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## P R E F A C E .

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**I**N issuing the present volume, the last which the late Sir James D. Marwick has been destined to undertake for the Scottish Burgh Records Society, it may be recalled that the first volume of the Society's publications appeared in 1868, just forty years ago. Sir James, founder of the Society, has all along acted as its Secretary and has edited nearly all its publications. Of the twelve prominent men who formed the original committee of the Society, he was for some years the sole survivor, and indeed the roll of members at the present time contains only two or three names out of nearly two hundred embraced in the list of 1868. The first volume relating to Glasgow appeared in 1876, since which time the issue of other six volumes, including the present one, has brought down the publication of the city's charters and records from the earliest date till the year 1717. In one capacity or another I have had the great privilege of being associated with Sir James in the work of the Society since its formation, and having been specially conjoined with him in the preparation of this volume, the loss of my revered friend, the memory of whose unfailing kindness to myself must ever remain with me a treasured possession, has laid on me the duty of completing the book, and also of making a few prefatory observations.

During the twenty-seven years over which the following

extracts extend, the Union of 1707 and the Rebellion of eight years later were events which, on account of the commotion they caused at the time, and the substantial and permanent results of the former movement, overshadow in their importance most of the other public transactions of the period. On both occasions excitement in Glasgow reached a high pitch, though as the feeling towards the Union was not accompanied by the alarm and martial enthusiasm aroused by the Jacobite rising, the former subject does not bulk largely in the Records. The Rebellion was speedily subdued, but after the immediate danger passed away the trouble brought upon the citizens was not at an end, as the heavy extra expenditure had to be met and financial arrangements made with the view of rehabilitating an exhausted treasury.

While one section of the community of Glasgow, including a majority of those who ruled municipal affairs, were at least passively favourable to the Union, the main body of the people, with the city ministers on their side, regarded it as dangerous alike to civil liberty and religion, and the more violent of their number expressed their displeasure by attacking the persons and property of all who were thought to be in any way implicated in its promotion. Under "rules for keeping the peace," adopted by the town council on 18th November, 1706 (pp. 399-402), and measures taken by the authorities in Edinburgh, the turbulent people seem to have been effectively dealt with and further disorder was promptly suppressed. Divided opinion, however, still prevailed not only in the city,

but also in the assemblies to which representatives were sent. At the convention of burghs in Edinburgh, the provost of Glasgow voted in the minority when that body resolved to petition against the Union, and Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, the city's commissioner to parliament, voted in the minority on the other side when the act of Union was passed. It had been arranged that the first representatives from Scotland to the British Parliament should be chosen by the Estates from their own number, and among the fifteen representatives for the burghs was included Hugh Montgomerie, the only one of the fifteen who had opposed the Union.

To the Scottish Parliament Glasgow had been entitled to send a commissioner of its own, but for the purpose of choosing a representative to the Parliament at Westminster it was now grouped with other three burghs, Rutherglen, Renfrew, and Dumbarton. Delegates of these burghs were appointed to meet at Glasgow on 26th May, 1708 (pp. 425-7) for the election of "ane commissioner to represent the said four burghs in the Parliament of Great Britain, to be holden at Westminster." The choice fell on Robert Rodger, provost of Glasgow, and he was succeeded, two years later, by Thomas Smith, dean of guild of the city. Assiduous attention to public duty impaired the fortune if not the health of the latter member, who died at London in January, 1716. According to a representation by his widow, "in a manner he sequestrat himself to publick business and laid assyde his privat affairs for the service of his countrey and more particularly of this city," and this devoted

attention to "matters of publick concern was cause of great loss to his privat business, whereby it dwindled to nothing and he became very much decayed in his estate" (p. 597). Some four months before his death "Mr. Smith, member of Parliament for the city," had been entrusted by the town council with the presentation to the Princess of Wales (afterwards Queen Caroline) of "a swatch of plaids as the manufactory peculiar only to this place, for keeping the place in her Highness remembrance, and which might contribute to the advantage thereof and to the advancement of the credite of that manufactory." Telling the town council of the gracious acceptance of the present, and how the Princess "was extremely pleased with the complement and said a great many kind things of the city of Glasgow," Smith adds "I had the honour to kiss her hand, and when I was going out of her closett she said: pray, Mr. Smith, forgett not to return my hearty thanks to the magistrats of Glasgow for their fyne present" (pp. 537, 542).

Thirty members for the shires and fifteen for the burghs were allotted to Scotland under the act of Union. As proprietors of the lands and barony of Provan, Glasgow had a vote along with the other freeholders in the election of the member for Lanarkshire, though on one occasion the delegate from the town council was not allowed to exercise that privilege (p. 511). The measures taken by the magistrates and council in maintaining their rights appear to have satisfied the authorities, as at next election the dean of guild, "in name of the burgh of Glasgow for their lands of Provan and others," was appointed to attend

and vote with the barons and freeholders in the usual manner (p. 531).

For preserving an equality of trade throughout the United Kingdom the articles of Union provided for the payment to this country of a large sum of money called the Equivalent, out of which provision was made for the restitution of the money lost in the Darien scheme. Glasgow had subscribed for stock to the amount of £3,000 sterling (page 194) of which more than the half had been paid up. The extracts contain many references to this investment from the time it was eagerly agreed to till the day when "they received the sad and lamentable news of there collonie of Caledonia in America, its being assaulted and taken by the Spaniards" (p. 304). Defoe, who was then in Scotland, narrates some incidents connected with the arrival of the "Equivalent" money in Edinburgh in the month of August, 1707, and mentions that it was brought from London in twelve wagons, guarded by a party of Scots dragoons, and was carried to the castle amid the denunciations of the discontented populace.<sup>1</sup> On 30th August the provost of Glasgow was authorised to proceed to Edinburgh to receive the city's share, and on 16th September he reported that he had safely brought home £2,114 15s. 7½d. sterling, and "had placed the samen, by subdivisions, in several houses"<sup>2</sup> (p. 408). Banks were not as yet established in Glasgow, but the money was

<sup>1</sup> Chambers' Domestic Annals, III., p. 328.

<sup>2</sup> On 26th September, James Littlejohn, carrier, was paid £20 Scots "for bringing

home from Edinburgh the touns part of the African money" (p. 413).

not long at the town treasurer's command, as it had been made up of borrowed money which now fell to be distributed among the creditors.

Glasgow has generally been distinguished for its loyalty to the reigning sovereign, and when the peculiar experience of the period is kept in mind, one may appreciate the abruptness of the change implied in sending an address of welcome to "his royall highness the Prince of Orange," three months after the town council had issued a proclamation for celebrating the birthday of King James, who had fled the country in the interval. That the new order of things was regarded with approval is shown by the frequent references in the Records to the "late happy Revolution," as well as by the cordiality of the addresses sent from time to time by the town council to King William and Queen Mary, Queen Anne, and King George, while a note of personal attachment may be traced in the decoration of the council hall with their portraits as they successively occupied the throne. In anticipation of the opening of the succession to the Hanoverian line of kings, and on the rumour of an intended visit to England of the prince who afterwards became George II., the magistrates and council of Glasgow, "deeply sensible how much the security of the Protestant religion next after her majesty our gracious Queen Anne, whom God long preserve, depends upon that illustrious family of Hanover," sent him a congratulatory address, at the same time begging "leave that we may be allowed now, upon your first coming to Brittain, to ingross in our records the name of the high and mighty

electoral Prince George Augustus, Duke of Cambridge and first peer in Britain, son to the most serene George Lewis, Elector Prince and Duke of Hannover, and as a noble patriot intitled to all the freedoms and priviledgis of this city" (p. 522). The young Prince did not at that time visit his future kingdom, and both address and burgess ticket were forwarded to him at Hanover, whence he returned a gracious acknowledgment written in French (pp. 522-3). By this time, four months after the date of the address, Queen Anne had died; and the magistrates and council concluded their rejoinder to the prince (23rd August, 1714) with the prayer "May God long preserve our Sovereign Lord King George and your Royal Highness, and may this Island soon be made happy with his and your safe arrivall" (p. 524).

In consequence of rumours of invasion being afloat towards the end of the following summer the magistrates voluntarily offered to raise and equip a regiment of 500 men for defence of the kingdom. This offer, graciously received by the King and declined as superfluous in August, was thankfully accepted in October, whereupon the Glasgow contingent marched to Stirling and joined the army under command of the Duke of Argyll (pp. 537-46). The records, including a detailed "accompt of the extraordinary charge and expenses upon the present troubles and rebellion," afford full particulars of the proceedings taken for defence of the city, fortifications, procuring arms and ammunition, watching and keeping guard, sending messengers for intelligence, and carting baggage and forage to the army. A large number



of prisoners were detained in the castle of Glasgow, and the magistrates were entrusted with their custody and maintenance till 25th June, 1716, when the last of them were liberated.

The extra expenditure incurred by the city in connection with the Rebellion, amounting to about £20,000 Scots (p. 632) was one of the grounds on which Parliament extended till the year 1738 the impost on ale and beer, granted originally in 1693 and renewed in 1705. Besides it was provided that out of the monies raised under the act the magistrates should pay the expense of building a quay, above the Broomielaw and opposite the Old Green, for improvement of the navigation of the River Clyde (pp. 677-9). M'Ure gives a contemporaneous account of the construction of the new quay, stating that there was not such another fresh water harbour to be seen in Britain "and it is so large that a regiment of horse may be exercised thereupon." The ale and beer impost which, by a series of subsequent acts of Parliament, was continued for another hundred years, produced a substantial revenue, over £16,000 Scots being realised from it in the year 1713-4. Direct taxation was resorted to in raising the city's proportion of the national cess or land tax. Some of the inhabitants complained of being taxed to provide money which they considered should come out of the common good, but the ordinary revenue occasionally required to be supplemented from other sources to make ends meet, the expenditure side of the account being charged not only with current needs but being likewise heavily burdened with interest on borrowed money (pp. 341-4). Cess was imposed partly on the annual

value of heritages and partly on income derived from trade, and seeing that the quota payable by a burgh varied with its prosperity or decay, it is satisfactory to note that any changes made on Glasgow's share was almost always on an increasing scale. The convention of Burghs was entrusted with the apportionment among the burghs of the shares payable by each, and augmentations imposed in 1711 on Glasgow and a few other burghs were judged oppressive and illegal, and the aggrieved burghs appealed to the "parliament of Great Britain" for redress (p. 461, *et seq.*). One important outcome of this appeal was the making up, as directed by parliament, of a valuation of the real rent of all heritages within the respective burghs. According to the valuation compiled for Glasgow the rent of the lands, tenements, mills, and other heritages within the burgh boundaries for the year 1712 amounted to £8,908 sterling<sup>1</sup> (pp. 477-9). Twenty years previously it had been stated in a report on the condition of the burgh that by the decay of trade nearly five hundred houses were unoccupied, and that the inhabited dwellings had been reduced nearly a third in rent, about eight of them realising of yearly rent £100 Scots (£8 6s. 8d. sterling), and the remainder being let at lower sums down to £4 Scots.<sup>2</sup> By the time the valuation of 1712 was taken it is probable not only that the formerly vacant houses had been

<sup>1</sup> From this rental there had been omitted valuations of the "sugaries," ropeworks, soapworks, and glassworks, as these comparatively new manufactories were in the proprietors' own hands and had never hitherto been subjected to pay cess; and after the

rental had been given in the magistrates and council directed a supplementary valuation to be taken, but the result does not appear in the records (p. 481).

<sup>2</sup> Scottish Burgh Records Miscellany, p. 72.

occupied but that new ones had been erected, as the population had risen from 11,948 in 1688 and 12,766 in 1708 to 13,832 in 1712.

Broomielaw harbour, notwithstanding its magnificence in the eyes of Glasgow's earliest historian, can scarcely in his day have possessed or required much accommodation for sailing craft. The boats capable of crossing Dumbuck ford and getting farther up the shallow stream were of small dimensions and nearly another half century had elapsed before an appreciable difference had been made by the deepening operations carried out by the engineers employed in 1755 and subsequently. Goods for delivery at the Broomielaw by water had first to be transferred from larger vessels to small boats at places below the ford. Glasgow's "New Port" established at Newark was thus of supreme importance to city merchants and the development of its resources received the ever watchful attention of the town council. Greenock, a near neighbour, was anxious to procure a transfer of the custom house and temporarily succeeded but on Glasgow's urgent representation the custom house was re-established at Newport.<sup>1</sup>

Neither judicial deliverances nor past arrangements had altogether settled the rival claims of Glasgow and Dumbarton in the navigation of the river, but in the amiable endeavour to attain "lasting friendship" an agreement between these burghs was entered into in 1700 after negotiations about which the extracts now printed give interesting particulars. To these

<sup>1</sup> P. 115. See also Historical MSS. Commission Report: Earl of Mar (1904) p. 398.

particulars and to the other contents of the volume it is hoped that the Index will prove a sufficient guide.

In March, 1905, the Corporation of Glasgow, on the suggestion of Sir James Marwick, authorised the publication of the Charters and other constitutional Documents of the City, then printed to the year 1649, to be continued till the passing of the Burgh Reform Act. In accordance with that resolution a volume of Charters and other Documents, brought down to the Union of 1707, was issued in December, 1906. Sir James was of opinion that further continuation of the Charters, including local Acts of Parliament, might conveniently be combined with Extracts from the Records, and this view has been acted on towards the close of the present volume. If at any time the work of publication is resumed, both Charters and Records will accordingly start from the year 1717.

R. RENWICK.

GLASGOW, *July, 1908.*



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Page 70, line 5, for "Thomam," read "Thomas."

Page 453, line 9, for "Archbishop," read "Archibald."

Page 533, line 5, for "furrier," read "currier."

Page 554, line 13, for "October, 1716," read "October, 1715."



# EXTRACTS

FROM THE

## RECORDS OF THE BURGH OF GLASGOW.

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12 *January* 1691.

The baillies and counsell being conveened, anent the decreit arbitrall aftermentioned, produced be Sir John Maxwell of Nether Pollock, John Howstoune of that Ilk, younger, William Cunninghame of Craighs, and Lawrence Crawford of Jordanhill, be vertew of ane submission subscrivit be the magistrats for themselves and in name of the toune counsell of the said burgh, and be severall craftismen within the samen for themselves and utheris adhering to them, on the ane pairt, and be the visitor of maltmen, and John Mitchell, late visitor, and severall of the trades within the samen burgh, as haveing commission frae the deacones of crafts in the said burgh, adhering to them in the mater underwrittin, on the uther pairt, whilk is dated the nynth day of December 1690; whereby the saids parties submitt and referr themselves to the finall sentence, determination and decreit arbitrall to have bein given and pronounced be the said arbitratouris, anent their cognosceing, determining and amicable decydeing and agreeing of any difference, debate, question and contraversie that hath arisen betuixt the saids parties, anent ane act latelie made be the magistrats and toune counsell of the said burgh, whereby it is enacted that no person who is proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener shall keep ane taverne within the said burgh, dureing the tyme of their being in office; as also anent ane contest and debate that hath arisen thereupon betuixt the saids parties as to the

Decreit arbitral anent discharging Magistrats to brew or keep change.

pretended illegalitie of the election of the deacon conveener in the said burgh at Michaelmass last;<sup>1</sup> and whatever the saids judges and arbitratouris should cognosce, decyde and decerne to be done be aither of the saids parties to utheris anent the premissis, both the saids parties band and obleidged them to abyde therat, underly, observe, keep and fulfill the samen each of them to utheris, *hinc inde*, conforme to the decreit arbitrall to be pronounced upon the said submission, without any appellation, reclamation or againe calling whatsoever; and that under the penaltie of four thousand pundis Scots monie in caice of faillye, to be payed be the partie faillyier to the partie observer or willing to observe the samen by and attoure fulfilling therof; as the said submission of the date foresaid more fullie bearis. And the saids four judges arbitratouris haveing accepted of the said submission, and conforme therunto did meet at Glasgow the sixth day of Januarij, 1691 yearis, instant, and considered the contraverted points abovementioned in reference to the late election of the deacon conveener at Michaelmass last, and to the act of the tounne counsell of the said burgh they made restraining the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener of the samen burgh, in all tyme comeing, from keeping change or tavernes the tyme of their office bearing within the said burgh, in their respective offices above-specifeit, and they having at lenth heard both parties *hinc inde* in asserting the said election and act of counsell, and in contradicting and againesaying the samen, and finding after mature deliberation that the said election and act of counsell have bred and are like to continow discord and division in the said burgh between the magistrats and counsell and severall of the incorporations of the trades, speciallie in the most commodious way of defraying their publict burdens, the said arbiters, for composeing, sattleing and removeing of the saids differences, or any animosities that may arise thereon, have found, decerned and declaired, and by their decreitt arbitrall finds, decernes and declares that, notwithstanding of the election of John Gilchreist, deacon conveener at Michaelmass last, the magistrats and counsell ought to pass therefrae and lay him aside, and proceed to the election of one of the three persones, viz., John Woddrope, Patrick Maxwell and Walter Buchannan, who were

<sup>1</sup> See Vol. III., pp. 464-5, 467.

presented to them on lytt be the deacon conveyeneris house, according to the common custome, albeit the saids three persones are all inkeeperis and brewaris, notwithstanding of the foresaid act of counsell made against the samen, and ordained the said act of counsell to take no effect against the deacon conveyener and his successouris at noe tyme hereafter till first the magistrats and counsell or their successouris in office obtaine the samen found and declaired by decreitt of some supream court to have bein legallie and ordourlie made, conforme to the lawes of this kindome and set of the said burgh of Glasgow; to the whilk action swa to be intended the deacon conveyener for the tyme and haill deacones of crafts, and visitoris of incorporationes in the said burgh, shall be legallie called and conveyened; and decerned and ordained the parties submitteris to fulfill the foresaid decreit arbitrall *hinc inde* to utheris, under the paine and penaltie above-contained; as the said decreit arbitrall of the date the said sixth day of Januarij at more lenth makes mention. And the saids magistrats and counsell being most willing to goe alongst in performing the said decreit, they sent for Robert Allan deacon of cordoneris, John Mitchell visitor of maltmen, Alexander Maben deacon of wrights, James Findlay deacon of weiveris, Robert Buchanan deacon of baxteris, William Fultonne deacon of skinneris, John Bryce deacon of maissones, Thomas Nasmith deacon of bonnetmakeris, and Patrick Tennent visitor of gardeneris, who compeared, the rest of the deacones being warned bot were absent; and for making the merchands and trades in equall number for choiseing of ane of the saids three persons to be deacon conveyener of the said burgh till the nixt election, viz., John Woddrope, Patrick Maxwell and Walter Buchannan, there were added to the magistrats and counsell and utheris foresaid John Bryssone, John Andersone, William Wallace, Robert Gibsone, John Louke called Bristo, and John Peadie. merchands, and then the lytt of the saids three persones being put to the vott, be pluralitie of votts the said John Woddrope was elected and choisen John deacon conveyener of the said burgh for the year ensuing till the nixt Woddrope election, who being sent for came and accepted of the said office, and choisen gave his oath *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is. As also the deacon-conveyener. said John Woddrope, deacon conveyener, did take and swear the oath of allegiance to their Majesties King William and Queen Mary and sub-

scrivit the samen with his hand, as likewayes he subscrivit the certificat and assurance subjoyned to the late act of parliament.

Lindsay and  
M'Lerran  
doctoris in  
Gramer  
Schooll.

The saids baillies and counsell allowes and approves of Mr. Mungo Lindsay his being eldest doctor in the Gramer Schooll, and of Mr. John M'Lerran to be second doctor in the said schooll; and ordaines the present thesaurer of the said burgh and his successouris in office to pay them the like cellaries as their predicessouris gott, and that since Martinmass 1689 and in tyme comeing dureing their exerceing their saids offices as doctouris in the said schooll and the tounes continowing them therin.

Warrant,  
wright work,  
synod house,  
etc.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, late thesaurer, to pay to John Patersone, late baillie, the soume of threescore four pund four shilling six pennies for wright work in repairing the synod house and other work in the kirks and severall other places in the toune, and furnishing dailis and necessaris therto, and for mort chests to some persones, at command of the magistrats, since the fyftein day of September 1690, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed.

Warrant,  
tounes  
quarter-  
master.

Ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to pay to Richard Ronnald, the soum of fyve pounds sterling money, to ane accompt of what is due to him as being the tounes quartermaster for quattering of the souldiouris.

28 January 1691.

Accompt of  
seats in Outer  
High Kirk.

John Gray, cordoner, gave in and made his compt of the money he receaved for the seats in the Outer High Kirk frae the first day of September 1689 till the first of September last, wherof the charge extends to [£677 6s. 8d.], whereof he discharges himselfe with [£222] payed to Peter Corbet, and with [£66 13s. 4d.] payed to Mr. James Woddrow, and [£121] payed to Thomas Peter, when thesaurer, and quherwith he is to be charged, and there being threttein seats unset, extending to [£180], and of non-payments resting for seats, [£87 13s. 4d.], makes discharge extend to [£677 6s. 8d.], sua charge and discharge are both alike being compared, and therefor the saids magistrats and counsell exoneris and discharges the said John Gray of his intromission with the money of the said seats the year abovewritten.

Prisoners to  
Inverarray.

Ordaines the toune thesaurer, George Buchannan, to pay to Stephan Crawford the soume of twentie pundis Scots money for ane boatts fraught

he payed to John Burnet, skipper in Greenock, with the officeris and twentie four souldiouris that caried the two prisoners of the name of M'Laine to Inverarray, conforme to the proveists ordour.

9 February 1691.

In presence of the saids magistrats and counsell convened, com-Chamberland of Provan, and he being peared John Hamiltone, their chamberland of Provan, and he being desireous to know whether or not they would continow him in uplifting and collecting the rent of Provand, and what they wold allow him of cellarie for his paines in uplifting of byganes, since his last compt, and agree with him for collecting the samen in tyme comeing, in caice they shall think fitt to continow him their chamberland; it is concluded be the saids magistrats and counsell that the said John shall continow in uplifting their rent of Provand till Martimass nixt, for whilk they allow to the said John Hamiltone fortie pounds sterling for his paines and cellarie for what they are resting him for bygaine paines, and in satisfaction of what he is to have in collecting and uplifting the said rent the yearis 1688, 1689, 1690, and bygaines resting be the tennents till Martimass nixt, and in doeing dilligence against the tennents for the samen, to whilk he condescended and accepted of the said offer, and was content of the said allowance for his paines and dilligence in the said affaire, the said John be his acceptation heirop being allwayes obleist to make just compt, reckoning and payment to the toune, of his intromission with the said rent.

Appoints the baillies to cause warne the tennents of Provand to waite on them within the tolbooth of Glasgow, at what tyme the baillies shall think fitt, for makeing and strikeing the Provand <sup>fiar of</sup> ~~Provand~~ <sup>Provand</sup> the crompt 1690.

Ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to pay to James Brounlie, Counsell seat in Laigh Kirk, officer, eight pundis Scots money, for his paines in keeping the counsell seat in the Laigh Kirk, and passport door in the said kirk, since Lambmass, 1689.

16 March<sup>1</sup> 1691.

The saids baillies and counsell being convened, anent ane proposall

<sup>1</sup> Written "March," but perhaps February is the correct date, seeing the entry is placed

between 9th February and 3rd March.

List of ministeris to be presented to presbytree.

made to them be the kirk session of the said burgh, for presenting ane list to the presbytree of the fyve persones afternamed, viz., Mr. Alexander Haistie, Mr. Robert Young, Mr. John Colquhoun, Mr. William Kerr, and Mr. John Orr, to the effect that the presbytree may give their advyce to which of the saids fyve persones the magistrats and counsell shall give ane call, in ordour of his being sattled as ane of the ministeris here, the saids baillies and counsell, be pluralitie of votts, hes approvine and hereby approves of the said proposall and list, and ordaines the samen list to be presented to the said presbytree, to the effect foresaid, and hereby nominats and appoints baillie Aird, John Corse and John Patersone to goe to Rutherglen tomorrow, and there to attend the said presbytree, and present the samen list to the effect abovementioned.

3 *March* 1691.

Grein at New Vennell. Appoints the deacon conveyener and thesaurer to commune with Robert Boyd anent the Grein that lyes at the foot of the New Vennell.

6 *March* 1691. •

Convention of the burrowes. The magistrats and counsell commisionats John Andersone of Dowhill, present proveist, to meet and conveyin with the committie of the burrowes that wes nominat and appointed be the generall convention of burrowes in July last, whilk is to meet and conveyin at Edinburgh the tenth day of March instant, in ordour to the burghes of barronie and regaltie. And also nominats and appoints John Woddrope, deacon conveyener, to repair to Edinburgh against the said day to give his concurrence and assistance to the proveist at the said meeting of the burrowes.

6 *April* 1691.

Call to Mr. Haistie, minister. The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, and considering that the toune hes allreadie given ane call to the reverend Mr. Alexander Haistie, minister of the gospell at Torphichen, to come and accept to be ane of the ordinar ministeris of this burgh, whilk call is remitted to the presbytree of Linlithgow, who is to meet at Linlithgow on Wednesday the eight of this instant, they have nominat and appointed Robert Brock, present baillie, to repair to the said burgh of Linlithgow

the said day, with such as shall be appointed be the kirk session, and to prosecute the said call before the said presbytree, and use his endeavour for getting the said Mr. Alexander Haistie to accept of the said call to be ane of the tounes ministeris.

It being represented that there hes bein of late ane shipps loading of tobacco imported frae Liverpool be (*blank*), being ane stranger, whilk was bought be William Corse and Frederick Cuninghame and utheris, and disposed of by them without makeing ane tounes offer, as ought to have bein done conforme to the lawes of the kingdome and constitution of the royall burrowes, ordaines the buyeris to be cited before the counsell at the instance of the procuratour fiscall, to the effect they may be proceeded against for their transgression conforme to law. Buying tobacco from unfreemen.

Ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to have ane warrand for the soume of ane hundreth and fifty pundis Scots monie payed to livetennent William Duff, for the use of ane companie of souldiouris he had at Glasgow, for preventing ther takeing free quarteris frae the inhabitants, for whilk he hes given his band to the toune, which was sent to Edinburgh to the proveist for getting the samen allowed be the publict in ther cess or hearth money. Warrand, thesaurer, souldiouris.

The saids proveist, baillies and counsell, considering that there is allowed be the publict to the toune the soume of five thousand nyne hundreth and twelve pundis Scots, for the cornes eaten and destroyed be the English forces, when they lay at Glasgow in September, 1689, in and about the toune, and for what they were resting to the tounes people for meet, drink and utheris, conforme to their accompts therof, they nominat and appoint the deacon conveener, and baillie John Gibsone, to call for money frae the thesaurer, or any of the tounes collectouris that hes it, and to pay these persones in toune and Gorballis and utheris that had their cornes eaten and destroyed, and what is owing them otherwayes be the saids forces when they lay here, conforme to their respective interests, they defalking aff ilk person proportionallie, conforme to their soumes, what expenses the toune hes bein at in getting the said soume allowed. Money owing be the English forces.

Ordaines George Buchannan, tounes thesaurer, to have ane warrand for the sum of ane hundreth fiftie three pundis twelve shilling eight Warrand, thesaurer, criminal process against officers.

pennies, Scots monie, payed to James Hamiltone, wryter in Edinburgh, that he debursed in raiseing the criminall process at the instance of Elizabeth Cochrane, relict of the deceast John Reid, wright, and their children, against Capitane Bryce and utheris officeris in Sir James Leslies regiment and their servants for killing of the said John Reid, and in prosecuting the said persute before the lords of justiciarie, conforme to the particular accompt therof given in and allowed.

Entrie at the  
Spoutmouth.

Nominats and appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveyener, and whom utheris they shall think fit to take with them, to sight the entrie at the spout in Gallowgate whilk is to narrow and may prove prejudiciall to the toune if the samen be not enlarged, and to take the most fittest and propper way they can how the samen can be helped and made broader.

New and  
Back Wynd.

It is concluded be the magistrats and counsell that the New Wynd and Back Wynd be calsiad of new, and that the toune pay the one halfe of the expenses and the heretouris the other halfe, conforme to their respective interests they have in the saids wynds.

Agreement  
anent ground  
where tounes  
people washes  
on at Dowhill.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, and takeing to their consideration that, these many yearis bypast, the toune and inhabitants therof hes bein in use and possession of ane peice ground in Dowhill, at the foot of the New Vennell, for washing and drying of ther cloathes, for whilk they payed yearlie to Robert Boyd, maltman, tackisman of the saids lands, nyne firlots beir, conforme to the Gorbail fiar; and the said Robert Boyd haveing now tacken a new tack of the saids lands of Dowhill, for the space of ellevin yearis, he refuses to allow the toune the libertie for the inhabitants to wash or dry their cloathes upon the said peice ground, in respect people puts on their horses and kyne upon the said washing place for eating the grass therof, and thereby eats and destroyes his cornes that growes upon the rest of the saids lands, unlesse they allow him the benefite of the grass therof to himselfe, on the condition following; whilk also being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they hereby grant libertie and allowance to the said Robert Boyd, dureing the tyme of the said tack, to have the benefite of the said grass on the washing place and to eat the samen with his bestiall, he doeing the samen on the Sabbath day, or at such other tymes when the inhabitants shall not be impeded in their



washing thereby; for the whilk and the grass of St. Ninians kirk yeard without the Gallowgate port, whilk the said Robert is also to possess dureing the tyme of the said tack, he is to defalk to the toune ane boll beir of the said nyne firlots yearlie, swa they are onlie to pay him fyve firlots beir yearlie in tyme comeing conforme to the Gorball fiar, and therefor the saids proveist, baillies and counsell ordaines the toune thesaurer and his successouris in office, thesaureris of the said burgh, to pay yearlie to the said Robert Boyd the said fyve firlots beir yearlie, conforme to the above writtin fiar.

13 April 1691.

The magistrats and counsell being conveyened and takeing to their consideration that the presbytree of Linlithgow hes allowed the reverend <sup>Mr. Haistie, minister.</sup> Mr. Alexander Haistie, minister at Torphichen, to accept of the call given him to be ane of the tounes ordinary ministeris in this burgh, and that he shall be pleased to transport himselfe to Glasgow, it is concluded that the proveist wryte ane letter to the said Mr. Alexander Haistie, to desire him, when his convenience will allow him, to transporte himselfe here, that he may be pleased to acquaint the toune therof.

Nominats and appoints the proveist to repair to Edinburgh to attend <sup>Late tounes ministeris.</sup> the councill, for defending the toune anent what Mr. Mylne and Mr. Kinneir, and utheris that were the tounes ministeris, are craveing aff the toune, and if the privie councill shall allow the same that the proveist (if he think fit) cause suspend them.

The proveist made report of the dilligence done against the persones <sup>Money borrowed the time of Argyllis invasion.</sup> that borrowed money frae the toune the tyme of the late earle of Argyllis invasion, and particularlie that he had caused charge the earle of Strathmore and the laird of Egle with horning for the soume resting be them since that tyme; wherupon the said earle hes writtin ane letter for ane delay till Martimass nixt, they have appointed the proveist to wryte and answer therto that the tounes straits cannot allow ane delay, bot that they are content if he can procure ane receipt to the toune frae the generall receaver of what they rest to the publict, equivalent to the said soume, they shall discharge him of the band and horning.

Appoints the dean of gild to admitt and receive the reverend <sup>Mr. Patrik Sympson, burges and gild brother.</sup> Mr. Mr. Patrik Sympson, burges and gild brother.

Patrick Sympsone, minister of the gospell at Renfrew, burges and gild-brother of this burgh, as he who married Jonnet Peadie, lauffull daughter to umquhile James Peadie, merchand, burges and gild brother of the said burgh, notwithstanding she was married to ane former husband, in respect any children she had of that mariage are now deceased and had no benefite thereby, and to remitt his fynes to him and hold the samen as payed, they being bot small.

Marcus  
Marshall ap-  
pointed  
church war-  
den.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened anent the petition given in to them be Marcus Marshall, merchand, warden of the church yeard, makeing mention that the tyme of his admission to the said office the dean of gild ordained him to take inspection of the burges tickets of such as should be allowed to put in through stones on their buriall places, and to see that the samen were put right upon the respective buriall places belonging to them, and for the said Marcus his paines he was ordained to exact fourtein shilling Scots for each person that should lay in a through ston in the said yeard; whilk petition being taken to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, they allow and approve of the samen, and hereby gives power and warrand to the said Marcus Marshall to exact and uplift frae each person that shall lay in ane through ston in the said kirk yeard, for his paines on the accompt foresaid, the said soume of fourtein shilling money foresaid.

18 *April* 1691.

Warrand,  
ministeris  
stipends.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, late thesaurer, to have ane warrand for the soume of three hundreth pundis Scots payed to Mr. Robert Craighead and Mr. Thomas Kennedie, ministeris, conforme to their receipts dated the twentie sevinth day of December, 1689; and for three hundreth pundis money foresaid payed be him to Mr. Robert Landes, in pairt payment of what the toune was resting to him for his stipend preceeding Whitsunday, 1690, conforme to his receipt dated the fyftein day of August, 1690; and likewayes for the soume of six hundreth and threttie pundis money payed be him to the said Mr. Thomas Kennedie, in compleit payment of his stipend due be the toune to him preceeding Whitsunday, 1690, conforme to his discharge dated the thrid day of August, 1690; and for the soume of three hundreth pundis Scots payed be him to Mr.

Neill Gilleis to ane accompt of his stipend as ane of the tounes ministeris since his entrie, conforme to his receipt dated the twentie sevint day of August, 1690; and also for the soume of three hundreth pundis payed be him to Mr. James Woddrow, ane uther of the tounes ministeris, in pairt payment of his stipend for the year 1689, by receipt dated the fourtein day of August, 1690; and siclike for the soume of other three hundreth pundis Scots payed to Mr. James Broune, in pairt payment of his stipend as ane of the tounes ministeris the year 1689, by his receipts daited the twelth day of August, 1690; whilk receipts are given in be the said Thomas Peter to baillie Napeir, and are sent east to Edinburgh to the proveist.

*25 April 1691.*

Nominats and appoints the proveist, dean of gild, and deacon con-  
veener, to meet with the principall of the College of Glasgow, and to  
take tryall of the state and condition of St. Nicolas Hospitall, and what  
persones are placed therin, both as to Bishop Lightounes mortification  
and conforme to the old foundation, and how the meanes belonging therto  
is disposed off.

The proveist made report that he, with consent of lawieris, had met  
with his grace my lord duke of Hamilton anent selling to his grace  
the lands of Provand belonging to the toune, for the whilk my lord duke  
has offered to the toune the soume of ane hundreth thousand merks,  
payable at Whitsunday nixt, on these termes, that the toune will quat  
to him the rests due be the tennents thereof preceeding the year 1690, least  
the lands may be casten waste in caise the toune have the power to persew  
them therefor, or then that the toune shall quat two thousand fyve  
hundreth merks of the said soume offered by his grace in the first end  
of the pryce of the saids lands; whilk being tacken to the saids proveist,  
baillies and counsell their consideration, and after tryall tacken be the  
toune anent what the toune may expect for the said rests whilk is  
supposed to be bot small, it is concluded that the saids lands of Provand  
be sold to my lord duke his grace at the rate foresaid, and they shall  
aither defalk to him the said two thousand fyve hundreth merks aff the  
pryce of the samen or then allow him what is resting be the tennents  
preceeding the year 1690 as he shall think fit; and recommending (if it

St. Nicolas  
Hospitall.

Meeting with  
Duke Hamil-  
tone anent  
selling to him  
the lands of  
Provand.

be necessar) to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to conveyin their respective houses, at least these who are appointed be them allreadie concerning the said bargane, and to take their advyce anent the premissis; and in the mean tyme to send in the paperis and securities of the lands of Provand, to be sein at Edinburgh by lawieris that the securitie in favouris of my lord duke may be drawen up accordinglie, and that my lord is to have right to the rent for the year 1691, and swa thereby his entrie to the lands is to be frae Martimass last, he allwayes paying the pryce at Whitsounday nixt; and in respect there is ane minute of agreement drawen up betuixt the toune and William Govane of Drum-whasle anent the saids lands, it is concluded that the said William Govane be dealt with to quat the said bargaine on such conditiones as he and they can agree, or then the toune is not to bargaine with his grace in caice William Govane refuse to pass frae his minute.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
debursed to  
advocats, etc.

Ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to pay to the proveist [£139 2s.] Scots money that he debursed at Edinburgh to advocats and their servants at severall consultationes and utheris in defending the toune against Mr. Inglis, Mr. Mylne and Mr. Alexander George, as to the stipends they are craveing frae the toune, and for wryteing severall informationes and other papers anent these and utheris the tounes business, and for the said proveist his oune charges and expenses the space of ten dayes in attending the said affaires at four pund per day, and for his horse meat the said tyme.

John Sproull,  
wryter.

Appoints the dean of gild, deacon conveener, and John Leckie to meet with John Sproull, wryter, and to comone with him anent what pretence he hes against the toune, and to report.

Warrand,  
burghes of  
barronie and  
regalite.

Ordaines the toune thesaurer to pay to the deacon conveener and James Walkinshaw [£60 16s.] Scots for their charges and horse hyres in goeing to Edinburgh, being for the space of eight dayes in attending the committie of burrowes, being employed be the toune in relation to the affaire betuixt the royall burrowes and burghes of barronie and regalitie.

Fall of Robert  
Fairlies  
house.

Anent the petition given in be Robert Fairlie, cordoner, craveing some allowance for the loss he sustained by the fall of ane gavell of ane house of his on the north side of the Old Vennell, whilk is said to be

occasioned through the springs of the tounes well ther, the magistrats and counsell referrs the samen to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to be considered by them, and to try what will satisfie the said Robert Fairlie for the loss he sayes he has sustained on the accompt of the tounes well, and to report to the counsell.

The proveist, bailies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened anent the supplication given in to them be Jonnet How, relict of umquhill Robert Park, wryter in Paisley, daughter laifull to umquhill John How, <sup>Parks bairnes to be admitted burges and gild.</sup> merchand, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, makeing mention that her said umquhill husband did omitt to make himselfe burges and gildbrother of the said burgh, be vertew of the said Jonnet her right, haveing died suddenlie in ane high fever, humblie therefore supplicating that the saids magistrats and counsell will allow her and the children procreat betuixt her and the said Robert Park to have the benefite of their burges and gildbrothership of the said burgh as if their said father had bein entered. Whilk being tacken to their consideration they have given and granted and hereby gives and grants to the said children, procreat as said is, the libertie and freedome to be burges and gildbreither of the said burgh, as if their father had been entered; and appoints the dean of gild of the samen and his successouris in office to admitt them accordingly, they not onlie paying for their fatheris dewes, whilk he would have been lyable for at his admission, bot for their ounne likewayes.

Anent the supplication given in be Mathew Wilsone, gardiner, <sup>Wilsone to be made burges and gild-brother.</sup> mentioning that umquhill Patrick Wilsone, gardiner, your petitioneris guideschir, was burges and gildbrother of the said burgh, and that his sone Patrick Wilsone, the supplicant's father, died suddenlie without admitting himselfe burges and gildbrother by vertew of his fatheris right when your petitioner was ane chyld, whereby he is prejudged of the benefite therof in entering as ane burges and gildbrother, therefor humblie supplicating the saids proveist, baillies and counsell to take his case to consideration (being bot mean and poor), and to indulge him the benefite to be ane burges and gildbrother as if his umquhill father had entered, they have allowed him the benefite to be ane burges and gildbrother be vertew of his fatheris right, notwithstanding of his fatheris neglect to enter himselfe, and appoints the dean of gild and his successouris

to admit and receive him accordingly, he paying for his oun dewes and what his father would bein obleist to pay if he had entered.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
calsey laying.

Ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Leitch, younger, calsier, the soume of ane hundreth twentie four pund Scots for threttie ane rood of calsy laying in Trongate, at four pund per rood, the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> eightie fyve, when James Peadie was master of wark, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed, as the samen was agreed upon be George Johnstoune, when he was dean of gild, and the said Robert Leitch.

27 April 1691.

Proclamation  
dischargeing  
any packing  
or peilling  
with unfree-  
men.

Appoints the act of counsell relateing to the dischargeing of the inhabitants to have ane comerce to trade in prejudice of this or any of the royall burrowes with these who are not burgesses and freemen of this or some royall burrow, that the samen may be intimat to the merchands and crafts houses, and in the meantyme appoints ane proclamation to be sent through the toune, relateing to the late act of parliament and act of counsell, to use ane trade or pack or peill with any unfreemen, under the paines and penalties therincontained, and that all shippes comeing into the river of Clyd shall load and liver at Newport Glasgow, under the paines contained in the said act of parliament.<sup>1</sup>

Tounes com-  
mone, and  
tounes loch.

Nominats and appoints the baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, master of work, and whom otheris they please to take with them, to take ane sight of the tounes commone and to regulat what wrongs they find there, and to take inspection of the tounes commone loch, whether or not they shall find it advantagious for the toune to draine the same, and to report.

Dean of gild  
and Mr. James  
Drummond,  
minister.

Nominats and appoints the dean of gild, Mathew Cuming, elder, George Buchannan and Gavine Wood, to meet with Mr. James Drummond, minister, and to see what will satisfie him for his preaching here in toune the tyme the toune wanted ministeris, by and attoure what he hes gottine allreadie, and to report.

South meet-  
ing house.

It is agreed and concluded that the timber, daillis, ston, and uther materiallis that are in the South Meeting House be tacken doune and

<sup>1</sup> Act of Parliament 1690, c. 15. Abstract of Act, Glasg. Chart., II., p. 401.

caried to Hutchesones Hospitall, to lye therè till the toune think fit to dispose therupon, the barnes wherupon the samen was builded being alwayes left in alsè good ane condition as they were in before the said meeting house was builded; and appoints Mathew Cuming, elder, George Nisbit and the master of work to see the samen done, bot, before anything be taken doune or disposed of relating therto, they are to speake to such persones who are appointed by these who contribute for building the said meeting house to dispose on the saids materiallis and utheris, and to take their advyce if they will consent that the samen shall be made use of for building ane isle to the Tron Church.

The magistrats and counsell takeing to their consideration the great need and necessitie for inlargeing the entrie to the Spout in case of <sup>Spoutmouth</sup> ~~to be en-~~ <sup>larged.</sup> accidentall fyre (as God forbid), and that the inhabitants may be served otherwayes in bringing water frae the samen for the use of their families, it is concluded that the house ther belonging to umquhill Mathew Aitkines aires be bought, to the effect ane pairt therof be made use of for that end, and appoints the dean of gild to meet with the representatives of the said umquhill Mathew and trye if he can buy the land frae them and they give ane right therto, utherwayes that some method be tacken aither by chargeing them with horning that the same may be adjudged, conforme to the act of parliament, or else what shall be thought fit to doe theranent.

9 May 1691.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to their consideration that they have gottine severall solistationes and letteres frae severall persones of <sup>Mr. Alex-</sup> ~~ander Mylne,~~ <sup>minister.</sup> qualitie who are the tounes freinds, that the toune may grant and allow some gratuitie to Mr. Alexander Mylne, who hes these twentie (*blank*) yearis exerced the office of the ministrie in the said burgh as ane of the tounes ordinar ministeris, they therefor allow him to have the soume of ane thousand merks payed him on the said accompt, he allwayes dischargeing the toune of all he can crave of them of stipend dureing the haille tyme of his being minister in toune, and of all action he can pretend against the toune for any stipend preceeding the date heirof, and ordaines George Buchannan, thesaurer, to pay the said ane thousand

merks to the said Mr. Alexander, he giveing discharge on the termes foresaid.

Act anent the  
incorporation  
of chirurgianes.

There was ane supplication given in to the magistrats and counsell be the chirurgianes of this burgh and deacones of crafts, for themselves and as representing the haill incorporation of crafts within the samen burgh, craveing the saids magistrats and counsell to allow and approve of ane act made be the said incorporation of chirurgianes dated twentie fyfth day of March j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> sevintie nyne yearis, and that they would rescind ane act granted be the magistrats and counsell of the said burgh for the tyme, in favouris of Mr. Henrie Marshall, dated the twentie thrid day of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> sevintie nyne yeiris, whilk petition was read, allowed and approvine, and the clerke ordained to extend the samen and insert the samen in the principall counsell book, and to give out ane extract therof under his hand, whilk is declared to be also sufficient as if the saids magistrats and counsell had subscryved the samen themselves, quherof the tennor followes: — Att Glasgow the nynth day of Maij j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie ane yearis, the whilk day the proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyened anent the supplication given in to them be the chirurgianes of this burgh and deacones of crafts, for themselves and as representing the haill incorporation of crafts within the samen burgh, makeing mention that where they have bein united with the said incorporation of trades, according to ane gift granted to them be King James the Sixth of the date the penult day of November j<sup>m</sup> v<sup>c</sup> nyntie nyne yeiris, be vertew wherof they were impowered to make acts for the weill and behove of their said incorporation, according to which they did make ane act for the weill and profite of the said incorporation, dated the twenty fyfth day of March j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> sevintie nyne yearis, makeing mention that where the memberis of the said facultie present, takeing to their serious considerationes the prejudice that may arise through their promiscuous admission of strangeris to practise chyrurgerie and pharmacie within the city of Glasgow, and that be their gift from King James of blessed memory and ratification therof, they are impowered to make statutes for the commone weill of the leidges anent the saids arts, have for preventing therof for the future statute and ordained; likeas they thereby unanimouslie statuted and ordained



that nae person or persones whatsoever shall in any tyme comeing be admitted to practize either of the saids arts of chirurgerie and pharmacie, within the city of Glasgow, bot such as aither have served their prenteship with ane freeman or member of the facultie for the tyme for the space of fyve yearis, conforme to indentouris *in communi forma*, and have conforme therto receaved from his master meat, drink and bedding, within his house, the said space, or otherwayes be ane freemans sone, or married to ane freemans daughter, with the qualificationes allwayes suteable and necessar for either of the saids arts, with this provision allwayes, that it shall be in the power of the magistrats of Glasgow for the tyme (in caice of deficiencie of qualified persones, chirurgianes, in the place) to call ane or mae weill experienced in the saids arts to recide in the city, the intrants in that caice being allwayes subject to the tryall of the facultie for their qualificationes, and paying their freedome fynes for the maintenance of their poor, according to their acts and statutes. In witnes of the whilk presents, the foresaid act is subscrivit with the hands of the memberis of the said facultie, at day, year and place foresaid. *Sic subscribitur*: Ro. Houstoun, John Hall, Alexr. Tran, Lod. Lindsay, Ja. Weir, David Sharpe, John Robertstone, Charles Mowat, To. Smyth, J. Hall, John Roberstone, Wm. Stirling, nottar, for Ever M'Neill. This is the just double of the act extracted furth of the chirurgianes court book by me, *sic subscribitur*: Adam Wilsone, clerk. The extract of which act was produced to the saids magistrats and counsell, which act haveing bein desired be the magistrats and counsell for the tyme to have bein confirmed, ratified and approvine be their act of counsell, whilk was refused and absolutelie denyed to the said incorporation of chirurgianes, without giveing them any reason therfor, bot instead therof did maliciouslie adhere to ane supplication put in be Mr. Henrie Marshall, whereby he desired to be priviledged to set up and practise their arts over their bellies and without their consent; which supplication of his so soone as it was presented was granted him by ane act of the magistrats and toune counsell for the tyme, wherof the tennor followes:—*Apud Glasgow vigesimo tertio die mensis Septembris j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> septuagesimo nono.* [Here follows act printed in Glasgow Records, vol. iii., pp. 272-4.] The granting wherof hes ruined the wholl incorporation of chirurgianes

to this day, and whereby they were necessitat ever since, to seperat themselves from the rest of the incorporaciones of trades, so that the said haill incorporation of trades hes found the prejudice and loss of haveing a particular calling disjoyned from them and hes sustained a considerable loss in the mantenance of their wholl poor, which haveing now bein presented to the incorporation of trades, they all of them find themselves singularlie prejudged by the want of the said incorporation of chirurgianes, whatever was the pretensiones for granting the said act of counsell to the said Mr. Henrie Marshall, the extract wherof was also produced. And if any should object that it hes not bein customarie to rescind acts of counsell by ane subsequent counsell, it is offered to be made appear to be ordinarily practised, as in the case of John Johnstoune, wright, who had receaved ane act of counsell for upsetting over the bellie of that trade, was rescinded, cassit and annulled be the nixt counsell, as if there had not been any such act, dated fourtein day of February j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fiftie sevin yeiris, as the samen likewayes proports,<sup>1</sup> craveing therefor the saids magistrats and counsell to restore the foresaid incorporation of chirurgianes to their former priviledges and liberties, in ratifieing, approveing and confirming to them, and their successouris, their said particular act by their act of counsell, and likewayes to rescind and annull that act granted be their predicessouris to the said Mr. Henrie Marshall, whilk hes bein usewall and practicable when any such act hes bein made that was prejudiciall to the trades; and particularlie be ane act whilk was granted in favouris of umquhill John Johnstone, wright, quhich thereafter was by them rescinded by ane posterior dated the fourtein day of Februarij j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fiftie sevin years, likewayes produced; all which being the humble petition not only of the chirurgianes, bot of the haill incorporation of trades, will be the mean to unite the said incorporation of chirurgianes, that so in all tyme comeing they may live in love and peace with the rest of the incorporaciones of trades. Whilk being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, with the gift granted to the petitioneris be King James the Sixth of the date foresaid, whereby they are impowered to make acts for the weill and behove of their incorporation, with the

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Rec., II., p. 356.

act of the said calling made be them be vertew of the samen for the weill and profite therof, as also the said act rescinding ane former act granted to umquhill John Johnstoune, and the particular loss and prejudice the haill incorporation of the trades of this burgh have sustained and sustaines be the incorporation of chirurgianes their seperating and disjoyning themselves frae the rest of the trades, whilk was occasioned through the said act of the toune counsell granted in favouris of the said Mr. Henrie Marshall, and being weill and rypelie advised theranent, and after mature advice and deliberation had be them concerning the premissis, they find the desire of the said petition most just and reasonable; and therefor the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, for them and their successouris in office, have not onlie ratified and approvine of the said act made be the saids petitioneris for the weill and profite of the said incorporation, dated the said twentie fyfth day of March j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> sevintie nyne yearis, bot likewayes rescinds and annulls the said act of the magistrats and toune counsell granted in favouris of the said Mr. Henrie Marshall, dated the twentie thrid day of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> sevintie nyne yearis, and declares the samen to be null and of no availl, force nor effect, as if the samen had never bein made nor granted; and yet, notwithstanding, the saids magistrats and counsell refers the said Mr. Henrie Marshall to the said incorporation of chirurgianes, and earnestlie desires them to use him civillie and discreetlie; and ordaines the clerk to give out extracts heirop under his hand, whilk is hereby declaired shall be also sufficient as if the saids magistrats and counsell had subscrivit the samen themselves.

15 May 1691.

The magistrats and counsell statute, inact and ordaine that whatever persone of the toune counsell shall neglect to meet in the toune counsell house punctuallie at such tymes as they shall be warned for that effect, that they pay ane rex daller *toties quoties* they shall neglect to keep the hour and tyme to which they shall be warned to meet, to be given to the poor.

Ane chartor of few ferme subscrivit in favouris of John Aird, elder, and Grissell Nisbit, spouses, in liferent, and John Aird, younger, their sone, his aires and assigneyes in fie, of three pieces of ground, conforme

A rex daller  
be ilk person  
absent frae  
the counsell.

Chartor to  
John Aird,  
his spouse,  
and sone.

to three severall acts of counsell, for payment of threttein shilling four pennies Scots yearlie.

Chartor of the  
lands of Jermistoun.

Als ane chartour of confirmation granted in favouris of Robert Dinwiddie, merchand, of the lands of Jermistoun, whilk payes ten merks Scots yearlie, for whilk he is to pay fourscore pundis Scots to the tounes thesaurer for his entrie, and wherewith the thesaurer is to be charged at his compt makeing.

Incorporation  
of the  
couperis.

There was ane right subscrivit in favouris of the incorporation of couperis within the said burgh, granting them some power and libertie in relation to their oun trade and poor of the samen, whilk is ordained to be insert in the counsell book, and quherof the tennor follows:— Be it knowne to all men be thir present letteres, ws, John Andersone of Dowhill, proveist of Glasgow, William Napeir, John Aird and Robert Brock, baillies therof, James Peadie, dean of gild, John Woddrope, deacon conveener, George Buchannan, thesaurer, and remanent persones of the toun counsell of the samen, undersubscriyving, for ourselves and in name and behalfe of the haill communitie of the said burgh; forsamikle as John Scott, present deacon of the couperis of the foresaid burgh, and Patrick Urie, collector to the said trade, for themselves and in name of the haill incorporation of the samen, be their petition given in to ws be them, makeing mention that where it is and hath bein weill knowne that the petitioneris and their predicessouris have been looked upon as ane of the incorporaciones of this burgh, and that they have borne their equall burdine and proportion of the publict burdens incumbent to them as ane of the incorporaciones within the said burgh, effeirand to their station and degree, and are yet most willing to doe the samen in tyme comeing, and that they have been incorporat as ane trade within the samen burgh since the beginning of any incorporation therin, bot because there are great quantitie of couper work wrought without the said toun and brought into the same (not by the workeris therof) and disposed therin most sinistruouslie, by persones who sellis the samen within the toun without bringing the samen to the mercat place on ane mercat day, to be sighted be the deacon and some of his masteris whither the same be sufficient to serve the leidges or not, as the said incorporation are impowered to doe be their letter of deaconrie;

which are all contrare to the liberties and freedome of this burgh and standing of the said trade and poor therof, whilk hes onlie bein in use and custome of late; by all which the said vocation or most pairt therof are altogether become poor and hes nothing to mantaine themselves, nor the said calling able to supplie their poor, and the trade like to be ruined thereby, without ane speedie course be taken therin, craveing therefore that wee would grant ane act of counsell in favouris of the said incorporation for the standing of the liberties therof and poor of the samen, to the effect they might not be burdensome to ws, that it shall not be leisom nor lawfull to any person or persones, in tyme comeing, to bring into the said burgh any couper work for sale bot that which shall be brought in be the workman that works the samen, upon ane ordinary mercat day, and presented be him in the ordinary mercat place appointed for that effect, conforme to the old accustomed maner and way used in the like case in other trades, such as the smiths, cordoners and other incorporationes of trades, and there to be sighted be the deacon for the tyme, and some of his masteris, whither the same be sufficient to serve the leidges or not, and what shall be found unsufficient be them to be immediatlie forthwith confiscat at the sight of the magistrats, conforme to old accustomed forme used and practized in the like cases, and the inbringeris therof to be farder fyned and punished at the will of the magistrats. And there haveing been severall persones, from a designe to prejudge the said incorporation, did carie work out of the toune to be made, mendit or repaired, and thereafter brought back to be made use of in the toune, that all persones shall be discharged sua to doe, and that nane shall have libertie to send any work out of the toune to make, dress or repair. And in respect differences may arise between the couperis and the inhabitants and utheris anent the pryce of what couper work shall be made and mended as said is, the pryce of any couper work shall be referred to the deacon and masteris of the calling for the tyme, upon oath, at the sight of the magistrats, under the paine of confiscation of the same, and the contraveeneris farder punished at the will of the magistrats in maner foresaid. And that wee would ordaine that what couperis setts up within the bounds of Newport Glasgow, be ordained to pay to the said calling weeklie so long as

they shall happine to work there the tyme of the fishing, or other tymes, according as the petitioneris ounie journeymen here payes, whilk is two shilling Scots weeklie for ilk man, the one halfe therof to be appropriat for the use of their ounie poor, and the other halfe for the poore of the incorporation of the couperis of Glasgow, whilk was allowed and granted to the said incorporation by our predicessouris after the buying and building of Newport Glasgow. As also that nae person or persones within the toune of Glasgow shall set up or keep chopps for selling any new couper work, except these who are freemen of the said trade, under the paine of confiscation therof. And in respect the couperis of Gorballis have forestalled the mercat by buying of rungs, staves and splitts, comeing by water, to the toune of Glasgow, to the great prejudice of the incorporation foresaid, that the couperis of Gorballis nor nane of them may have libertie to buy any water borne geir nor make any foir bargane anent any water borne geir relating to the said vocation upon any pairt of the river of Clyd, except what they goe to the woods and buy, or any other royall burgh, or burgh of barronie or regalitie within the said rivér, nor nae priviledge to sell staves, splitts nor rungs in bulk under the paine and penaltie of ten merks Scots *toties quoties*, to be exacted aff the seller alseweill as the buyer that shall happine to transgress the premissis, to be exacted for the use of the poor of the said incorporation of couperis; as the said petition bearis. Whilk petition being sein and read by ws the saids magistrats and counsell, the samen was recommended to be farder considered and advised be the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, and deacon conveener, by act dated the sixth day of Apryll last, and which petition being accordinglie sein and considered be the said committie appointed for that effect, they be their report made in counsell the nynth day of the said moneth of Apryll declared that they thought the desire of the said petition reasonable and just, and what was thereby requyred was for the good of the said incorporation and poor thereof; whilk petition and report was condescended and agreed to be the remanent magistrats and counsell the said day; and therfor wee the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, for ws and our successouris in office, doe of new ratifie, allow and approve, and by thir presents of new ratifies, allowes and approves of the said petition, in the hail heads,

articles and particularis abovewrittin therin contained, with power to the said incorporation of couperis and their successouris in office to use, exerce, bruik, enjoy and make use of the haill immunities, priviledges and liberties abovementioned in all tyme comeing, in maner and conforme as is above rehearsed. In witnes wherof wee have subscrivit thir presents, at Glasgow, the fyftein day of Maij j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie ane yearis, before thir witnesses George Andersone, toun clerk of Glasgow, and James Heriott, his servitor and wryter heirop.

In answer to the supplication given in to the magistrats and counsell be Robert Dinwiddie, merchand, desireing ane visite betuixt the toun<sup>Persones to visit the lands of Jermistoun.</sup> and him concerning the park he is building on his lands of Jermistoun, and that they will allow him some of the tounes commone lands upon payment, that his dyck may be made straight, they nominat and appoint the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveener, and whom otheris they shall take with them, to visite and sight the said ground and to consider whether or not it be requisite and convenient for the toun to quat any of their common to the said Robert Dinwiddie, and to report.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to their consideration that they had formerlie commoned anent selling the lands of Provand to William Govane of Drumwhasill, whilk was then agreed to, and the dean of gild and deacon conveener was then appointed to conveyin their respective houses of merchands and crafts for giveing their advyce anent the said affaire, and they haveing accordingly met and conveyed, they did nominat and appoint some persones of both houses, who did meet with the magistrats and the said William Govane and did feue the saids lands of Provand to him for payment of threescore sevintie thousand fyve hundreth merks payable at Whitsunday nixt, and ane thousand merks of few dewtie to be payed, yearlie, and subscrivit ane minute of agreement of the samen, whilk report being considered be the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, they have allowed and approvine and hereby allowes and approves of the samen be thir presents.

Whereas there is complaint made that William Corse, and severall utheris his partineris, hes bought ane shippis loading of tobacco from ane stranger and unfreeman in any royall burgh, without makeing ane offer to the toun, it is concluded that the said William and his partineris in

the said bargane be cited to compeir before the magistrats and toune counsell, to the effect they may be fyned and punished conforme to law for the said transgression.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
persones of  
qualitie.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Helen Bryce, relict of umquhill David Craufurd, the soume of fourtie two pundis ane shilling Scots money that was spent in her house be the magistrats at severall tymes, with persones of qualitie, in the tounes affaires, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed.

Agreement  
with Robert  
Fairlie for  
building his  
gavell.

The dean of gild and deacon conveyener made report that, conforme to the appointment of the counsell, they had met with Robert Fairlie, cordoner, and had agreed and condescended to give him ane hundreth and sixtie pundis Scots for helping him to build the gavell of his house on the north side of the Old Vennell, which latelie fell by occasion, as is said, of the springs that comes to the tounes well ther; for which the said Robert, by the acceptation heirof, engagded to build the said gavell in sufficient brotched ston work for decoreing the toune.

Margaret  
Hamiltone,  
cook.

In answer to the supplication given in be Margaret Hamiltone, cook, craveing libertie to continow in the said employment for serveing the inhabitants in toune with meat and drink, at the ordinary tymes of dyets, as likeways strangeris, and not to be discharged to doe the same, for the reasones contained in the said petition, the magistrats and toune counsell doe allow and ordaine the said Margaret Hamiltone to continow and exerce her said employment as formerlie, and nominats and appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to meet with her and try what she will give to the toune for getting the said libertie allowed her for keeping of ane taverne and ane cookerie in tyme comeing, dureing her lifetyme, and to report.

23 May 1691.

Warrant,  
Thomas  
Peter,  
Danish and  
English  
forces.

Ordaines Thomas Peter, late thesaurer, to have warrant to detain in his oune hand the soume of two hundreth fourscore twelve pund nyne shilling whilk was lost be the hay and corne that was furnished to the Danish forces when they lay at Glasgow, more nor the money payed be him for the said corne and hay to these who furnished the same and what he received therefor frae the saids forces, and for eightein pundis



Scots payed to Thomas Watt, and threescore ten pund to baillie Brock, for paying that whilk was furnished to the English horse and dragounes when they were quartered here.

James Louke and John Brysone, maltmen, are, be pluralitie of votts, <sup>St. Nicolas Hospital.</sup> appointed two poor men in St. Nicolas Hospitall, conforme to umquhill Bischope Lightounes mortification, in place of John Patersone and John Walker, who have no presentation frae the toune, conforme to Bishop Lightounes mortification, who are put therefrae; and ordaines them to have the ordinary cellarie, whilk is to commence after Lambmass nixt.

Ordaines George Buchanan, toune thesaurer, to pay to Walter Brock <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, guards.</sup> the soume of [£582 12s.] Scots money, for coall and candle furnished be him to the guards for the space of ane year frae [1 January 1690 to 1 January 1691], conforme to the accompt therof given in, read and allowed.

Recommends to James Sloss, Simeon Tennent and John Peadie to <sup>Land in Muir of Gorballis.</sup> meet with William M'Crocket and comone with him anent the lands in Muir of Gorballis he desires to take frae the toune.

The proveist, baillie Napeir and dean of gild, who with some utheris <sup>Jermistone, ground craved to be inclosed.</sup> that were appointed to sight and consider the ground Robert Dinwiddie desires aff the tounes comone to be put within his park he is build- ing upon the lands of Jermistoun, made report that they had sighted the samen, and after consideration had anent the said petition and report made theranent, the saids magistrats and counsell doe nominat and appoint the dean of gild and whom of the merchand rank he shall think fitt to take with them, and the deacon conveener and such of the crafts rank he shall think fitt to take with him, to sight the said ground the said Robert Dinwiddie craves frae the toune to be inclosed within his said park, and to consider the value therof, and whether or not it be propper the toune should allow the samen to him, and to report.

The dean of gild and deacon conveener made report that, conforme <sup>Anent Margaret Hamiltone, cook.</sup> to the ordinance of the magistrats and counsell, they had met with Margaret Hamiltone, widow, and had agreed with her that she shall have libertie to keep ane commone cookrie within this burgh, dureing her lifetyme, for serveing the burgesses and strangeris that shall come to the toune, for whilk she has condescended to pay fiftie merks Scots

to the toune; whilk report is allowed and approvine, with power to the said Margaret to keep the said cookrie, and to have the freedom as ane burges and gildbrotheris relict dureing her lifetyme as a widow, she paying in the fiftie merks foresaid to George Buchannan, thesaurer, and wherewith he is to be charged; and ordaines the clerk to give her ane extract heirop for her warrandice.

2 June 1691.

Mylnes  
rouped.

The whilk day (being the first Tuesday of the said moneth) the magistrats and counsell being conveyened on the Old Grein for roupeing the commone goods of the said burgh for the year ensuing, in manner underwrittin; and first the multor and casualitie of the mylnes, after lawfull roupeing therof, are set to Robert Boyd, maltman, for the year ensuing, for the soume of eight thousand sevin hundreth and fiftie merks; whilk soume the said Robert Boyd binds and obleidges him to pay to the saids magistrats and their successouris in office, or their thesaurers in their name, in maner and at the termes following, viz., the ane just and equall halfe of the foresaid soume upon demand, and the other just and equall halfe in compleit payment therof at Martimass nixt to come; and to grant sufficient band and cawtion for the same, bearing annualrent and penaltie after the respective terms of payment abovewrittin; and to releive the toune of fiftie bollis grund malt formerlie payed to the archbishop out of Partick mylne, or pay the same into the saids magistrats and their successouris or pryces therof, conforme to (*blank*) fiar at the option of the magistrats, and to grant band for the same; with power to the magistrats and their successouris in office to imprison him summarlie for the tack dewtie abovewrittin after the termes of payment, conforme to use and wont, notwithstanding of the band to be granted be him for the same.

Ladles sett.

The dewtie and casualitie of the ladles, after lawfull roupeing, are sett to John Brounlie, merchand, for the year ensuing, conforme to use and wont, for the soume of four thousand merks Scots monie, which soume he obleidges him to pay in maner foresaid, and to grant band and cawtion as said is, with libertie to imprison, *ut supra*.

The dewtie and casualtie of the meill mercat and pecks, after lawful Meill mercat  
roupeing therof, for the year ensuing, are sett to Peter Corbet, maltman, <sup>and pecks</sup>  
conforme to use and wont, for the soume of twelve hundreth and sixtie <sup>sett.</sup>  
merks Scots, to be payed in maner foresaid, with libertie as said is.

The custome and casualtie of the tron, after lawfull roupeing therof, Tron <sup>sett.</sup>  
are set to Thomas Craford, elder, merchand, for the soume of nyne  
hundreth and fiftie merks, which soume he obleidges him to pay in  
maner foresaid, and to grant band and cawtion therefore as said is.

The custome and casualtie of the bridge, after lawfull roupeing Bridge <sup>sett.</sup>  
therof, is sett to John French, maltman, for the year ensuing, for the  
soume of fourtein hundreth and threttie merks, to be payed in maner  
and upon the conditiones abovespecifit.

Nominats and appoints the proveist to repair to Edinburgh to take <sup>Proveist to</sup>  
notice of the tounes affaires anent what they have to doe before the lords <sup>Edinburgh ;</sup>  
of his Majesties privie counsell and lords of session; and appoints the <sup>maceris</sup>  
proveist to pay to the maceris of session twentie shilling sterling, yearlie, <sup>dewes.</sup>  
whilk they were wont to get frae the tounes since Whitsunday, 1689, and  
als much to the maceris of privie counsell and exchequer.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to William Crawford, merchand, <sup>Warrant,</sup>  
for himself and in name of his partineris, the soume of six hundreth <sup>thesaurer,</sup>  
merkis for three hodgeheads French wyne, furnished be him to the tounes, <sup>wyne fur-</sup>  
whilk was given to some persones of qualitie on the tounes accompt in <sup>nished.</sup>  
March last.

Appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener, with the clerk, to <sup>Few rights of</sup>  
call for the persones that hes any few rights of the tounes land in the <sup>the tounes</sup>  
common, and to desire them to produce their rights that it may be sein <sup>land.</sup>  
if they possess any more nor what is contained in their rights, as also  
the tounes haill tennents ther; and to try if they possess any more nor  
is set to them.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, considering that whereas John <sup>Anent the</sup>  
Aird, baillie, was appointed to repair to Stirling and receave three <sup>musquets</sup>  
hundreth old musquets out of the castle ther, whilk he accordinglie did, <sup>gotine at</sup>  
and gave his receipt for the samen to the keeper of the magazine there, <sup>Stirling.</sup>  
and delivered the same within the tolbooth of this burgh, where they  
presentlie are, therefore they obleidged them and their successouris to

warrant the said John Aird of the said receipt and of all hazard he can sustaine therethrow be thir presents.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
poor schol-  
laris.

It is concluded and agreed that Robert Maine get twelve pundis Scots payed him, for ane yearis space, to pay his house mail for teaching and learning such poor schollaris gratis that shall be recommended to him be the magistrats, who are in the halfe of that quarter of the toune he lives in, and ordaines the thesaurer to pay him the said twelve pundis, he performing the said condition.

26 June 1691.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
help and sup-  
plie.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Robert Lithgow twelve pundis Scots, he being ane old indigent sicklie man, for his present help and supplie.

Conventioun  
of burrows.

Nominats and commissionats the proveist commissioner for the toune to attend the generall convention of burrowes, whilk is to sit at Edinburgh the first Tuesday of July nixt, being the sevinth day of the said moneth. And the proveist to call for what person he shall think fit to be with him at the said meeting.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
call to a  
minister.

Ordaines the toune thesaurer to pay to John Corse, merchand [£24 2s.] Scots money, for his oune, Mr. James Broune and James Sloss their expenses and horse hyres in going to Irving, to the presbytree anent the call given to Mr. Meldrum.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
French  
minister.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to Mr. John Pujolas, ane French minister, the soume of fiftie pundis Scots money, as being halfe ane year's allowance the toune was to give him, if he had remained here to teach the French tongue, for helping to transport him home againe.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
minister.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Mr. James Drummond, minister, the soume of three hundreth pundis Scots money, and that in satisfaction to him of all he can crave frae the toune, the tyme he exerced the ministrie here when the toune wanted ministeris.

28 June 1691.

Meeting of  
the burrowes.

Nominats and appoints the baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveener, John Leckie and John Corse, to meet and consider the articles contained in the missive that is to be treated on at the generall convention of

burowes, and what else is fit to be proposed there, concerning the weill of the toune.

Upon ane representation given in to the magistrats and counsell be severall of the inhabitants within the burgh, and particularlie be the haill inhabitants in Saltmercat, desireing the toune will cause build and set doune ane well for furnishing that street and the rest of the toune with water, it being the most popular place in the toune and worst furnished with water, whilk being tacken to the saids baillies and counsell their consideration, they have concluded and agreed that there shall be ane well set doune in that waist ground on the east side of the Saltmercat, whilk sometime pertained to umquhill John Mudie, and appoints John Leckie to cause imploy workmen to see the samen well set doune; and before anything be done to take ane list of these persones, particularlie the baxteris, who offeris ane gratuitie to help the paying of the said well, and to cause exact the samen frae them, and what the said gratuitie comes short of the pryce the well will come to it is concluded that the superplus shall be payed be the toune.

[Bailie Napier and others reported that, conform to the appointment of the magistrates and council, they had met with James Crawford of Gartnavell anent his supplication for libertie to build a salt pan on the town's ground at Newport Glasgow, at the north end of the coal hoof already built by him, measuring 60 feet towards the sea and the breadth of said hoof; which petition having been considered, the magistrates and council] have given and granted and hereby gives and grants (with the provisiones and conditiones following) to the said James Crawford libertie to build ane saltpann on the north end of his coall hooff towards the sea, and to put ane rooffe therupon, on these termes, that he nor his succesouris make noe use of the samen either for ane change house or taverne for selling of drink, or entertaining of strangeris or lodgeris, or put any herrings therin except what shall properlie belong to himselfe, abstract frae any partiner (who are seclused frae that benefit) nor noe uther use therof any maner of way bot for ane saltpan allenary; and also with this provision that it shall not be leisome and in the power of the said James Crawford, or his foresaids, to dispose upon the said ground and saltpann whereupon the samen is, nor of the said coall hooff allreadie builded, nor

to take on debt, whereby the samen may be adjudged or evicted frae them, except as to burgesses and inhabitants in the said burgh, with consent of the magistrats and counsell; and sic like with this condition and provision that the said saltpan shall be nothing hurtfull or prejudiciall to the townes great lodgeing at Newport or the other buildings ther, nor to the key and harbour nor entrie therto, or any veshell that shall be lyand within the samen, bot that it shall leisom to the toun to make ane cluse throw the key for cleansing of the said harbour, or use what other method they shall think fitt for keeping the same clean, nothwithstanding of the said libertie for the saltpan; for which ground and saltpan the said James is to pay fourtie shilling, yearlie, of few dewtie to the toun, to begin frae the date heirof.

27 August 1691.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
minister.

Ordaines George Buchannan, toun thesaurer, to pay to Mr. Alexander George the soume of nyne hundreth and fiftie pundis Scots money for ane yearis stipend and communion elements as minister of the Barronie Kirk the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> eightie eight, the said Mr. Alexander George discharginge the toun of the decret he hes against the toun for the said soume and all dilligence done therupon.

Libertie to  
sell lands.  
Townes  
affaires this  
summer.

The proveist produced ane act of parliament and ane other act of the generall convention of burrowes, allowing the magistrats and toun counsell to sell their lands of Provand, or otheris their lands and few dewties, for helping to pay their debts; as also the proveist made report of his dilligence done this summer at Edinburgh anent the townes other affaires, and particularlie anent the pley betuixt the toun and James Robiesone and commissioner Dalrymple's affaire anent the Provand, Mr. Alexander George pley and James Bogle's affaire, and of his clearing compts with the lords of thesaurie, as also of his dilligence at the convention of burrowes.

Bargane  
anent selling  
Provand.

It is concluded and agreed that the bargane made with William Govane anent the few of the lands of Provand be prosecute, and dilligence done against him to performe the bargane, and recomends to baillie Napeir to wryte to him that he may come to Glasgow and end the samen.

The magistrats and counsell doe allow of the call given to Mr. William Dunlop, principall of the colledge of Glasgow, to lawbour in this city in the work of the ministrie, by preaching, dispensing the sacraments, and performing all other functions of the ministeriall office in this city, so fare and also oftine only as in christian prudence and conveniencie he shall find expedient and consistent with his attendance upon the office of principall of the said colledge, and so long allendarlie as he shall continow in the said office, for which he is to ask or requyre no stipend or maintenance frae the toune as ane of the ministeris, and whilk call was subscrivit be the saids magistrats and counsell.

Call to Mr.  
William  
Dunlop.

Allowes and approves of the agreement made be the proveist, baillies Napier and Aird, and the deacon conveyener, with the laird of Bargarran and Robert Kerr, for themselves and as tutouris or curatouris to the children of umquhill Donnald M'Gilchreist, anent the lands in Saltmercat where the well is presentlie seting doune, with the hail foirland there, and the haill land and closs nixt adjacent to the said foir land, lyand at the back of these foir chops that belongs to the toune, whilk was formerlie Mannasses Lyllis, to the burne of Molendinor, with the haill pairts and pendicles of the samen, whilk sometyme belonged to umquhill John Mudie and thereafter to the said umquhill Donnald M'Gilchreist, by ane appryseing, and wherto Zacharias Murdoch pretends to have ane right to some of the foir chops; for whilk the toune is to pay ane thousand pundis Scots at Martimass nixt, with annualrent thereafter whill payment, the heritouris of the saids lands giveing ane sufficient right therof to the toune, with warrandice at all hands except as to the bygane few dewties and ground annwallis payable furth therof, whilk they are to be freed of; and whilk agreement and pryce is made be the determination of Thomas Crawford, elder of Crawfordsburne, Robert Rae and George Johnstoune, late baillies, who were mutually choisen be both parties for valowing the saids lands.

The agree-  
ment anent  
ground in  
Saltmercat.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, upon severall considerationes, Inglis to reside in and granted, and hereby gives and grants, libertie to Margaret Inglis to reside in this toune, and to use ane trade therein by buying and selling any sort of commodities she shall think fitt, so long as she shall live without being married.

Inglis to re-  
side and have  
a free trade.

Gray, burges  
and gild-  
brother; coal  
heugh in  
Carntyne.

The proveist, baillies and counsell convened, anent the petition given in be John Gray, portioner of Carntyne, desireing they will be pleased to grant warrand in his favouris to the dean of gild, to admit and receive him burges and gild brother of the said burgh upon the accompt of his severall services done to the toune and inhabitants therof, and particularlie by keeping up ane coall heugh in Carntyne for serveing the toune with coallis at ane easie rate when the heughs in Gorballis became useless, which was done through the industrie of the said John Gray, the said burges and gildbrother ticket haveing bein promised to him before by the former magistrats and dean of gild; whilk petition, with the report of those to whom the samen was remitted, being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they hereby appoint and ordain the dean of gild to admitt and receive the said John Gray burges and gild brother of the said burgh, he paying in ten dollers to the toune thesaurer for his said freedome, and to hold the rest of his fynes as payed, the samen being quat to him for the reasones foresaid and utheris contained in the said petition.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
minister.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to Mr. James Drummond the soume of ane hundreth pundis Scots money, farder nor the three hundreth pund that was ordained to be payed him formerlie, for his exerceing of the office of the ministrie here when the toune wanted ministeris, be vertew of ane act of counsell dated the twentie sixt day of Junij last j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie ane yearis.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
gunpowder,  
wax.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to James Cuike, merchand [£31 4 s. Scots, whereof £29 14 s.] is for gunpowder furnished be him to the toune in October j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> eightie eight yearis, and the rest is for wax to the quartermaister at that tyme, conforme to the accompt therof gevin in and allowed.

Seats in the  
kirks, &c.

Appoints the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener to appoint what persones they shall think fit to collect the money for the seats in the churches and meeting house for ane year to come, after the first of September nixt, and to cause set these that are not tacken the best way they can.

Spreullis to  
enjoy the  
freedom of  
ane burges  
and gild-  
brother.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, convened anent the supplication given in and presented to them be Anna Spreull, daughter lawfull to



umquhill Mr. John Spreull, burges and gild brother of the said burgh, makeing mention of her being married to James Spreull, apothecarie in Paisley (now deceast) who not onlie out of negligence, bot upon some other reasones, ommitted, and was necessitat to forebear to admit himselfe burges and gild brother of the said burgh, be right of the supplicant, before his deceass; humblie desireing that she and Jonnet Spreull, her daughter, procreat betwixt her and her said umquhill husband, may enjoy and bruike the like priviledge as if the said umquhill James Spreull had been entered before his deceass, as the said petition at more lenth bearis; whilk being tacken to the proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they have given and granted, and hereby gives and grants libertie to the saids Anna and Jonnet Spreullis to enjoy and bruike the samen priviledge within this burgh as if the said umquhill James Spreull had been actuallie entered burges and gild brother of the samen burgh.

Nominats and appoints baillie Aird and the deacon convener, with Land in Muir these that were formerlie appointed, to sight the lands in Muir of Gorballis of Gorballis. whilk William M'Crocket is seeking to few, and to consider the value therof, and to report.

*5 September 1691.*

Ordaines the toune thesaurer to pay to William Allasone the soume Warrant, of twentie four pundis Scots money, to help to make up the loss of ane thesaurer, horse that was prest frae him be ane of the Danish officers to ryde to loss of horse. England express, whilk was never returned to him.

Ordaines the toune thesaurer to pay to John Bryce, merchand [£60] Warrant, Scots money resting be the toune to him for two yearis ground annwell thesaurer. of his lands in the New Wynd, where the Meeting House is situat and that frae [1689 to 1691].

It is concluded that the tounes great lodgeing at Newport Glasgow, The great lodgeing at with the office houses, closs and cellars, with the yeard and park and Newport to benefite of the harbour, and the haill interests the toune hes there, except be roupied. the lodgeing where the collector dwellis and custome house, with the smiddie and northwest corner house nixt to the key for ane blockmaker to live in, whilk the toune is to keep in their hand unrouped, and appoints a proclamation to be sent through the toune for roupeing the samen about

Loukesmass nixt, twentie dayes or thereby before the said roup, intimating that the persones to whom the samen is to be set are to be burgesses and inhabitants in this burgh and are to reside and dwell in the lodgeing themselves, and that the termes of the roup shall be intimat to the tackeris at the tyme of the roupeing therof.

Termes anent  
the said roup;  
anchorage,  
repair of  
harbour.

It is also statute and ordained that whoever takes the houses and cellaris that they be obleist to suffer the burgesses and inhabitants to lay in their saillis and rigging of their shippis in the lofts above the cellaris and deliver the samen safe back without payment of any dewes, and in caice there shall be any emptie rume in the closs for laying in of herrings or cask, more nor what shall be made use of by these who shall take the cellaris, that the tackisman be obleist to take in burgesses herrings and cask, for whilk they are to pay six shilling the last dureing the haill season of the year, or the space they shall lye there; and it is farder statute that every ship belonging to burgesses, inhabitants, comeing within the harbour of Newport, pay ane rex daller of anchorage, everie tap saill barque halfe a rex daller, everie boat six shilling eight pennies, and every scout three shilling four pennies; and nominats and appoints John Crawford to imploy persones to compleit the repairing and helping of what is needfull to be farder done at Newport, that the samen may be perfyted and put in ane good condition against the roup; as also appoints the said John Crawford to set and dispose on the tounes cellaris, with the closs and other houses ther, the best way he can for the tounes advantage till Whitsunday nixt, and that he intromet with what rent can be gottine therefor till the said tyme; as likewayes to uplift and receave the anchoradge of ships and boats that shall come within the harbour till the said terme of Whitsunday nixt, and to allow to Mathew Cuming the fourth pairt of what shall be gottine of the saids shippis and veshellis, for his paines to be assisting to seek in the samen and for being officer, the said John Crawford holding compt and making payment to the tounes of what he shall receave.

Old fishing  
closs.

It is concluded and agreed that the old fishing closs in Greenock be set or sold to the laird of Greinock, or any other person, bot that the first offer be made to Greinock, for payment of fiftie merks of tack dewtie yearlie.

12 September 1691.

Baillie Aird, the deacon conveneer and James Sloss, who were nominat Agreement  
and appointed to meet with William M'Crocket and agree with him anent M'Crocket,  
the peice ground in Muir of Gorballis he is seeking to few, that was last peice ground  
possest be (*blank*), made report that they had satled and agreed to give Gorballis.  
him ane few right, for whilk he is to pay three pound sterling to the  
thesaurer in name of the toune, and also much few dewtie, yearlie, as it  
payed of rent formerlie, whilk is (*blank*) bollis of victuall; which report  
was approve, and appoints a right therof to be drawn up in his favouris.

The proveist, baillies and counsell convened, and considering wheras Maskarading  
great and many abuses in the night tyme have bein of late committed by and  
severall inhabitants of the toune, by maskerading and other insolencies sirenading  
offered to the guards and utheris of the toune, to the great scandall of discharged.  
religion and contempt of authoritie and hurt to severall persones, for pre-  
venting wherof these are hereby dischargeing and prohibiting all and  
whatsoever persones, upon whatsoever pretext, to goe through the  
toune in the night tyme maskerading or sirenading, or in companie with  
viollis or other instruments of musick in any numbers, certifieing all such  
who shall committ any such abuses shall be fyned in ane hundreth pundis  
toties quoties and punished in their persones and proceeded against by  
church censure as persones nottoriouslie scandalous, and appoints a procla-  
mation to be sent throw the toune to intimat the samen.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, takeing to their consideration John Craw-  
the severall services done be John Crawford of Mylnetoune, wryter, to furd, wryter,  
the toune, they have concluded that he be made burges and gild brother burges and  
of the said burgh, and that his fynes be holdine as payed, whilk are hereby gildbrother.  
remitted to him, and that for service done and to be done to this burgh,  
and appoints the dean of gild to receave and admitt him conforme to  
this act.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, considering that be the general Warrant,  
assemblie it was appointed that ilk minister should advance and pay twelve thesaurer,  
pundis Scots for defraying the charges and expenses of two of their number ministers.  
that were commissionat and sent be them to London to waite on their  
Majesties, and that reason is the tounes ministeris should be disburdened  
and freed of their pairt of that money, whilk is four pounds sterling, they

ordaine the thesaurer to pay the said four pounds sterling on the said accompt.

Kirk seats.

Nominats and appoints these persons that were appointed to sett the seats in the kirks and meeting houses to clear the compts of these collectouris that receaved the last yearis money gotine for the seats.

Mr. Lewish,  
ane musitian.

Nominats and appoints John Gibsone and John Corse to meet with Mr. Lewish de France, and try if they can agree with him to teach the inhabitants in toune to sing musick, and to report.

24 September 1691.

Doctors in  
Gramer  
schooll.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, takeing to their consideration that of necessitie there most be two persones nominat and choisen to be doctors in the toune Gramer schooll against November nixt, these who are doctors being otherwayes employed in the ministrie, they nominat and appoint the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, and deacon conveyener, and whom utheris they shall think fit to take alongst with them, to meet with the ministeris and master of the Gramer schooll, and to advyse which of these who are seeking the places will be most fit to be presented to the said employment, burgesses sones, being found also weill qualified as otheris, to be first preferred, and to report.

Way to the  
Spout well.

The magistrats and counsell takeing to their consideration that the entrie to the Spout Well is so narrow that there is not so much as rounge for people to pass by other with burne stands, as also the entrie is so rough and uncalsied that people can verie hardlie enter to the said well, any maner of way, to carie out water, it is therefor hereby enacted and concluded that the house on the east side of the said entrie to the said well, whilk belongs to the representatives of umquhill Mathew Aitkine, be bought in for the use of the toune, and that also much therof as will enlarge the entrie to the said Spout Well be made use of for that end, and that the said entrie be laid with ane sufficient calsey on the tounes expenses.

Seats in the  
kirks, &c.

The proveist made report that he and the rest of the committie who were appointed be the magistrats and counsell had nominat and appointed William Craig, merchand, to uplift and receive the money for the seats in the Inner High Kirk, and to set these that are unset the best way he

can, frae the first of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie till the first of September instant, and John Glen, merchand, for the Outer High Kirk, and Henrie Chrystie for the Laigh Kirk, and William Bogill, merchand, for the meeting house in the Wynd, to uplift the money of their respective divisiones and set the samen as said is, whilk was allowed and approvine.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, John Corse and John Gibsoun, late baillies, who were nominat and appointed to meet with <sup>Mr. Lewis de France to teach and keep ane musick schooll.</sup> Mr. Lewis de France, musitian, and to agree with him to teach the inhabitants in toune to sing musick, made report that they had met with him, and that he very willinglie condescended to teach the inhabitants musick, and to take onlie fourtein shilling per moneth, for ane hour in the day, from these that comes to the schooll, and fourtein shilling for wryting the threttein comon tunes and some psalmes, the schollars furnishing bookes; and also condescended to teach such poor in the toune, as the magistrats be their ordour shall appoint him, and that for nothing; whilk report was allowed and approvine, and for his encouragement the saids magistrats and counsell have agreed that the said Mr. Lewis de France get ane hundreth pund Scots money payed him, yearlie, be the toune, and that dureing their pleasure and no longer, commencing frae Lambmass last, and that there shall be no public schoollis teaching musick dureing the time foresaid, except what the said Mr. Lewis shall keep, and ordaines the toune thesaurer and his successouris in office to pay the samen to him quarterly so long as the samen is continowed.

4 October 1691.

There was ane precept of clare constat subscrivit in favouris of Jonnet and Margaret Gilkersones, as aires portioneris to umquhill Thomas <sup>Precept of clare constat, Gilkersones.</sup> Gilkersone, their father, who was eldest lawfull sone to umquhill William Gilkersone, wright in Gorballis, of ane tenement of land in Gorballis, for whilk they are to pay ane merk Scots and ane hen, yearlie, of few dewtie.

As also ane few contract subscrivit in favouris of William M'Crocket, <sup>Few chartor, William Crocket.</sup> in Corsehill, of eight aikeris of land or therby in Muir of Gorballis, with the house and yeard belonging therto, as the samen were possest be umquhill John Paterson, weiver, and are now possest be Robert and Thomas Uries and the said William M'Crocket himselfe, for payment of

sevine bollis of beir, good and sufficient ferme victuall, yearlie, of few dewtie, betuixt Yuill and Candlemass, or the pryces therof, conforme to the Gorbail fiar, it being in the magistrats and counsell their pleasure and option allwayes to receave the bollis *ipsa corpora* or the pryces therof as they shall think fit, and with and under the other clauses at lenth mentioned in the said few contract.

Warrant,  
thesauris,  
floweris.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Walter Whyte, keeper of the Merchand Hospitall yeard, twelve pund Scots for furnishing floweris and strowing to the counsell seats in the kirks and counsell table this last year.

Warrant,  
thesauris,  
prisoners in  
tolbooth.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to Walter Brock the soume of (*blank*) for intertaining Irish persones in meat and drink in the tolbooth of this burgh, by order of the magistrats, that were tacken in the Highlands and sent here be the Earle of Argyll and otheris who apprehendit them, and that frae the fourth day of August 1689 till the twentie sevinth day of March 1690, conforme to the accompt therof given in and allowed; as also to pay to the said Walter Brock the soume of threttie six pund fourtein shilling, monie foresaid, for mantaining of Jonnet Corsee, being prisoner in the said tolbooth, at two shilling Scots ilk day, by ordour of baillie Napeir and baillie Nisbit, frae the last day of July 1690 till the thrid day of August 1691, conforme to the accompt therof.

6 October 1691.

Election of  
the proveist  
and baillies.

The magistrats and counsell conveened, being the first Tuesday after Michaelmass, and swa the ordinar day of electing of these who should bear office as proveist and baillies of the said burgh for the year ensuing, and the haill counsell being removed frae the table except the proveist and three baillies, they did set doune the lyt of the merchand rank to the effect ane of them might be choisen to bear office as proveist of the said burgh for the year ensuing, and the merchands who were to be lytted, being sixtein in number, by and attour John Andersone, proveist, who was not lytted, were divided in four lyts, wherof four persones in ilk lyt, whilk being votted by pluralitie of votts, James Peadie, John Leckie, William Napeir and John Corsee was choisen out of the saids four lyts, and whilks four persones were to be put in two lyts to the effect abovewrittin,

and the saids four persones being divyded in two lyts, and the samen put to ane vott, by pluralitie of votts, the saids James Peadie and John Leckie were elected to the effect foresaid, and the saids James Peadie and John Leckie being again removed, and the said lyt put to ane vott whilk of the two should be choisen proveist, by pluralitie of votts, the said James Peadie was electit and choisen proveist of the said burgh for the ensuing year, who did accept and give his oath of fidelitie as use is. Therafter the saids haill persones being removed frae the counsell table, except James Peadie new electit proveist, with John Anderson, late proveist, and the three baillies, they, to witt, the saids new elected proveist and late magistrates, did set doun the lyts of the merchands and crafts rank in counsell, out of whilk the three baillies are to be choisen for the year to come, and the merchands who were to be lyted for the two merchand baillies, being elevin in number, were divydit in four lyts, wherof three lyts containing three persones in ilk lyt, and the other lyt of two persones, whilk lyts being put to the vott, John Corse, Gavine Wood, Mathew Cuming, elder, and James Slosse were choisen, and the saids persones being divyded in two lyts, in ane lyt John Corse and Mathew Cuming, elder, and in the other lyt James Slosse and Gavine Wood; and the crafts rank in counsell who were to be votted, being ellevin in number, being divided in three lyts, wherof two fouris and ane lyt of three persones, to the effect three of them might be choisen to be put on lyt, to the effect ane of three should be choisen to bear office as baillie for the crafts rank for the year to come, whilk lyts being put to the vott be pluralitie of votts Simeon Tennent, George Buchanan and Thomas Pollock were elected, to the effect foresaid; and the saids two lyts for the merchand baillies, and crafts lytt for the crafts baillie being severallie removed and put to the vott, who should be choisen out therof to be the three baillies for the year to come, be pluralitie of votts, the saids Mathew Cuming, elder, and James Slosse were elected and choisen to be baillies for the merchand rank, and Simeon Tennent for the crafts rank, for the ensuing year, who did accept the saids offices in and upon them, and gave their oathes *de fidei administratione* therintill as use is.

9 October 1691.

Counsellors. [The magistrates of this and the two previous years, with persons appointed to supply vacancies, chose fourteen merchants, including "William Barclay, master of wark," and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1691.

Agreement  
anent land at  
the Spout-  
mouth. [The magistrates, on behalf of the town, and John Shaw, of Bargarran, for himself and the rest of the representatives of the late Mathew Aitkine, having appointed arbiters "to appryse and determine what the toune shall pay for the ground of that brunt tenement of land that belongs to the laird of Bargarran and the rest of the aires of the said umquhill Mathew Aitkine, whilk the saide magistrats and counsell resolves to dispose upon for the tounes publict weill, and especiallie of ane pairt therof for inlargeing the entrie to the publick well called the Spout," it was reported that the price had been fixed at £15 sterling, and this was approved of, and the alteration ordered to be proceeded with.]

14 October 1691.

Dean of gild,  
&c. [John Leckie, dean of guild; John Woddrope, deacon conveener; John Aird, younger, treasurer; Peter Corbet, bailie of Gorbals; Gavine Wood, water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; John Grahame of Dowgalstoune, procurator fiscal; George Buchanan, visitor of maltmen; George Ralstoune, visitor of gardeners.]

27 October 1691.

Statutes,  
bread, tallow, the stone, and candle for 48 s. the stone.] [The 12 d. loaf to weigh 12 oz. 7 drop 4 grains; tallow to be sold for 41 s. 4 d.

Doctouris of  
Gramer  
Schooll. The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveened, Mr. Thomas Lawrie and Mr. William Brisbane is admitted to be two doctouris in the Gramer Schooll of the said burgh, to witt, the said Mr. Thomas Lawrie to be eldest doctor in place of Mr. Mungo Lindsay, and the said Mr. William Brisbane to be second doctor in place of Mr. John M'Lerran, who are now called to the ministrie; and appoints them to have the benefite and immunities therto belonging as the former doctoris possesst and enjoyed of before, and that frae their entrie therto whilk is to begin the first of November nixtocome, and swa to continow dureing their or either of them their exerceing of their saids offices; with power to them to ask, uplift and receave the said cellarie.



30 *January* 1692.

The proveist, baillies and counsell convened, and takeing into their consideration that umquhill William Pollock, landlawbourser, had some loss by takeing in some lands within the New Grein belonging to Robert Rae, wherof he was tennent, he haveing laid on considerable fuilzie therupon the year before the same was tacken in, for whilk loss the magistrats for the tyme did promise to make the said umquhill William burges gratis of the said burgh, wherefor the saids magistrats and counsell, on the accompt foresaid, have given and granted and hereby gives and grants full power and libertie to Margaret Wallace, relict of the said umquhill William Pollock, to use and exerce the libertie of ane burges relict dureing all the dayes of her lifytyme, she continowing ane widow. <sup>Wallace, freedom of ane burges, gratis.</sup>

It is concludit that Mr. Robert Landes get ane hundreth pundis Scots payed him, in satisfaction of all that is resting him and what he can crave, for his excerceing of his office of the ministrie as ane of the townes ministeris, and ordaines the thesaurer to pay him the samen. <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, minister.</sup>

20 *February* 1692.

Henrie Lochhead, merchand, is appointed to take ane list of what persones shall deceass in the toun, as umquhill Walter Colquhoun was ordained to doe, and to receive the register he had therof, for whilk he is to have threttie shilling Scots payed him, weeklie, to begin this day, and the samen to continow dureing the magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure. <sup>Lochhead to keep ane register of the dead.</sup>

1 *March* 1692.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being convened, and considering that they are destitute and wants ane minister within this burgh, they after mature advyce and deliberation had theranent, with advyce and consent of the remanent ministeris and kirk session within the samen burgh, thought fit to give ane call to Mr. Thomas Forrester, sometyme minister at Killairne, to be ane of the townes ordinary ministeris of this burgh, whilk call was read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell and subscrivit be them; and for prosecuting the said act the saids magistrats and counsell have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and <sup>Call given to Mr. Thomas Forrester, minister.</sup>

appoints James Sloss, ane of the present baillies of the said burgh of Glasgow, to repair to the presbytree of Dumbartane upon the fyftein day of March instant, with such as shall be appointed be the kirk session, and to use his endeavour for getting the said Mr. Thomas Forrester to accept of the said call to be ane of the tounes ministeris.

15 *March* 1692.

Proveist  
Anderson and  
utheris to  
revise coun-  
sell bookes.

Appoints proveist Andersone [and four others] to revise the counsell bookes and take inspection what acts is made and not put to execution relateing to the tounes affaires, as also anent what money is borrowed by private persones on the tounes accompt, to the effect they may be releived therof and the tounes bands given therfor, and to take inspection of all compts that are cleared betuixt the tounes and their collectouris and thesaureris, to the effect if there be any ballance resting the samen may be cleared and sought in; and appoints their first meeting to be on Thursday nixt in the afternoon, and to report their dilligence to the counsell.

12 *May* 1692.

The address  
given in to  
the privie  
councill to be  
sent to their  
Majesties ap-  
provine.

The address that was given in to the right honourable the lords of their Majesties most honourable privy councill, in name of the citie of Glasgow, to be transmitted to their sacreed Majesties King William and Queen Marie, was produced and read, and allowed and approve be the saids magistrats and tounes counsell and ordained to be registrat, quherof the tennor followes:—To their most excellent Majesties King William and Queen Marie, our dread soveraignes, the most humble and loyall address and offer of the magistrats and counsell of the citie of Glasgow, for themselves and the communitie therof, presented to the most honourable the lords of their Majesties privie counsell to be transmitted to their Majesties. May it please your sacreed Majesties,—wee your Majesties most humble and faithfull subjects, takeing into our consideration the report of ane invasion and descent into Brittane said to be intended by cruell and barbarous French and Irish Papists and otheris their adherents, to the indangering of our religion, lyves, liberties and lawes, and that wee doe reallie owe the preservation of all these dear and precious interests to

the Kings most excellent Majestie, as the great and glorious deliverer whom God raised up and honoured to save ws from that sore and violent oppression under which wee had long groaned, and to rescue ws from Poperie and slaverie, whereby wee were at lenth readie to have been swallowed up (a releiffe and blessing never to be foregottin) doe therefor most humbly, heartily and cheerfullie offer our lives and fortunes for the defence of this kingdome and of the true Protestant religion, and your Majesties royall authoritie and government therin, against all who shall attempt to invaide, quarrell or impugne the same in any sort, promising that wee and all of ws will be readie on all ocasioness to come furth with our armes and competent provisiones, under such faithfull officeris as shall be appointed over ws, to oppose, overthrow and vanquish, to our power, all such enemies as shall darre to rise up against God, your Majesties and ws, over whom wee trust that God shall every where and ever more give your Majesties all success and victorie. Subscrivit and presented be the ordour and in name of the saids magistrats and counsell, at Edinburgh, the sixth day of Maij 1692.

It being represented that severall persones in toune hes offered to Offer of mount themselves sufficientlie with horse and armes when there shall be occasion to have use for them, the toune furnishing their horses with <sup>severall persones, to furnish horse and armes to</sup> oats and hay at such tymes as they shall be conveyened and styes in toune <sup>ryde when occasion.</sup> upon the publick, to ryde when desired, whilk being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, it is concludit that such persones who will engadge shall be furnished with oats and hay for their horses, at such times as their horses are stabled and keepit within the toune, on the accompt foresaid, upon the tounes expenses, and recomends to the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener to meet with them and set doune such rules as they and the persones who will engadge to ryde shall conclude upon.

Allowes and approves of the report given in be the proveist, dean of gild and deacon conveyener, anent John Spreull, wryter, whereby they <sup>Agreement with John Spreull.</sup> offered him fyve hundreth pundis Scots for avoiding and freeing the toune of trouble and expenses of the pley the said John hes against them for some alleged wrong done be the former magistrats and counsell to umquhill Mr. John Spreull, his father, and ordaines the thesaurer to pay him the said

fyve hundreth pundis Scots, he dischargeing the toune of the said pley and of all he can ask or crave frae them, aither for himselfe or any other pretence on his fatheris accompt, and giveing ane assignation against what persones may be found lyable for the said soume, in case they shall think fit to seek their releife for the samen.

13 *May* 1692.

Petition be  
John Glen,  
peice ground  
in Saltmercat.

Anent the supplication given in to the saids magistrats and counsell be John Glen, merchand, burges of the said burgh, makeing mention that by laudable custome and practise the former magistrats and counsell thought it convenient, for giveing encouragement to the burgesses to build houses and fabricks on the foir street, for decoreing the toune, and the petitioner haveing belonging to him ane foir tenement upon the east syde of the Saltmercat Street whilk is builded with timber on the front, whilk he resolves to take doune and rebuild in ston work, in caice the saids magistrats and counsell will be pleased to grant him a little peice of the waist ground on the south end of the gavell of his said tenement towards the well, whilk gavell the said John Glen offeris to build in ston work, the samen being now only cat and clay; whilk petition, with the report of bailie Cuming, dean of guild and deacon conveener, to whom the samen was be act of counsell, dated the 12th of this instant, referred, to consider and give their oppinion theranent, did give their report that they went and sighted the said peice waist ground the said petitioner craves, and that they find it will be nothing prejudiciall to the toune to quat him the samen to build his gavell therupon, he comeing nae farder south therwith nor the north side of the syre that is betwixt the tounes well ther and his said gavell now standing; whilk petition with the said report being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they for them and their successors in office have given and granted, and hereby gives and grants full power and libertie to the said John Glen to bring out and build the gavell of his said house also farre as the said syre on the north side of the tounes well ther, the said John allwayes building the said gavell with the foir front of the said house with sufficient broached ston work and with pratches on the street, and leaveing the windskeu at the south neuk of the said gavell unclosed up.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to James Sloss, baillie, the soume of <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, expenses.</sup> ane hundreth and twentie pundis Scots monie for his oune expenses and the charges and expenses of these who went with him to Edinburgh, and giveing in ane address to the privie counsell, and drawing ane other to be sent to their Majesties in name of the toune, upon the rumour of ane invasion; and for the charges, expenses and horse hyres of himselfe and these who went to Cardross and other places, in prosecuting the call given to Mr. Thomas Forrester, and for the expenses and charges and expenses of Lauchlan M'Lauchlan who went express to Campbeltoun, the head of Kintyre, to intimat the call to Mr. Dunkieson to be ane of the tounes ministeris, conforme to the compt therof.

14 May 1692.

It being reported be the proveist and baillie Sloss, with the dean of <sup>Report anent Petershill and the toune loch, Provand.</sup> gild and severall otheris of the counsell that went out yesterday, be order of the counsell, and had sighted that mailling called Petershill in the comon belonging to the toune, whilk is possest be (*blank*) Gillies, as also the tounes loch called the comon loch, whilk they caused meith with some little ground round the loch, whilk they intend to set in few by way of roupe, upon ane publict proclamation to be sent through the toune for that effect, for the tounes advantage, whilk being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, it is concludit that the dean of gild and deacon conveener conveyin their respective incorporationes of merchands and crafts and take their advyce and consent for fewing out the saids lands and loch in few, before any proclamation be sent throw or any roupe to be made therof, and that they conveyin on Tuesday nixt for that end; as also to take their advyce anent roupeing the Provand rent yearlie for what yearis they shall think fit.

In answer to the supplication given in to the saids proveist, baillies <sup>Libertie to John Pollock to build in the Candleriggs.</sup> and counsell be John Pollock, maisson, makeing mention that where he hes latelie acquired ane peice waist ground in Candleriggs, opposite to the soaparie, extending to ten elnes in front, with a peice yeard at the back therof, which payes of yearlie few dewtie threttie shilling Scots monie to the toune, and the samen lying now ruinous is more then the reall rent therof, and whilk peice waiste ground he intended to have builded with a

decent hewne ston front, but being informed that there are fyftein or sixtein yeares few dewtie run unpaid therof, whilk is the full avall of the samen, and will burdine and affect any building or pollicie he can make therupon, whereby he is debarred from the building therof, bot knowing that it hes bein allwayes customarie for the former magistrats and counsell to give encouragment to builderis according to the qualitie and extent of the building and of the decorement made thereby to the street, craveing therefor the saids proveist, baillies and counsell to consider the premisses, and aither give him such incouragement as may inable him to build the said peice waist ground, or then to discharge the said bygane few dewtie; whilk petition being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they for them and their successors in office have given and granted and hereby gives and grants full power and libertie to the said John Pollock to build the said peice waist ground, and quats and gives doune to him all bygane few dewties payable out therof for his encouragment to build the samen, he building it in ane heune ston front and paying the said few dewtie of threttie shilling in tyme comeing.

30 May 1692.

Provand  
rents.

[In the accounts of John Hamiltone of "his intromissiones with the rents of the lands of Provand, the years 1688 and 1689," the following items occur:— "Charge: Item, for the cropt and year 1688, as per accompt, £3825 4 s. 5 d. Item, for the cropt and year 1689, as per accompt, £4188 13 s. 7 d. Discharge: Item, to John Baillie, regall clerk, for a troupe horse to lord Bellheavens troupe, wherof a great part of the fractiones are yet owing the toun and is to be sought in, £108 8 s. Item, for the tounes pairt of the expenses payed out in obtaining ane act of council allowing the barronie stipend, cropt 1690, to buy a manse to the minister, £55. Item, to John Crawford for the Provands part of the militia horse for the year 1683, and expenses, thereon, £50."]

John Hamiltone, lands of  
Ridrie and  
Rachesie.

It being considered that the said John Hamiltone did measure and lawbour a pairt of the lands of Ridrie and Rachesie, the cropt 1687, which were lying waste, it is concludit that he is to be comptable for the rent therof and pay in the samen to the toun.

John Hamiltone's repara-  
tions of the  
lands of  
Provand.

Appoints the dean of gild [and three others] to goe out and sight what buildings and reparations John Hamiltone hes done to the houses

and lands of Provand, and to convey the tennents, and to cause them pay their bygone rests or give securitie therefor, certifieng such as will not doe the same they are to be removed aff the ground and otherwayes persewed on law, and to report.

Nominats and commissionats John Hamiltone to uplift and receive <sup>Rents of</sup> the rent of the lands of Provand, frae the tennents and possessors therof, <sup>Provand the</sup> the crops and yeares 1690 and 1691, for whilk he is to be comptable and <sup>years 1690</sup> and 1691. make payment to the toune.

20 June 1692.

There was ane tack of the lands of Provand subscriyved in favouris <sup>Tack of land</sup> of George Buchanan, maltman, Robert Buchanan, baxter, and Thomas <sup>of Provand.</sup> Hamiltone, maltman, of the tounes lands of Provand, for the space of eleven yeares frae their entrie, quhilk is to begin to the arrable lands therof at Martimes nixt and to the houses and grass at Beltane nixt thereafter; for quhilk they are to pay to the magistrats and counsell and their successouris, their factouris and chamberlands, in their names, the soume of fyve thousand and four hundreth merks Scots money yearlie.

Nominats and appoints John Crawford of Mylnetoune to repair to <sup>John Craw-</sup> Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires, and particularlie anent what relates <sup>furd, Edin-</sup> to the lands of Provand, and to advyse what is fitting to be done for <sup>burgh, tounes</sup> affaires. getting the toune secured in the saids lands, that they may be keeped free of trouble and expenses in tyme comeing.

Nominats and appoints baillies Sloss and Tennent, dean of gild and <sup>Tennents in</sup> deacon conveyener, to meet with the tennents of Gorballis and try if they <sup>Gorballis loss.</sup> can settle with them anent the ease they are craveing for the loss they alleadge they sustained the tyme the duke of Gordones men did eat and destroy the lands ther.

[On the petition of Thomas Broune, litster, mentioning that he <sup>Libertie to</sup> designs to take down his tenement in Stockwellgate] and to rebuild <sup>build turn-</sup> the samen in stonework for decoreing the toune [the magistrates and <sup>pyck on</sup> council granted to him] also much ground as to build his turnpyck on, <sup>tounes</sup> for the accommodation on his said house, he building the samen decentlie <sup>ground.</sup> for decoreing the toune and paying therefor yearlie to the toune of few dewtie the soume of 12 d. when required.

Tounes ministeris, burges and gildbreither.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to consideration that severall of the tounes ministeris are not as yet admitted burges and gildbreither of this burgh, they therefor appoint the dean of gild to admit and receave such of them burges and gildbreither as are not admitted allreadie, and to quat their fynes and hold the samen as payed.

Woddrow, burges and gildbrether.

Appoints the dean of gild and breithren to admit and receave Henrie Woddrow, tailyeour, burges and gildbrether, be right of his umquhill father who was execute at the cross of Edinburgh, in the year 1666, for being at Paintland Hills, and to pass his fynes on that accompt and the petitioneris povertie, conforme to the supplication given in thereanent.

Grahame, burges.

Appoints the dean of gild to admit David Grahame, indwellar in Glasgow, late servitor to the marques of Montrose, burges, gratis, of the said burgh, and that at desyre of the marchioness of Montrose.

1 August 1692.

Call to Mr. Michael Potter.

The magistrats and counsell being conveyened, and considering that they are destitute and wants ane minister within this burgh, they, after mature advyce and deliberation had theranent, with advyce and consent of the remanent ministeris and kirk session within the samen burgh, thought fit to give ane call to Mr. Michael Potter, minister of the gospell, to be ane of the ordinary ministeris of this burgh; and for prosecuting the said call the magistrats and counsell have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and appoints Mathew Cuming, younger, merchand in the said burgh of Glasgow, to repair to the presbytree of Linlithgow, upon Wedinsday nixt, being the thrid instant, with such as shall be appointed be the kirk session, and to use his endeavouris for getting the said Mr. Michael Potter to accept of the said call to be ane of the tounes ministeris.

15 August 1692.

James Stewart to prosecute call given to Mr. Potter.

The magistrats and counsell convened [narrative in similar terms to minute of 1st August] have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and appoints James Stewart, brother german to the laird of Blackhall, to repair to the presbytree of Linlithgow upon Wedinsday nixt, being the 16th instant, or upon any other day or dayes thereafter, with such as shall



be appointed be the kirk session, and to use his endeavouris for getting the said Mr. Michael Potter to accept of the said call to be ane of the townes ministeris.

29 August 1692.

The magistrats and severall of the toune counsell convened [having Gavine Wood thought fit to give another call to Mr. Michael Potter] nominats and appoints Gavine Wood, merchand, to repair to the said presbytree of Linlithgow upon Thursday nixt, being the first of September nixt to come, or upon any other day or dayes thereafter, with such as shall be appointed be the kirk session, and to use his endeavouris for getting the said Mr. Michael Potter to accept of the said call to be ane of the townes ministeris.

15 September 1692.

Be pluralitie of votts, John Rankine, merchand, is nominat and appointed to be the townes quartermaster, and to quarter the souldiouris that is or shall happine to lye in the toune, and to have the ordinary cellarie as other quartermasteris got formerlie, whilk is ten pound sterling yearlie, and this to continow dureing the magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure.

There was ane tack subscrivit of the toune mylne lands in favours of William Alexander for the space of nyntein years frae his entrie therto, whilk is to the arrable lands at Martinmas nixt, and to the grass and houses at Beltane nixt thereafter, for whilk he is to pay three hundreth merks of tack dewtie, yearlie; and to be free if he pleases at the end of the first sevin yeares.

George Muirhead, merchand, his accompt of the nonpayments receaved be him for the seats in the South Meeting house, resting the 23rd of Apryll 1689, whilk were formerlie revised be baillie Sloss, the dean of gild and William Napeir, wherof charge extends to [£433 10s.], and the discharge of his debursements extends to [£421 7s. 4d.], sua the charge exceeds the discharge the soume of [£12 2s. 8d.] whilk the comptur is to pay in to the townes thesaurer.

James Lawrie, collector of the seats in the East Meeting house, frae the first of October 1688 to the first of Apryll 1689, being the halfe ane year, gave in his accompt of the samen, whilk was formerlie revised be the

forenamed persones, wherof charge extends to [£300 13s.], and the discharge as per accompt of nonpayments and seats that were unset extends to [£158], and what he debursed to Mr. Robert Campbell, by warrand, the soume of [£124], sua rests, whilk is in Gavine Wood, merchand, his hand [£20 3s.], whilk the said Gavine is to pay to the thesaurer.

William Bogle, elder, his accompt of the seats.  
Robert Bogle, his accompt of the seats.

[William Bogill gave in his account "for the seats in the meeting house in the Wynd" from 1st October, 1687, till October, 1688. Charge, £1,616 0s. 4d.; "discharge of his disbursements," the like sum of £1,616 0s. 4d.]

[Robert Bogle, merchant, gave in "his compt of the seats in the Wynd" from 1st October, 1688, till April, 1689. Charge, £842 10s.; discharge, £670 19s.; non-payments given up as resting, £132; balance of £10 10s. 6d. to be paid to the treasurer.]

Gavine Wood, his accompt of the seats.

[Gavine Wood, merchant, "his compt of his collection of the seats in the Inner High Kirk" from 1st September, 1690, till 1st September, 1691. Charge, £1,021; discharge, viz., unpaid, £188; seats unset, £223; money paid to George Buchanan, late treasurer, £596 11s.; and other disbursements, £6 6s. 8d.; balance of £7 2s. 4d. to be paid to treasurer.]

John Watstone, his accompt of the seats.

[John Watstone, tailor, "his compt of what he received for the seats of the Outer High Kirk" from 1st September, 1690, till September, 1691. Charge, £230 5s.; received from preceding collector, £13 10s.; total, £269 15s. Discharge, £172 paid to late treasurer, and £79 15s. to present treasurer.]

Warrand, thesaurer, proveist.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to John Andersone, late proveist, the soume of fyve guinees for his expenses and charges at Edinburgh anent the tounes affaires the haille summer session last, and in going to meet the Earle of Melvill, late secretarie, when he came for Scotland, and in sending ane express to Dundee on the tounes accompt at the convention of burrowes in July last, and in attending at Edinburgh severall dayes upon secretarie Johnstoune in giveing him ane memoriall of the state and condition of the toun and of its povertie, to be presented to his Majestie to see if ther can be any help gottine for its subsistance.

Warrand, thesaurer, condition of burgh.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the soume of four guinees payed be him to the two clerks that came alongst with the two commissioneris who were appointed be the royall burrowes to take ane accompt of the state and conditione of the burghes.<sup>1</sup>

Warrand, thesaurer, men-of-war.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to John Sympson, merchand, the soume of fourtie four pundis Scots monie for his charges and debursements in going to Greinock to hyre four pilots to bring about four of their Majesties men of warr from Leith to Londonderie, in Ireland, be

<sup>1</sup> See printed Records of Convention, vol. Burgh Records Society, pp. 71-5. IV., pp. 581-5; Miscellany of the Scottish

the north coast, in August 1689, and given to them for carying them to Leith, and for the annualrent of the money he debursed since that tyme, whilk is by and attoure the soume of eightein pundis Scots allowed to the said John for ane year's stent he is resting to the toune, conforme to the accompt therof.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, considering that these severall yearis past there is ane considerable loss sustained be the toune of the money whilk should have bein payed for the seats in the churches and meeting houses, through the negligence of these who were appointed frae tyme to tyme to set the saids seats and uplift the rent therof; for remeid wherof in tyme comeing, and to the effect the rent of the saids seats, both in the churches and meeting house, may be punctuallie receaved and gathered in, the saids proveist, baillies and counsell have given and granted, and hereby gives and grants full power and commission to John Ritchie and John How, merchands in Glasgow, to uplift and receive the haill money that is to be payed for the saids seats, both in the churches and meeting house in the Wynd, frae the tackersis and possessouris therof, frae the first of September instant and in tyme comeing, dureing the saids magistrats and counsell and their successouris in office their will and pleasure . . . for whilk they are to have 200 merks yearlie for their paines.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, convened, have concludit and agreed that it is verie fit and convenient that the haill tounes debts and revenewes be booked and keepit apart into severall bookes, be way of ane jurnall book and ane larger, attoure the tounes publick register, to the effect the state and condition of the toune may be the better and easier knowne, and that some fit person may be appointed to keep the saids bookes and insert the compts therin, for whilk they are to give allowance for his paines; and haveing had their thoughts quhat person to employ for that effect, they suppose there can be no fitter person gottine then John Andersone of Dowhill, late proveist, for that purpose, with quhom they have prevailled to keep the saids bookes and to insert the tounes compts therin, dureing the two yeares he was proveist himselfe; and for what allowance he is to have for his paines therin, he refers the samen to the magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure, who is hereby unanimoslie

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appointed to do the samen, and for his paines as said is the same is to be tacken into consideration after the booking of the saids accompts.

The tounes  
to persew the  
laird of  
Greinock.

It is concludit that the tounes persew the laird of Greinock before what judicator shall be thought most fitting, by advyce of lawieris, for the ryot and abuse done be him in imprisoning some persones the tounes employed to put ane door in the house ther, now the tounes, whilk belonged to the fishing societie, and for impeding the tounes to put out the said door, and planting of trees and fixing them to the wall of the tounes closs ther.

Prosecuting  
the call given  
to Mr. Potter.

The magistrats and counsell convened, and takeing to their consideration that upon the first of August last they ordained ane commission to be given to Mathew Cuming, younger, to attend the presbytree of Linlithgow for prosecuting the call given to Mr. Michael Potter to be ane of the tounes ministeris, and on the 15th of August last they commissionat James Stewart to repair ther for that same end, and siclike on the 29th of the said moneth they nominat and commissionat Gavine Wood to repair to Linlithgow for prosecuting the said call, and there being scarcelie ane full quorum of the saids magistrats and counsell when the saids persons were commissionat, they hereby allow and approve of the samen and of the clerks giveing the saids persones commissiones for that effect who was appointed to doe the samen, and declares the samen to be also valide and sufficient as if there had been ane full meeting of the saids magistrats and counsell when the samen was ordained.

George Yets  
free of quar-  
tering  
souldiers.

In answer to the supplication given in be George Yets, tailyeor, mentioning that Alexander Wilsone, his father-in-law, ane aged man about eightie three yeares, and hes nothing to mantaine himself, he being necessitat to keep him in his house, therefor it is concludit that the said George Yets shall be free of quartering, and discharges the quartermaster, present or to come, to quarter any souldiouris on the said George, so long as he shall keep the said Alexander Wilsone in his house.

*27 September 1692.*

John Coats  
account of  
the seats  
given in.

["John Coats, merchand, gave in ane accompt of the money receaved be him for the seats in the Laigh Kirk" from 1st September 1690, till 1st September, 1691. Charge, £1,659 5s. 4d. Discharge—unpaid, £155; not set, £152; disbursed "upon the accompt of the seats," £3 16s.; paid to George Buchanan, late treasurer, £1,142, and to John Aird, present treasurer, £180; balance to be paid to present treasurer, £56 9s. 4d.]

1 October 1692.

Nominats and appoints John Andersone, late proveist, baillie Sloss, <sup>Anent ane well.</sup> dean of gild, deacon conveyener, William Napeir and the master of wark, to meet and commune with John Wilson and agree with him anent the pryce of the well he set doune at the head of the Shitt Wynd, that he may be payed of the expenses therof as they shall agree, to the effect the samen may be made ane publict well for the use of the toune and inhabitants therin and to report.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to their consideration that be <sup>Keeping the cloakes and chymnes.</sup> their act of counsell dated the nynth day of August j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie yearis,<sup>1</sup> they did nominat and appoint Robert Stevinstoune, wright, to keep the haill tounes cloakes and the chimnes in the tolbooth, and for some reasones he was to keep the same the first year gratis, whilk accordinglie he did, and there being ane yearis cellarie resting him since the expiration of the first year, at Lambmass lastbypast, and that in reason they judge it reasonable he should be payed for byganes, and ane cellarie condescendit on to be payed him in tyme comeing, it is therefor hereby concluded that the said Robert Stevinstoune get two hundreth and fiftie merks payed him yearlie, for keeping the saids cloakes and chimnes; and ordaines the tounes thesaurer, present and to come, to pay him the said soume of two hundreth and fiftie merks resting for the yearis cellarie preceeding Lambmass last, and yearlie in tyme comeing, at two termes in the year, Whitsounday and Martinmass be equal portiones, dureing his keeping the saids chimnes and cloakes, which is to continow dureing the magistrats and counsell of the said burgh their will and pleasure.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, baillie Tennent, <sup>Act in favouris of the skinneris anent flesheris.</sup> the dean of gild, and deacon conveyener made report that they had, conforme to the magistrats and counsellis ordour, conveyened the skinneris and fleshers of this burgh and considered the petition given in be the deacon of the skinneris and that incorporation anent the wrong and injurie done be the tounes flesheris and other outtintounes flesheris, by holing and abuseing of the skinns of what sheep they kill and brings to the mercat, and by leaveing the substance and strenth of the skin upon the bouck and tugging the samen in the neck, and the like, whilk report, with the

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Rec., III., pp. 452-3.

double of the act to be given to the skinners for remeiding the injuries done be the flesheris, was read, allowed and approvine, and ordaines the clerk to give out extracts of the samen, whilk is declaired to be also valide as if the samen were subscriv'd be the saids magistrats and counsell, and ordaines the samen to be booked in the counsell book, whereof the tennor follows:—Att Glasgow, the first day of October j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie twa yearis, The whilk day, the proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyen'd, anent the supplication given in to them be John Peadie, present deacon of the skinners, masters and members of the incorporation of the said trade within the said burgh of Glasgow, mentioning that where there is great wrong and injury done be the fleshers within the samen burgh, and otheris repairing therto off the country, in regaird when they slay their sheep they leave the substance and strenth of the skin upon the bouk, and thereby makes the bouk to seem better nor it is, and waikens the skins and holes the same that they will be no work, and merchands who buyes the samen are thereby greatlie prejudged, contrare to the laudable acts of this burgh past theranent, and siclike when they flae their skinns as said is they tugg the samen in the neck, and many times leave little or no neck at all, at most a great sheeps skin will have bot a lambs skins neck, and thereby makes great advantage to themselves, sua that thereby there will be much wooll wanting, quhich is payed for be the merchand and craftisman that buyes the samen; which great enormities and wrongs, that they may be remeedit and the flesheris discharged from acting the like in tyme comeing, and preventing the same, by leaveing the blood holl in the neck with ane lugg at the skin, conforme to the custome of severall royall burghes within this kingdome, as Edinburgh and otheris, and the flesheris ordained to let the same be seen and sighted, conforme to severall former acts, before aither merchand or tradismen receave the same aff their hand, under the paine of confiscation, conforme to the saids acts and other certificationes, as the said proveist, baillies and counsell should think fit, is humblie supplicated for, as the said supplication beares; whilk being read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell, they remitted the samen to baillie Tennent, the dean of gild and deacon conveyener, to conveyen both parties and to commune with them theranent, and make report, and accordinglie they haveing conveyen'd

the petitioners with the flesheris (who for most part were present) and after heareing of both parties, the saids persones to whom the samen was remitted fand the foresaid petition most reasonable, being assented to be the most part of the saids flesheris, and whilk petition and report being considered be the saids magistrats and counsell, they approved and hereby approves of the samen, and discharges the flesheris of this burgh, and all other flesheris repairing therto, to tugg or pull the neck or any part of the skin, thereby diminishing the same in any part, or to leave any of the substance and strenth of the skin upon the bouck, whereby the bouck may seem better than it is, which may weaken the skins, or to hole the samen to the prejudice of the merchands or craftsmen who buyes the same, contrare to the laudable acts of this burgh, and siclike ordaines the flesheris to leave the blood holl in the neck with the halfe of ane lugg at the skin (in respect be the custome and lawes of other royall burghes within this kingdome the fleshers are ordained to leave ane haill lugg at everie skin, and is swa performed by them), and that the samen be seen and sighted before aither merchand or tradismen receave the same aff their hand, conforme to severall acts made theranent, and that under the paine of confiscation of all such skins or hydes that shall be found faultie or keepped up be them unsighted as said is, and farder punishment at the will of the magistrats, and hereby ratifies and approves of all former acts made in favouris of the said incorporation of skinneris, and in caice of variance or difference betuixt any merchand or tradisman and the saids flesheris, it is hereby declaired that the magistrats of the said burgh and their successouris are to determine therintill as they shall think fit. And ordaines the clerk to give out extracts hereof whilk is hereby declaired to be also valide and sufficient as if the saids magistrats and counsell had subscrivit the samen themselves.

The report made be the proveist, John Andersone, late proveist, baillie Tennent, dean of gild, deacon conveyener and baillie of Gorballis, anent the petition given in be the weiveris in Glasgow, against the weiveris in Gorballis, and the comoning they had with both parties concerning the same, was allowed and approvine, with the scroll of the act granted in favouris of the weiveris in Glasgow, ratifeing their former contract betuixt them and the weiveris in Gorballis, and ordaines the clerk to give

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out extracts of the said act accordinglie in favoures of the weivers in Glasgow, and that the samen be insert in the counsell book, whereof the tennor followes:—Att Glasgow, the first day of October, j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie twa yearis. The whilk day, the proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveened, anent the petition given in to them be John Loch, late deacon of the incorporation of the weiveris of the said burgh, for himselfe, with advyce and concurrence of the masters and haill remanent memberis of the said incorporation, mentioning that where be ane transaction between the deacon, masters and remanent memberis of the incorporation of weiveris of the samen burgh, on the ane part, and the weivers of the Gorballis on the other part, dated the tenth day of Apryll j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fiftie sevin yearis,<sup>1</sup> the saids weiveris in Gorballis, in consideration and contemplation of diverse and sundrie privileges and liberties granted to them be the said incorporation of the weiveris of Glasgow, became bound and obleidged that they should not suffer any stranger weiveris to satle himselfe within the said jurisdiction of the regaltie of Gorballis, or to set up any work house or loom without the speciall advyce and consent of the deacon and six of the masters of the incorporation of the weiveris of the said burgh of Glasgow, and the oversman of the weiveris of Gorballis and six of his assessouris, for payment of the soume of fourtie merks Scots money for his upset less or more; item, ilk prenteis takeing up his trade and working at his oune hand paying the soume of sixtein punds monie less or more; item, ilk freemans sone, or any that maries ane freemans daughter, paying the soume of eight punds Scots money less or more, as should be thought good in maner foresaid; and all of them were to be booked in a book which was to be keeped be the weiveris of the burgh of Glasgow; and the respective compositiones abovewrittin to be payed be the saids intrants was to be equallie divydit betueen the poor of the weiveris of Glasgow and the poor of the weiveris of Gorballis; as also be the said agreement they are lyable for twentie shilling yearlie for ilk loom, to be payed quarterlie at the four quarteris in the year, to be applyed to the poor of the weiveris of Glasgow, without prejudice to the weiveris of Gorballis to asstrict themselves in some small thing to be payed to their oune poor in Gorballis; likeas be the said agreement it was agreed upon

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Chart., II., p. 319; Glasg. Rec., II., p. 362.



between the saids parties that it should be leisom and lawfull to every one of the saids freemen weiveris in Gorballis to take ane prenteis, ilk four yearis, who should be bound for fyve yearis, provided that the saids weiveris in Gorballis should not give more to their journeymen prentises than what was usewallie payed be the freemen weiveris of Glasgow to their journeymen, that non of them might be prejudiciall to one another in the point of their servants fees; and in regaird at the tyme of the said transaction and agreement, it was not customarie for the weiveris in Gorballis to have or intertaine any journeymen bot what had been their oun prentises, there was no condition nor liquidation made be the said agreement for the booking money of strangeris journeymen, which the saids weiveris in Gorballis have introduced and made practicable sensyne, and daylie receave journeymen strangeris to them and takes only from them twentie or threttie shilling of booking money, whereas the saids petitioneris be their charter are limited and restricted to the soume of three pund ten shilling eight pennies Scots money for each journeymans booking, whereby the petitioners are greatlie prejudged by their admitting journeymen at ane easier rate then the petitioneris can doe be their said chartor, and is ane express transgression of the said contract of agreement, which obleidges aither partie to doe nae fact nor deed prejudiciall to one anothers priviledges; likeas the petitioneris humblie presumed, that since the liberties and priviledges granted be the weiveris of the burgh of Glasgow to the weiveris of Gorballis was in consideration of their makeing payment to the poor of the incorporation of the weiveris of Glasgow of the just and equall halfe of all compositiones and booking money, and that the custome now introduced of receaveing of strangeris journeymen, being a supervenient priviledge which could not fall under the consideration of the parties transacteris, being then unpracticable, that therefor the saids weiveris of the Gorballis ought not only to be ordained not to receave any stranger journeymen bot such as payed the equivalent bookeing money with the petitioneris journeymen, for preventing a monopolie, bot siclike ought and should be decerned and ordained to make payment to the petitioneris of the just and equal halfe of the said bookeing money, and ordaine them to make payment of the said twentie shilling for each loom at the crafts hospitall of Glasgow, quarterlie, conforme to the said

agreement, as being the undoubted ground and reason for which the weiveris of the burgh of Glasgow did indulge and priviledge the weiveris of the Gorballis with the liberties contained in the said agreement, craveand therefor the saids proveist, baillies and counsell to take the premisses to their serious consideration and prevent the petitioners priviledges from being invadit or violat, and the meanes of their poor from being unsupplied or appropriat to utheris then the designed uses, as the said petition beares. Whilk petition and contract of agreement, past, made and endit betuixt the saids weiveris of Glasgow and weiveris in Gorballis of the date abovespecifit, with the ratification therof be the magistrats and tounne counsell of the said burgh, dated the ellevinth day of the said moneth of Apryll j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fiftie sevin yeares foresaid, and the report of the proveist, baillie Tennent, John Andersone, late proveist, dean of gild, deacon conveneer and Peter Corbet, baillie of Gorballis (of the comoning that was betuixt the saids weiveris of Glasgow and weiveris in Gorballis) who were appointed to hear both parties anent the premissis, being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, and after mature advyce and deliberation had be them theranent, they of new againe, for them and their successouris in office, have ratified, allowed and approve, and hereby allowes, ratifies and approves of the said contract past betuixt the saids weiveris of Glasgow and weiveris in Gorballis, and declares this generall ratification to be also valide as if the samen were verbatim herein-till insert, and in respect, after peruseall of the said contract, they find it hath bein entered into be the weiveris of Glasgow and the weiveris in Gorballis represented in that contract by severall of their oune number, as haveing full power, warrand and commission from the haill remanent weiveris in Gorballis, wherin there is concedit to the saids weiveris in Gorballis, by the weiveris of Glasgow, power to them to choise ane oversman and assessouris, who are to have the government and oversight of the weiveris within their oune incorporation, who have obleidged themselves, and their successouris in office, that everie person weiver in Gorballis that keepes ane or mae loomes or work house ther shall pay, in consideration of their freedome granted be the said contract, twentie shilling Scots, for ilk loom, to the weiveris of Glasgow and their successouris, yearlie and quarterlie, in all tyme thereafter, as is at more lenth contained in the said

contract; as also considering that it was not to be leisom to the weiveris in Gorballis to give or pay any more or greater fees to their journeymen nor is payed to the journeymen in Glasgow of that trade by freemen and burgesses thereof, by which clause, and severall other articles contained in the said contract, it clearlie appeares that it was the designe of both parties contractouris that nothing should be done that might be hurtfull or prejudiciall to the weiveris of Glasgow, by entiseing or drawing away servants or journeymen from the weiveris of Glasgow, by giveing them greater encouragement nor what is given them be the weiveris of Glasgow, and seing the weiveris in Gorballis receive journeymen for payment only of twentie or threttie shilling of booking money, which is fare less then what the weiveris of Glasgow are limited and restricted to be their chartor, which is three pund ten shilling eight pennies for their bookeing, by which incouragement the weiveris in Gorballis draw away and intyse the greatest part of the journeymen as effectuallie as if they did pay more or greater fees to the said journeymen, which is contrare the designe and intent of the saids parties contractouris, and likewayes seing, at the tyme of the said contract, the weiveris in Gorballis were not in use to have any journeymen, and that quhat priviledges were granted to the saids weiveris in Gorballis they did acknowledge it to be from the good will, favour and tollerance of the saids weiveris of Glasgow, and ane dispensing with what right they had granted them be the 156 Act of King James the 6th, parliament 12, intituled Exercise of crafts within suburbs adjacent to burrowes<sup>1</sup> is forbidden; therefore the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, as superiouris and haveing power to determine and decyde in all controversies that may arise betuixt the saids weiveris of Glasgow and weiveris in Gorballis, have inacted and hereby inacts, stututes and ordaines the oversman and assessouris of the weiveris of Gorballis to collect and inbring, to the deacon and collector of the weiveris of Glasgow, the twentie shilling for ilk loom to be payed as aforesaid be the said contract, and likewayes that they shall exact no less then three pund ten shilling eight pennies of bookeing money from everie journeyman admitted be them, and that the samen shall be divydit betuixt the saids weiveris of Glasgow and weiveris in Gorballis, in that same maner and way as the other fees contained in

<sup>1</sup> 1592, c. 76. Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, III., p. 579.

the said contract are to be divydit, and appoints the baillie of Gorballis and his successouris in office to cause the saids fynes to be payed to the said collector of the weiveris of Glasgow and his successouris, for the use abovementioned, be the saids weiveris in Gorballis summarlie without any persute or proces of law, upon application or complaint to be made be the said collector or his foresaids against the weiveris in Gorballis who shall refuse to give obedience and pay the same. And ordaines the clerk to give out extracts hereof.<sup>1</sup>

Wallace, Bell,  
and Bowie to  
get money to  
buy bookes.

The magistrats and counsell, considering that William Wallace, sone to umquhill William Wallace, late baillie, John Bell, sone to umquhill John Bell, merchand, and Archibald Bowie, sone to Malcome Bowie, merchand, were seeking presentationes to be brussaris in the college of Glasgow, and that they could not at present be admitted, all vacand places being otherwayes supplied, therefore they ordane the toun thesaurer to pay to the said William Wallace fourtein pund, and ten pund Scots to ilk ane of the saids John Bell and Archibald Bowie, to help them to buy bookes, to keep them at the College till it be seen if they can be otherwayes provydit.

Biggart to get  
6 li. quarter-  
lie.

It is concludit that John Biggart, sone to James Biggart, woollfyner, get six pund payed him quarterlie, who is goeing to the colledge at Lukemass nixt and inclyning to be ane schollar, to help to keep him at the colledge and buy bookes.

4 October 1692.

Election of  
proveist and  
baillies.

[James Peadie, proveist; John Corse and John Aird, merchants, and John Woddrope, craftsman, bailies.]

7 October 1692.

Counsellors.

[The magistrates of this and the two previous years, with persons appointed to supply vacancoies, chose thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

12 October 1692.

Dean of gild,  
etc.

[John Leckie, dean of guild; Simeon Tennent, deacon convener; John Robert-sone, treasurer; Thomas Peter, bailie of Gorbals; Peter Corbet, water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; John Grahame, of Dougalstoun, procurator fiscal; George Buchanan, visitor of maltmen; Patrick Tennent, visitor of gardeners.]

<sup>1</sup> The foregoing act is printed in "Old Incorporation of Weavers" (1905), pp. 103-6; Glasgow Weavers: being Records of the but the date there is 3rd October, 1692.

15 October 1692.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 12 oz. 7 drop 4 grains; tallow to be sold for 40 s. Bread, tallow, the stone, and candle for 46 s. 8 d. the stone.] candle.

Be pluralitie of votts, Walter Woddrope, maltman, is appointed to Register of take ane accompt, and insert in ane register, the hail persones that shall the dead. happine to deceass within the toun, for whilk ordaines the maister of wark to pay him threttie shilling Scots, weeklie; and thir presents to continow dureing the magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure.

29 October 1692.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, conveyened, and considering they Commission are destitute and wants ane minister within this burgh, they, after mature for ane call advyce and deliberation had theranent, with advyce and consent of for ane minister. the remanent ministeris and kirk session within the samen burgh, thought fit to give ane call to Mr. David Broune, minister of the gospell at Nilstoune, to be ane of the ordinary ministeris of this burgh, and for presecuting the said call the saids magistrats and counsell have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and appoints George Nisbit, late baillie of the said burgh, to repair to the presbytree of Paisley, upon the second day of November nixt, or ane other day or dayes thereafter, with such as shall be appointed be the kirk session, and to use his endeavouris for getting the said Mr. David Broune to accept of the said call to be ane of the tounes ministeris.

The proveist, baillies and counsell have presented and hereby presents Mr. Archibald Mr. Archibald Marshall, schoolmaster at Cairne, to be ane of the doctouris Marshall, in the Grammer Schooll of this burgh, and to have the benefite and doctour, Grammer casualities belonging to the first or second doctor in the said schooll, as is Schooll. afterwards to be determined which of them he is to be preferred to; and appoints Mr. George Skirvine, master of the said schooll, to wryte to the said Mr. Archibald to acquaint him of the said presentation and get his answer if he will accept therof.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, conveyened, anent the petition Davidsons, given in to them be James Davidsons, now in Wester Possill, mentioning burgess and gildbrother, that in the Usurpers tyme he was made burges and gildbrother of the ticket renewed.

said burgh, as he who married (*blank*) Robertstone, daughter lawfull to umquhill Walter Robertstone, maltman, burges and gildbrother thereof, whilk ticket he hes lost, and the samen cannot be found booked in the register, humblie supplicating the saids magistrats and counsell will allow him to be readmitted burges and gildbrother, without paying any dues, seing the samen was payed at his admission; whilk being tacken to their consideration, they appoint the dean of gild to readmit the said James Davidstone burges and gildbrother of the samen burgh without paying any dues to the toune, he allwayes giveing his oath that he was formerlie admitted be vertew of the said right and payed the dues at his admission.

15 November 1692.

Warrant,  
calsey.

Ordaines the late thesaurer to pay to Robert Leitch, calsier, the soume of two hundreth and six pundis Scots, for laying the calsey at the head of the Trongate nixt to the croce, and furnishing necessaris therto.

Incourage-  
ment to build.

It is concludit that Thomas Crawford, elder, of Crawfordsburne get tuentie guniees frae the toune to encourage him to build that tenement of land at the foot of the Saltmercat, whilk formerlie belonged to (*blank*), regularie in sufficient broached ston work for decoreing the toune.

30 January 1693.

Imposition on  
malt.

The act granted, concludit and agreed upon be the visitor and incorporation of the maltmen within this burgh that the imposition on ilk boll of malt shall be continowed and payed for ane year to come, after the first day of Januarij instant, on the termes contained in the said act, wherof the tennor followes:—Att Glasgow [27th December, 1692]. It was unanimsly concludit and agreed that the imposition of ane merk on each boll of malt should be continowed for ane year after the first of Januarij nixt, and that the conditiones of the former agreement should be punctuallie observed be both toune and craft; and particularlie it is provydit that all vintineris and retaileris of brandy, either in chops or houses, who are not ordinarie breweris, shall be lyable in payment of the imposition therof, being six shilling each pynt; and that nae person or persones whatsom-ever shall be tollerat or allowed to import broune ale bot what shall be

lyable to Kings and tounes excyse and imposition, and lyable for the multouris, ladles, and other dues to which burgesses are lyable, and that nae malt shall be allowed to be imported bot what is grund at the tounes mylnes. Whilk act was read, allowed and approvine be the saids magistrats and counsell in the haill heads and articles thereof on the termes abovementioned.

Baillie Woddrope and the dean of gild made report that they have Agreement  
satled with John Wilsone, maltman, and are to give him two hundreth <sup>anent a well.</sup> merks for the well he set doune outwith the West Port, at the head of the Shitt Wynd, the samen being to be made use of as ane publick well for serveing the burgesses and inhabitants in toune; and ordaines the toune thesaurer to pay the said soume of two hundreth merks to the said John Wilsone, he allwayes denudeing himself by writt of any interest he can pretend to the said well and declareing the samen to belong to the said toune for the use as said is, in respect of his payment of the said soume for setting doune the samen.

There was ane ratification and discharge subscrivit be the saids magis- Ratification  
trats and counsell in favoures of Margaret and Lillias Faires and their <sup>and discharge,</sup> husbands, ratifieing the few right of these parts of the lands in Commone, <sup>Margaret and</sup> Lillias Faires.  
formerlie granted to umquhill James Fairie, father to the saids Margaret and Lillias, and clearing the differ anent the meiths and marches of the saids lands in tyme comeing, and also dischargeing them and all others whom it effeires of the pley depending before the lords of counsell and session anent the saids lands and marches therof and of all that hes proceedit therupon; for whilk [William Dunlop is to pay the town 1,000 merks at Whitsunday next].

The paper that was subscrivit be almost the haill merchands in toune, Anent incou-  
and severall other gildbreither within the samen, was produced and read, <sup>agement of</sup>  
whereby they obleidged themselves that non of them, at any tyme here- <sup>merchandize</sup>  
after, shall presume to loaden or unloaden any ship or vessell, or to build, <sup>and naviga-</sup>  
<sup>tion at New-</sup>  
dress or repair the saids ships or vessellis at any port or creik upon the <sup>port.</sup>  
river Clyd, except at Newport Glasgow, and in caice of necessitie at the  
ports of other royall burrowes upon the said river, whilk paper was allowed  
and approvine be the saids magistrats and counsell and appoints the samen  
to be insert in the counsell book, wherof the tennor followes:—[Here

follows the obligation printed in Glasgow Charters, Vol. II., pp. 243-6.] And in regaird the saids magistrats and counsell, considering that it is so material, for perfyteing so good ane work, that all burgesses and merchand traderis within the river of Clyd shall sellar their goods imported or to be exported, at Port Glasgow, or other royall burrowes within the said river of Clyd, under the paines and penalties contained in the acts of parliament, acts of burrowes, tounne counsell of Glasgow, and other lawes and acts made to the contrare, they nominat and appoint the magistrats of the said burgh to put the samen lawes and acts to execution against the contraveeners therof; and if they find it necessar appoints the said magistrats to persew these who shall contravein the premissis before what judicatorie shall be thought fit for the said transgressionies. As also the saids magistrats and counsell, for encourageing the merchand traderis in tounne, be vertew of the comoning past betuixt the magistrats and them, doe hereby inact and condescend to keep the saids merchands and traderis, and all others comeing to Port Glasgow with their goods to liver or loaden, free of payment of any anchorage and all other shoare dues, frae the date hereof till the terme of Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie six yeares. And also the saids magistrats haveing remitted to the tradeing persones in tounne to choise ane committee of their oune number for adjusting, regulating and making the pryces of the cellaris at Newport Glasgow, for the space of ane year after the first of Maij nixt, and to divide the cellaris there amongst themselves as they can best agree, whilk they are to possess as said is for the said yeares space, for paying of the maill for the saids cellaris as they shall think to agree on; whilk agreement and comoning abovewrittin is allowed be the saids magistrats and counsell and to be performed be them. And siclike, recomends to the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener to cause provyde what provisiones shall be thought necessar for encourageing of trade and for dressing of shipps at Newport. And in respect there are severall persones who desires to few parts of the tounnes ground there, appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener, and such other persones as the magistrats shall think fit to goe with them, to repair to Newport and draw ane draught of the haille ground ther, and to try what part therof any person desires to few, and take ane accompt of the same, and to report their dilligence to the counsell.

Anchorage  
and shoare  
dues.

Pryces of  
cellaris.

Ground to be  
fewed.



The magistrats and counsell, conveyened, takeing to their consideration that, upon the twentie nyth day of November last, they ordained ane commission to be given to John Aird, younger, ane of the present baillies, to attend the presbytrey of Paisley, for prosecuting the call given to Mr. David Broune to be ane of the tounes ministeris, and upon the sixth day of Januarij instant they commissionat John Aird, elder, late baillie, to repair to the synod of Air for that same end; and there being scarcely ane full quorum of the saids magistrats and counsell when the saids persones were commissionat, they hereby allow and approve of the samen, and of the clerks giveing the saids persones commissiones for that effect, who was appointed to doe the samen, and declares the samen to be also valide and sufficient as if there had bein ane full meeting of the magistrats and counsell when the samen was ordained.

11 *March* 1693.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Patersone, wright, the soume of ane hundreth and twelve punds, Scots monie, for makeing ane cabinet of shottles to hold the tounes chartoris and paperis, and for furnishing timber and other necessaris therto, conforme to his accompt therof given in and allowed.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to George Muirhead, merchand, the soume of [£135 13s.] Scots, whilk he allowed to the persones following in their rent payable to Hutchesones hospitall, for eaten corne meat and drink furnished to the English trouperis in the year 1680, viz., [£47 0s. 8d. to William Gilchreist; to Gabriel Corbet, £17 14s. 6d.; to John Auchincloss, £14 17s. 6d.; to James Andersone, £14; to James Sheillis, couper, £21 6s.; and to George Stirling, £20 14s. 4d.]; and quhilk soumes was allowed to the toune be the publict in their cess and excyse.

Ordaines the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the soume of three guinzees and a halfe, payed to John Baillie, collector of the cess for the tounes part of the gratuitie given him be the toune and crafts, for the trouble and expenses he hes bein and is to be at anent the exemption of the cess for their mortified lands.

Ordaines the tounes thesaurer to pay to William Lindsay, carter, the soume of fourtein punds Scots for the loss of ane horse he had killed by

some of the earle of Argylls officeris, he being commandit to furnishe them horse, be the baillies for the tyme, to goe to Killmarnock with Argyles regiment.

Loukes  
barnes, meet-  
ing house.

Appoints baillie Corse, George Nisbet and Francis Stevinsone to sight the barnes belonging to John Louke, and consider whether they be better or worse in makeing them ane meeting house and to report.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
barronie kirk.

Ordaines the toune thesaurer to pay to George Nisbet, glasenwright, the soume of eighty four pund eight shilling Scots money, as the tounes part in repairing the Barronie kirk, for their proportion of the lands of Provand and Liningshaugh.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
regiment of  
foot.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Smith, merchand, the soume of twentie six punds Scots monie, for his expenses and horse hyre in going to Edinburgh and offering ane regiment of foot to the privie councill, in name of the toune, for their Majesties service, conforme to the accompt therof subscrivit be the dean of gild.

Chartor,  
John Aird,  
younger,  
Gorbals.

There was ane chartor of adjudication subscrivit in favoures of John Aird, younger, merchand, of ane tenement of land, high and laigh, back and foir, with kill, barne and yeard lyand in Gorballis, and adjudged be him frae Archibald Maxwell, ther, for payment of the ordinary few dewties used and wont in all tyme comeing, the bygane few dewties being remitted to him for service done be him to the toune.

Ane few  
dewtie given  
doune to  
Thomas  
Crawfurd,  
elder, Salt-  
mercat.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, and takeing to their consideration that Thomas Crawfurd, elder, of Crawfurdsburne, hes bought and acqyred that tenement of land, high and laigh, lyand within the territorie of the said burgh, at the foot of the Saltmercat and on the west syde of the samen, whilk is now ruinous, and is boundit betuixt the landes of (*blank*) on the north, the lands of Frederick Hamiltoune on the south, and the Kings high street on the east parts, and which tenement of land the said Thomas Crawfurd is resolved to build, and for his encouragement to build the samen regularlie in sufficient weill broched ston work for decoreing the toune, the proveist declares that the said Thomas had not only ane promise to get twentie guinzees payed him be the toune to make the said building effectuell, for whilk he hes ane act of the magistrats and toune counsell for paying him the said soume, bot also the toune was to discharge him of the soume of (*blank*) of few

dewtie the saids lands are lyable to pay them yearlie, and that both what is resting for byganes and lykewayes in tyme comeing; therefore the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, for them and their successouris in office, on the condition above and after mentioned, have exonered and discharged and hereby exoneris and discharges the said Thomas Crawford, and all otheris whom it effeires, of the said soume of (*blank*) of few dewtie payable out of the saids lands yearlie, and that of all yearis and termes bygane resting owing unpaid, and siclike yearlie and termle in tyme comeing, and declares the saids lands to be free of the said few dewtie in all tyme hereafter, and ordaines the samen to be scored out of the tounes rental, on that condition that the said Thomas Crawford build the said house regularlie in sufficient broached stonwork for decoreing the toune as said is.

17 April 1693.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyned, there was ane contract of agreement subscrivit be the toune and William Andersone, sone and air to umquhill William Andersone, late proveist of the said burgh, whereby the saids magistrats and counsell are to pay to the said William Andersone the soume of ane thousand merks, on the accompt of the fyne imposed on the said William Andersone, his father, by his Majesties privie counsell of this kingdome, as being the tounes commissioner to the convention of burrowes in the year 16[75];<sup>1</sup> and whilk soume of ane thousand merks is payed to the said William Andersone on the termes and conditions contained in the said agreement and discharge made betuixt the toune and him theranent.

6 May 1693.

The proveist, baillies and counsell conveyned, and takeing to their consideration the bad condition of the toune, and the publick burdines they are obleidged to pay and debts they are resting, whilk the toune is not able to pay without some bountie and gift be granted to them by authoritie to helpe to do the samen, and the parliament being now sitting it is thought fit and convenient that some persones be appointed to repair to Edinburgh and make application to his Majesties high commissioner

Agreement betuixt the toune and William Andersone, anent his fathers fine.  
Persones appointed to supplicat the parliament for some gift or gratuitie.

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Chart., II., pp. 392, 395, 408.

and the estates of parliament for getting some gratuitie or gift to help to pay the tounes publict burdens and other publict debts, and the maintenance of the government, therefor the saids magistrats and counsell nominats and appoints the proveist, baillie Woddrope and dean of gild to repair to Edinburgh with John Andersone, late proveist, and John Corse, baillie, who are at Edinburgh, to use their outmost endeavouris, and to consult lawers anent the supplicating the parliament for getting what possible can be had for helping to releive the toune of their publict burdines and debts, and defraying other charges for serveing the government, and to use their outmost endeavour and take what methods they shall think most propper for getting the bussines made effectuall, and that any three of the saids persones shall have power to manage the said affaire, and to grant allowances to such persones as shall be assisting to the toune therin, as they shall find just and reasonable, whilk the saids magistrats and counsell obleidges them hereby to cause satisfie, and to releive the saids persones who are trusted to manage the said affaire of what they shall engadge for on that accompt.

29 May 1693.

Anent  
tackeing of  
the plack on  
ilk pynt of ale  
and imposi-  
tion upon  
aquavyttie.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, and takeing to their consideration, that be act of their Majesties estates of parliament there is three pennies Scots monie to be exacted and payed to their Majesties aff ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir, and two shilling aff ilk pynt of strong wateris, to be broune, vented, topped and sold within this kingdome, by and attoure two merks Scots formerlie laid on and payed for ilk boll of malt broune and vented within the same, frae the first day of Junij nixt, 1693, till the first of Junij, 1695, being for the space of twentie three moneths,<sup>1</sup> whilk imposition and additionall excyse is set be the publict to Adam Gordone of Dalfollie dureing the said space, and the toune haveing the excyse tacken and in their oune hands of two merks on ilk boll of malt swa broune and vented within this toune, conforme to the former act of parliament, it is thought fit and necessar that the toune have also the said three pennies of the pynt and two shilling of the pynt that is to be exacted aff the ale and strong wateris, in maner abovewrittin, tacken for their use, therefore the saids proveist, baillies and counsell have com-

<sup>1</sup> 1693, c. 10. Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, IX., p. 254.

missionat and appointed, and hereby commissionats and appoints John Andersone of Dowhill, late proveist, John Corse, baillie, who were at Edinburgh, and James Slosse, late baillie, with George Buchannan, visitor of maltmen, to repair to Edinburgh and there to meet and treat with the said Adam Gordone of Dalphollie, and any other person concerned, and take the said imposition of three pennies laid on upon ilk pynt of ale, and two shilling on ilk pynt of strong wateris, to be broune, vented and sold within this burgh, conforme to the said act of parliament, dureing the said twentie three moneths, for the use of the toune, and that at also easie ane rate as possible they can, and what the saids persones does in the premissis the said proveist, baillies and counsell hereby obleidges them and their successouris in office to stand and abyde therat, and to accept of the tack aff their hands in caice they shall take the said imposition, and releive them of what tack dewtie they shall obleidge themselves therefor.

6 June 1693.

[Mills, 8300 merks; ladles, 4160 merks; meal market and pecks, 1000 merks; Common good set.  
tron, 1040 merks; bridge, 1710 merks.]

13 June 1693.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, and tackeing Anent the  
to their consideration that there is ten moneth and ane halfe moneths stent.  
cess laid on be this present session of parliament, whereof the thrid part  
was payable be the said act the latter end of Maij last, whereof this  
burghes proportion for the said thrid part extends to fyve hundreth  
twentie fyve pounds sterling, whilk is by and attoure the sevin moneth  
and halfe moneths cess yet resting, whilk was laid on be ane former act  
of parliament and is payable at three termes, viz., Lambmass and Candle-  
mass nixt, and Lambmass thereafter, 1694, wherof this burghes proportion,  
payable at Lambmass nixt, extends to four thousand fyve hundreth pundis  
Scots money, and whilk cess cannot be payed without laying on ane stent  
on the inhabitants for the samen, as also that the toune will have  
[2,533 6s. 8d.] to pay for this last yearis burrow dewes, and to pay the  
clerks to the said stent and collectouris for ingathering therof, whilk will  
extend in haill to twentie thousand merks Scots, for whilk soume the

Stent  
masteris  
choisen.

inhabitants of necessitie most be stented, and farder considering that the saids magistrats and counsell are warranted and authorized be act of parliament to lay on the said stent and to choice stent masteris for that effect, therefore they have made choice of John Cuming, John Gray, Thomam Gilchreist, Ninian Gilhagie, William Scott, merchands, John Patersone wright, James Hutchesone cordoner, John Miller maltman, Archibald Miller, tailzeor, William Waterstoune, hammerman, to be stent masteris, hereby empowering them to lay on the said soume of twentie thousand merks of stent, upon the haill heretouris, merchands, craftis-men, victuallers, breweris, vintineris, and all other persones that shall be found lyable to pay the samen for paying this burghes proportion of the cess, burrow dewes and utheris foresaid, whilk is payable in maner above-mentioned, and earnestlie recomends to the said stent masteris to lay on the said stent with all convenient dilligence, for whilk this present act shall be their warrand, and appoints the magistrats to call for the saids stent masteris, and take their oathes *de fidei administratione* in the said affaire.

Stent  
masteris  
sworne.

Thereafter, in presence of the proveist, baillies Aird and Woddrope, compeared the saids John Cuming, Ninian Galhagie, John Gray and William Scott, merchands, John Miller, maltman, William Waterstoune, hammerman, and James Hutchesone, cordoner, who did accept and give their oathes.

19 June 1693.

Anent the  
twa pennies  
of the pynt.

The proveist, baillie and counsell being conveened, the proveist produced ane letter direct from Edinburgh be John Andersone of Dowhill, makeing mention that there is ane act of parliament past in favoures of this toun for two pennies on ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir that shall be broune and vented within the samen, for such ane space as it shall please his Majestie to determine, to whom be the said act the samen is remitted, the number of yearis allwayes not exceeding threttein, and with some other provisiones, as is contained in the said act, be the whilk letter Dowhill desires the proveist, and such utheris as shall be thought fit to goe alongst with him, with all conveniencie, to repair to Edinburgh, to advyse farder anent the said affaire, and to ordour how the gratuities shall be ordoured and payed to these persones who have been the tounes friends

Gratuities to  
the tounes  
friends.

theranent; whilk being tacken to the saids proveist, baillie, and counsell their consideration, they have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and appoints the proveist, with John Leckie, dean of gild, and John Woddrope, baillie, to repair immediately to Edinburgh, and give the tounes thanks to such as have bein the tounes friends and assisting to them in obtaining the said act for the said imposition, and for ordoring the payment of such gratuities to these persones to whom it shall be thought fit to give the samen.

The persones following swore the oath of allegiance and subscrivit the samen, and the assureance, viz.:—John Leckie, dean of gild of the said burgh, Simeon Tennent, deacon conveneer, William Napeir, James Slosse, and John Gilchreist, three of the dean of gilds breithren, George Robertstone, deacon of the hammermen, George Buchannan, visitor of maltmen, James Todd, deacon of the weiveris, John Peadie, deacon of the skinneris, Patrick Tennent deacon of gardineris, Andrew Manie, deacon of cordiners, Hugh Blair, postmaster, Robert Robertstone, clerk to the gardineris, Adam Wilsone, clerk to the hammermen, William Andersone, clerk to the skinneris, Thomas Falconer, clerk to the weiveris and massones, John Marshall, clerk to the tailzeouris, Quintine Reid, clerk to the wrights, Robert Forrest, clerk to the bonnetmakeris, and William Bryce, clerk to the cordineris and flesheouris, as also George Andersone as clerk to the dean of gilds court and deacon conveneeris house ther, being convened, who did all in obedience of the act of parliament and act of their Majesties privie councill, bearing date at Edinburgh the 23 and 30 dayes of Maij lastbypast, respective, in presence of the saids proveist, baillie, and toun counsell convened, swore the oath of allegiance and subscrivit the samen with their hands, whereby they and ilk ane of them did solemnly promise and swear that they should be faithful and bear true allegiance to their Majesties King William and Queen Mary, as also the haill forenamed persones, in presence of the said proveist, baillie, and toun counsell convened, did subscrivve the assureance underwrittin, whereby they did, in the sinceritie of their hearts, asseft, acknowledge and declare that their Majesties King William and Queen Mary are the only lawfull and undoubted Soveraignes of this realme, as weell *de jure*, that is of right King and Queen, as *de facto*, that

Several persones sworn the oath of allegiance and subscrivit the same and the assureance.

is in the possession and exercise of the government; and therefor they and ilk ane of them did sinceerlie promise and engadge that they will, with heart and hand, life and goods, mantaine and defend their Majesties tittle and government against the late King James and his adherents, and all other enemies, who either by opine or secreet attempts shall disturb or disquyet their Majesties in the possession or exercise therof.

*27 June 1693.*

Dowhill, convention of burrowes.

Johne Andersone of Dowhill, late proveist, be pluralitie of votts, is elected and choisen to attend the generall convention of burrowes, as the tounes commissioner, that is to sit at Edinburgh the first Tuesday of July nixt, conforme to the missive direct for that effect, and appoints the clerk to give him ane commission for that end after the ordinary form.

*13 July 1693.*

Warrand, thesaurer, vacant kirks.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Mr. John Gray and Mr. Thomas Blackwell, each of them threescore pundis Scots, for their helping and supplieing the ministeris in toun, in preaching in vacand kirks and examining the persones in the midle quarter, and to pay to Mr. William Kyll fourtie pundis Scots for his preaching and supplieing the vacancies within the toun.

Herring barrellis at Newport.

Be pluralitie of votts, Robert Caddell, merchand, is nominat and appointed to sight and gadge the barrellis of all herrings that are to be made and exported out of Clyd, conforme to the act of parliament made theranent, and to see the sufficiencie and insufficiencie therof and to make the barrellis accordinglie, and appoints the said Robert to fulfill the tennor of the act of parliament for his faithfull exerceing the said office, and that he live and make his residence at Newport Glasgow dureing his exerceing the said office, whilk is to continow for ane year to come, commencing frae the date heirof and also long thereafter as the saids magistrats and counsell shall think fit and dureing their will and pleasure, and ordaines his act and commission given him theranent to be insert in the principall counsell book. Wherof the tennor followes:—Att Glasgow, the 13 day of Julij, 1693 yearis, the whilk day the proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveneend, and tackeing to their con-



sideration that be ane act of this current parliament, bearing date the ellevinth day of Maij lastbypast,<sup>1</sup> makeing mention that our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queens Majesties considering how much the loyall cureing and packing of herrings and salmond fish, to be exported furth of this kingdome, contribute to the advancement of trade and general good of the nation, did therefore, with advyce and consent of the estates of parliament, statute and ordaine and enact that all casks to be made hereafter, for exporting of herring or salmond fish, be made of weil seasoned knappell or oake timber, free from all whyte wood or worme holes, the heads of the cask doune,<sup>2</sup> the step or stave of a thrid part of ane inch at least in thicknes, and that nane of the staves be rift or clift, and that ilk barrell for exporting of herring containe eight gallones and two pynts, and ilk barrell for exporting salmon ten gallones, and be full houped at least on the ane end, and have eight houpees on the other end, and siclike that there be keeped, in each royall burgh where casks for export are made, a burning seall for marking of such casks, and that the magistrats or dean of gild of the respective burghes appoint ane honest couper for whom they will be answerable for visiteing and tryall of all barrellis made for export, and that the makeris of the cask put his oun mark upon them before he sell them, and call ane couper appointed be ane royall burgh to try them, and if they be found sufficient, that he put the publict seall of the burgh upon them, for which the said couper is to have four shilling Scots for ilk last from the maker, and that ilk barrell which after such tryall shall be found unsufficient, be confiscated and disposed upon for the use of the poor within the paroch where they are made, excepting such parts therof as the respective magistrats shall think fit to give to the couper visitor within the burgh for his encouragement; and if the said casks shall be found unsufficient after the publict mark of the burgh is so affixed thereon, the couper who visite the samen is to pay six pundis Scots for ilk last and proportionallie for ilk barrell; and whatever caskis shall be put aboard before they be visited and marked as said is, the same are to be seized and confiscated as unsufficient and applyed for the use abovementioned. And siclike that all herring and salmond for

<sup>1</sup> Act dated 12 May, 1693, in Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. IX., p. 260.

<sup>2</sup> Instead of "doune" the word "dowled" (meaning fastened) is printed in said acts.

export be made pyned and cured with French, bay or Spanish salt, or with salt upon salt made of forraigne salt, and that all herring for export (excepting such herrings as are exported to the Sound before the tenth of September yearlie) be repacted, weill filled and washed; and in like maner that the magistrats in ilk royall burgh appoint ane honest man of judgement and skill in cureing and packing of herring, for whom they shall be answerable, to visite all herrings exported out of their presinct, who is to have a publick burning mark and to affix the samen upon all casks which are found sufficientlie cured and packed, and if any shall be found unsufficientlie cured or packed after visiteing and trying therof, they are to be seized and confiscated for the uses foresaids, and the first buyer is in that case to have recourse against the curer and macker of the said herrings, bot if the unsufficiencie therof be discovered at the port of discharge, and be made appear aither by legall probation from that place, tacken before the dean of gild or merchand judge, or be the attestation upon oath of the master of the ship who exported the samen, and two merchands of good fame, declareing the said unsufficiencie, and that the samen hapened throw the not right cureing, makeing or packing of the herrings at first, then the merchand exporter is to have recourse for the whole dammage sustained be the unsufficiencie therof against the first maker or curer of the saids herrings; and for rendering the said course effectuall all cureris and mackers of herrings shall put their oun mark upon their cask by a burning iron, and whatever herrings are exported without the makeris mark upon the cask, the merchand shall have no recourse for damages through the unsufficiencie therof, and in case any cask with herring be shipped for export without the said mark the respective visitouris who shall make discoverie therof are hereby authorized and empowered to seize and confiscat the same for the uses foresaids. Likeas their Majesties, with consent foresaid, ordaine and appoint the saids visitouris for the severall burghes to be admitted to that trust upon their tackeing ane oath *de fidei administratione* and finding sufficient cawtion for that effect, and that for their paines therin they shall have six shilling Scots from the merchand or ouner for ilk last to be marked be them in maner foresaid, as the said act of parliament of the date foresaid in itselfe more fullie proports. And in respect the saids

proveist, baillies and counsell are assured of the honestie, judgement and skill of Robert Caddell, merchand in Glasgow, and of his fitness for manageing the office of couper visitor in maner and to the effect above-specifeit, who has given his oath of fidelitie and found sufficient cawtion for that effect, therefore the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, for themselves and their successouris in office, doe hereby nominat and appoint the said Robert Caddell to take inspection of all herring or salmond casks or barrells, and make tryall of the samen as their couper and visitor, appointed be them for that effect, and to receave the dues therefor, and doe all other things necessar theranent relative to the said office, in maner and conforme to the said act of parliament; as also the saids magistrats and counsell, for themselves and their successouris foresaids, doe hereby nominat and appoint the said Robert Caddell to be visitor of all herrings and salmond fish within the presincts belonging to this burgh, to be exported out of this kingdome, with power to him to affix the tounes burning mark upon all casks which shall be found sufficientlie cured and [packed], and to take the appointed dewes for the same, and to doe and exerce all other things theranent relative to the saids offices, in maner and conforme to the act of parliament abovementioned; and thir presents to continow and endure for the space of ane year commencing frae the date of thir presents, and swa lang thereafter as the saids magistrats and counsell and their successouris in office shall think fitt, on these termes that the said Robert Caddell shall dureing this commission live and make his residence at Newport Glasgow, and ordaines the clerk to give out extracts hereof whilk is hereby declaired to be also valide as if the saids magistrats and counsell had subscrivit the samen themselves.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, Marshall, and takeing to their consideration that they have presented Mr. Archibald <sup>eldest doctor of Grammer Schooll.</sup> Marshall to be ane of the doctouris of the Grammer School of this burgh, conforme to their act made in his favouris for that effect, dated the 29 day of October 1692, bot be the said act it was not determined whether the said Mr. Archibald should be first or second doctour, therefore the saids proveist, baillies and counsell doe, be thir presents, declare that the said Mr. Archibald Marshall shall be eldest doctor in the said school, and appoints him to have the casualities belonging to the samen dureing his

exerceing of the said office, whilk is to continow dureing the saids magistrats and counsell their will and pleasure.

27 July 1693.

William  
Carmichaell,  
made jayllor  
of the  
tolbooth.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, in answer to the supplication given in and presented to the saids magistrats and counsell at the instance of William Carmichaell, tailzeor, they have nominat and appointed, and hereby nominats and appoints the said William Carmichaell to be jayllor and keeper of the tolbooth within the said burgh, now vacant through the decease of Walter Brock, late jayllor therof, with power to him to uplift and intromet with the dewes and casualties belonging therto, for his oun behove, on these termes and conditiones, that the said William give sufficient band and cawtion for his manageing and exerceing the said office faithfullie and honestlie, and freithing the toune of all hazard and skaith they may sustaine throw his default therintill, and that betuixt and the twentie fourth day of August nixtcome, wherintill if he failyie this present act is hereby declaired to be voyd and null, and that it shall be leisom to the magistrats and counsell to appoint any person jayllor they shall think fit, and in the meantyme ordaine the said William Carmichael to be put in possession of the said place presentlie, till the said twentie fourth day of August nixt, and to take his oun band for keeping the toune skaithles till that tyme, and it is hereby declaired that notwithstanding of the said cawtion to be found this present act and nomination is only to continow thereafter dureing the magistrats and counsell and their successouris their will and pleasure.

31 July 1693.

Anent the  
takeing of the  
imposition on  
ale, beir and  
strong  
wateris.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, there was ane letter direct to (*blank*) Boyle of Kelburne, makeing offer to the toune of the additionall excyse of three pennies to be exacted aff ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir, and two shilling Scots for ilk pynt of strongwateris, to be broune, vented and sold within this burgh and suburbs therof, laid on be the late act of parliament, for the space of twentie three moneths, commencing frae the first of Junij last, whilk being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they have concludit

and agreed that the said imposition be tacken for the tounes use, in caice the same can be had at such ane rate as is hereafter named and condescendit on, therefore the saids magistrats and counsell have nominat and commissionat and hereby nominats and commissionats John Leckie, dean of gild of the said burgh, and Peter Corbet, their water baillie, to repair to Edinburgh and use their outmost endeavours for tacking the said imposition of three pennies to be exacted aff ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir, and two shilling aff ilk pynt of strongwateris, to be broune, vented and sold within this burgh and suburbs therof, laid on conforme to the said act of parliament, for the said space of twentie three moneths, the saids commissioneris allwayes not giveing above the sounge of fourtie six thousand merks of tack dewtie for the said imposition for the said space, and whilk sounge before they want the tack they are hereby impowered to give the samen, whilk the saids magistrats and counsell hereby obleidges them and their successouris in office to pay and relieve the saids commissioneris therof and of all danger they shall incurr therthrow in caice they take the samen.

The saids magistrats and counsell have allowed and approvine and hereby allowes and approves of the commission following, given to George Lyon to the effect underwritten, be the proveist, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener, whereof the tennor followes:—Wee the proveist, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveener of the burgh of Glasgow, for ourselves and in name and behalfe of the remanent tounse counsell and communitie of the said burgh, doe hereby commissionat and appoint capitane George Lyon forthwith to repair to Port Glasgow, or any other convenient place where he shall think most fit, and agree with ane carpentar or carpentaris to build ane hulke, for haleing over, carrying and dressing of all shippis repairing to Newport Glasgow, and to buy all timber, plank and utheris needfull for building the said hulke, and also for agreeing with any person he shall think fit, for setting up the parches now fallen doune betuixt Newport and Crawforddyck, for encourageing all ships and merchands to repair to Newport Glasgow, and, notwithstanding of the foresaid particulars, wee doe hereby give full power to the said capitane George Lyon to doe all other things needfull anent the premissis, alsfreelie as wee might doe ourselves before the makeing hereof, and wee, for our-

Commission  
given to  
George Lyon  
to build ane  
hulke.

selves and in name and behalfe foresaid, and our successouris in office, obleidge ws to refund and pay to the said George Lyon what charges and expenses he shall expend and deburse or agree for anent the saids affaires. In witnes quherof, wee have subscrivit thir presents, at Glasgow, the 25 day of Julij, 1693 yearis.

14 August 1693.

Anent the  
three pennies  
on ale, etc.

[Appointed the magistrates and others "to meet with Adam Gordone, of Dalphollie, who is here at Glasgow," and to try to agree with him for the impost on beer and strong waters "at the best advantage they can for the use of the toune."]

Decreit,  
procurator  
fiscall, and  
James  
Peadie,  
proveist,  
against  
Robert  
Brock.

Sittand in judgement, John Corse and John Aird, two of the baillies, and ane quorum of the toune counsell of Glasgow, anent the bill of complaint raised intended and persewed before them at the instance of Charles Stewart, wryter, *pro hac vice* procurator fiscall, and James Peadie, present proveist of the said burgh, for his interest, upon Robert Brock, late baillie of the said burgh, makeing mention that where be the common law of nationes and be the municipall lawes of this realme, the acts and statutes of this burgh agreeable therto, and the particular acts and engagements of all the nighbouris and burgesses receaved in the incorporation therof at their admission, the persones, fame and authoritie of magistrats, bearing publict office, is held inviolable, and all due and lawfull obedience and subjection due to them by all the burgesses and inhabitants of this burgh, yet neverthelesse the said Robert Brock, in manifest contempt of their Majesties authoritie, represented in the magistrats, and without all regard to his burges oath, by which he is obleidged to all dewtifull obedience and submission to them, and to mantaine and defend their authoritie with his person and goods, did upon the ellevinth day of August instant, about five or six houres in the afternoon, in the dwelling house of Jonnet Gilchreist, widow, in the said burgh, and relict of umquhil Alexander Thom, misson ther, without all feare of God and regaird to authoritie, in presence of the said proveist, and many other famous witnesses, revile, slander and defame the said James Peadie, proveist, by calling him ane villaine, ane rascall, ane cheat, ane knave, void of all religion and fear of God, ane wolfe in sheepes cloathing, and

that he had bein the cause of ruine to the said Robert Brock and his familie, and that he had hazarded the ruine of his soull, because the said Robert Brock alleagit he had not tacken the name of God in vaine these four yearis bygane, bot when he was provocked therto be the said James Peadie, which with many other vile and unchristian expressiones he then uttered and declaired, and that he would subecryve all he had said; and when ane other of the magistrats spoke of calling him to ane accompt therefor, he threatned him with a staffe, and said neither the proveist nor he durst put him in prisone; which being verified and provine, the said Robert Brock ought to be fyned and unlawed in the soume of ane thousand punds, for pious uses within the said burgh, at the saids magistrats and counsell their sight, and his burges and gildbrother ticket and haill freedom and libertie thereby belonging to him ought to be riven and cancelled and declaired to be void and null, and the said defender ought also to be expelled and extruded out of this burgh and territories therof, as ane person infamous and perjured by contraveining his burges oathe, and to be farder punished in his person at the saids magistrats and counsell their sight and determination, in example of utheris to committ the like; as the said bill of complaint beares. Whilk bill of complaint, witnesses depositiones, and supplement afterspecifeit, and executiones therof, being heard, seen and considered be the saids magistrats and counsell, and they therewith and with the defenderis contumacie being weill and rypelie advised, they, be their decreit and sentence, fynes the said defender, Robert Brock, in the soume of fyve hundreth merks, Scots monie, to be payed for the use of the poor, and finds, decernes and declares his right of burges and gildbrother of this burgh to be null and void in all tyme comeing, and decernes the same to be cryed doune and proclaimed accordinglie, upon the head of the tolbooth stair, and appoints the defendar to be apprehendit and detained in prison till he make payment of the fyne, and reserves what farder punishment the magistrats and counsell shall inflict upon him to the saids magistrats and counsell their consideration, and that because the said defendar, being personallie warned be James Moriesone, officer, on Satturday last, in the defender his oune chop, to have compeared before the said John Corse, ane of the baillies of the said burgh, that day, and the said defendar, being also warned at his

dwelling house and at the mercat croce of Glasgow, after the crying of three severall oyesses therat, be George Young, officer, to have compeared before the saids magistrats and counsell this day and place, dewlie verified be the saids respective officeris upon oath, and also the counsell, being conveyened and sitting, they caused the said George Young, after three severall oyesses cryed be him, call the said Robert Brock at the tolbooth stairhead to answer to the said lybell or complaint, and because the said defendar compeared not, the magistrats and counsell of the said burgh fand the samen bill of complaint relevant and admitted the same to the said persewaris their probation; who for proveing therof adduced dilligence on witnesses, viz., John Anderson of Dowhill, late proveist of Glasgow, Mr. Robert Selkrig, wryter ther, and John Hamiltoun of Bardowie, who was cited as witnesses in this action, conforme to ane supplement frae the commissar of Glasgow, citation theron and execution therof extant in process, who compeared and deponed theranent as followes, viz.:—Mr. Robert Selkrig, of the age of 48 yeares or thereby, married, sworne, purged of partiall counsell, deponeth that upon the 11th of August, 1693, betuixt fyve and six houres in the afternoon, the defender Robert Brock came into the rounge where proveist Peadie was, in the house of widow Thom, and after he had said that he was come in to subscryve a paper, and the proveist asked what paper, the deponent said: I suppose it be ane prorogation of your submission, and then the defender without any provocation brack out in ane furie and rage and called James Peadie, proveist, ane villaine, ane rascall, ane cheat, void of all religion and fear of God, and was ane wolfe in sheeps cloathing, and that he had ruined him and his familie and wad be the dead of his wife, and that he wold force him to pledge or sell his estate within eight dayes; and that he uttered many vile expressiones, and said he wold subscryve what he had said and wad prove all; and whether he uttered the word knave or not does not remember positive, bot he used suchlike expressiones and said that he had not tacken the name of God in vaine these four yeares untill that James Peadie had tempted him since they had to doe together. This he depones to be of veritie, as he shall answer to God, *causa scientiæ* he was in the rounge with proveist Peadie when Robert Brock came in and was there till he went away; and also depones that



when baillie John Corse called for ane officer to put the defender in prison the deponent saw the defender lift his staffe and heard him say that neither yee, Sir, nor the proveist dare put me in prison. This he depones as he shall answer *ut supra*, and *causa scientiæ patet. Sic subscribitur*: Mr. Rot. Selkraig with my hand. Compeared John Hamiltone of Bardowie, of the age of 42 yeares, or thereby, married, purged of partiall counsell, sworne and examined, depones that the tyme lybellit, in widow Thoms house, the defender, without any provocation, brack out in ane furie and rage, and called the said James Peadie, proveist, ane villaine, ane rascall, ane cheater, ane knave, and that he had been the ruine of his familie, and that he had not tacken the name of God in vaine these four yeares bygane bot when he was provocked be the said James Peadie, and that he wold be necessitat to pledge or sell his estate within eight dayes, through the wrong and oppression he had receaved frae the said James Peadie; and this he depones to be of veritie as he shall answer to God, *causa scientiæ* he was present when these words were utered, and that he left the proveist and defendar together, and knowes not what farder past betuixt them thereafter. *Sic subscribitur*: Jo: Hamiltone. John Andersone, of the age of 55 yeares or thereby, widower, depones conforme to Mr. Robert Selkraig, except as to the prorogation in the narrative, as to which he heard Robert Brock say he came to subscriye a prorogation, bot does not remember the rest of the words that passed betuixt them anent the prorogation of the said submission, and as to the said Robert his saying the proveist wold be the dead of his wife, *non memivit*; and as to the last part anent the lifting of the staffe to baillie Corse, he rememberis that when the baillie called for ane officer, as the said Robert was going out of the rouse, he turned about and shooke his staffe in a menaceing threatining maner, darreing the baillie, with severall opprobrious expressions, bot cannot be positive what these were, bot rememberis positivelie that he heard the defendar call the proveist a knave, *causa scientiæ*, conforme to Mr. Robert Selkraig; and this he depones to be of veritie, as he shall answer to God. *Sic subscribitur*: J. Anderson. And the persewaris instead of all farder probation repeated the depositiones of the witnesses, supplement and executiones therof and process and renuned probation, whilks all proved the said bill of complaint sufficientlie, as was clearlie

understood to the saids magistrats and toune counsell, who therefor fyned, decerned, declaired, appointed and reserved, in maner abovementioned, and ordaines letteres and executorialis necessar to pass and be direct hereupon in forme as effeires, after the charge hereby warranted to be given is ordourlie given and expyred.

19 August 1693.

Dowhill produced ane jurnall and legar book of debtor and creditor.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, John Andersone, of Dowhill, late proveist of the said burgh, produced ane jurnall and legar book, wherein the whole debts, comon goods and utheris belonging to the toune of Glasgow are insert, containing debtor and creditor, and that frae the first day of August, 1689, till the first day of August, 1691, by which it does appear that there is ane considerable debt payed dureing that tyme; and to the effect the veritie of the samen may be made knowne to the haill inhabitants in toune concerned, the saids magistrats and counsell doe recomend to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to convey the haill respective incorporaciones, at such ane convenient tyme as they shall think fit, and to intimat the samen to them, and that they may nominat and appoint such of their number as they please to meet with Dowhill, or such utheris as the magistrats shall name, to revise and consider the saids bookes and accompts, that all persones concerned may be satisfied with the trouth of the samen.

Anent baillie Brockis affaire, for his abuse done to the proveist.

The saids proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, and tackeing to their consideration that on the 14th of this instant the baillies and counsell hath past ane sentence and fyned Robert Brock, goldsmith, for his abuse done to the proveist, whilk sentence he hes suspendit; for prosecuting of the whilk affaire and getting of the said Robert Brock made sensible of his fault and lyable in obeying the said sentence against him, they nominat and appoint the baillies, proveist Andersone [and six others] to meet frae tyme to tyme as they shall think fit and as occasion offeris, and doe what they shall think necessar theranent, and any fyve to be a quorum.

Writts produced by Dowhill.

John Andersone of Dowhill gave in the tounes disposition of the lands of Provand, whilk is registrat in the bookes of counsell and session the [31] day of Maij, 1675, with the seaseing following therupon; as also

he produced the act of parliament granted in favouris of the toune, for exacting two pennies aff ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir to be broune or imported and sold within the toune, for the space of threttein yeares after the first of November nixt, in caise his Majestie shall be pleased to declare his will and pleasure for the continowing of it that space, and whilk grant is for paying the tounes debts; as also he produced ane instrument tacken in parliament against the ratifieing of the agreement made anent the communication of trade in favoures of the burghes of regalitie and utheris.

In answer to the supplication given in be William Hyndshaw, Warrant, pypmaker, ordaines the thesaurer to pay to the said William ten rex thesaurer, dalleris for helping him to bring in clay to the toune for making of pypes. tobacco pypes.

29 August 1693.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, considering that they are destitute and wants ane minister within this burgh, they, after mature advyce and deliberation had theranent, with advyce and consent of the remanent ministeris and kirk session within the samen burgh, thought fit to give ane call to the reverend Mr. George Andrew, present minister of the gospeall at Tarboltoun, to be ane of the tounes ministeris of this burgh, whilk call was read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell and subscrivit be them; and for prosecuting the said call the saids magistrats and counsell have nominat and appointed and hereby nominats and appoints John Aird, younger, ane of the present baillies, [and such others as may be appointed, to attend the presbytery of Ayr] and to use his endeavour for getting the said Mr. George Andrew to accept of the said call to be ane of the tounes ministeris.

The saids magistrats and counsell, takeing to consideration the representation made to them be ane great number of the inhabitants, especially these in Gallowgate, that the calsey beyond the Gallowgate bridge is altogether insufficient and for the most part unpassable, as also considering that the bridge at Camlauchie is like to fall and become ruinous, and that the brae on this side of the bridge is so steep that it is verie hard for coatches or carts to pass, especially those who brings in and leads coallis to the toune for serveing the inhabitants, therefor it is concludit and agreed that the calsey beyond the Gallowgate bridge be helped and

Call given to  
Mr. George  
Andrew.

Calsey  
beyond the  
Gallowgate  
bridge, brae  
at Camlachie  
bridge.

repaired and a little hightned betuixt Robert Telferis house and baillie Woddropes house, and the rest helped to the barne ends; as also that the brae at Camlauchie bridge be tacken doune and calseyed, and the bridge there helped and repaired and enlarged, and recomends to the dean of gild to see the samen done and to imploy what persones he shall think fit for that effect.

19 September 1693.

Porterfields  
to have the  
freedom of  
burges and  
gildbreither  
children.

The proveist, baillies and counsell, anent the petition given in to them at the instance of the lawfull daughteris of umquhill Alexander Porterfield, brother to the laird of Douchell, mentioning that their said deceast father was married to ane lawfull daughter of umquhill (*blank*) Pollock *alias* Hutchesone of Auchingray, who was the petitioneris mother, and whilk Auchingray was burges and gildbrother of the said burgh, yet notwithstanding the said umquhill Alexander omitted and neglected to admit himselfe be vertew of the petitioners mothers right, which was occasioned through his being forefaulted in the late tymes, both as to his life and fortune, sua that he durst not appear or be seen to goe about the doing of his affaires, humblie therefor supplicating the saids proveist, baillies and counsell, that they may be pleased to dispence with their fatheris ommission and allow them to have the benefite of burges and gildbreithership of the said burgh notwithstanding therof, whilk being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they have enacted, statute and ordained, and hereby enacts, statutes and ordaines the haill daughteris of the said umquhill Alexander Porterfield to have the benefite and freedome of burges and gildbreither bairnes of this burgh, siclike as if their father had been entered, and that what persones shall marie the saids daughteris or any of them they shall be admitted on the same termes as marying burgesses and gildbreither daughters, they allwayes produceing their goodschirs burges and gildbrother ticket at their admission and paying the ordinary dewes therefor, and appoints the dean of gild to admit them accordingly.

25 September 1693.

Extracts of  
his Majesties  
letter anent  
the 2d. on  
the pynt of  
ale and  
drinking beir.

The proveist, baillies and counsell being conveyened, the proveist produced in counsell three extracts of his Majesties letter direct to the lords

of privie councill, and registrat according to his Majesties appointment in the bookes of secreet councill, exchequer and session, conforme to the foresaids extracts, declareing his will and pleasure that the imposition of two pennies on ilk pynt of ale and drinking beir to be broune and inbrought and vended within this burgh, for payment of the tounes debts, shall continow and endure the wholl space and number of threttein yeares, conforme to the act of parliament granted in favouris of the toune the last session of this present current parliament, wherof the tennor followes:—[Here follows Letter, printed in Glasgow Charters, Vol. II., pp. 249-51]. And seing it could not be expected that such ane great gift might be obtained without expence and charge and gratifieing persones in publict trust, therefore they ordaine the thesaurer to have ane warrand for the soume of ane thousand pounds sterling, together with ten guinees sent be him to Edinburgh for paying of those gratuities to such persones as were instrumentall in procureing the foresaid gift, as it was formerlie concludit and appointed be the proveist and such other persones as were sent alongst with him to Edinburgh, be vertew of ane former act of counsell dated 19 Junij last, and that by and attoure what was formerlie allowed be act of counsell dated 19 of August, also last by past, which was given to some other persones who had bein friends to the toune in procureing the said act; and for paying of the whilk soume of ane thousand pounds sterling the bands underwrittin were subscrivit in favoures of the persones following, frae whom the said soume is borrowed:—[here follow particulars of nine bonds], and with the whilk soumes the thesaurer is to be charged in his accompts.

The magistrats and toune counsell, tackeing into their serious consideration that by many and sundrie acts of parliament it is statute<sup>Anent</sup> and ordained that all shipps and vessellis and traffiquers comeing to this<sup>livering and</sup> realme, aither belonging to natives or strangeris, shall liver and unlade<sup>loading of</sup> their goods and merchandize at royall burghes or free ports belonging<sup>goods at Port-</sup> to the samen, as also by numerous and repeited acts of the royall burghes<sup>Glasgow, and</sup> made at severall generall conventiones they have inhibited and discharged<sup>dressing of</sup> all burgesses of royall burghes to pack or peill or be partineris with<sup>shipps.</sup> unfreemen not burgesses of royall burghes, either in point of trade or shipping, or to load or unload their ships or vessellis at any other ports then

these belonging to free royall burghes, and that under great and severe penalties, and seeing the toune of Glasgow hath bein at great charge and expence in building ane harbour, lodgeing houses, cellaris, lofts and other conveniencies at Port Glasgow, and have erected the samen in a free royall port for the accomodation of shiping and merchandize and for encouraging of trade of their burgesses and strangeris that may resort therto; as also considering that the merchands and other tradeing men belonging to this place did judge it most fit and rationall, and tending to the common good therof and great benefite of trade, that all ships and vessellis, either freighted by or belonging to the freemen burgesses of this city, should liver and load their goods and merchandize and dress their said vessellis at the said port of Port Glasgow, and for the better performing therof did signe and subscribe ane obligation and engadgement for that effect of the date at Glasgow the threttein day of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie twa yeares, yet notwithstanding of these numerous and repeitted acts, both of parliament and royall burrowes and acts of the toune counsell of this burgh and the obligation and engadgement foresaid, severall burgesses of this burgh have, contrare thereto, livered and loaded, dressed their ships and cellered their goods at other places within the river of Clyd then at Port Glasgow or other free royall burghes, to the manifest contempt of the lawes and acts of the royall burrowes and this burgh, and contrare to their solemn engadgements, whereby the comon good and interest of this burgh is greatlie prejudged and the houses and other buildings at Port Glasgow (which coast a vast expence) are like to come to utter ruine, therefore the saids magistrats and toune counsell doe be thir presents inhibite and expreslie discharge all their inhabitants, burgesses and traderis, to liver, load and celler their goods or merchandize at any other port within the river of Clyde but at Port Glasgow, Dumbartane or Renfrew, upon any pretext whatsoever, and that under the paine of fyve hundreth merks *toties quoties* to be payed be the contraveeneris of this present act, for the use of the common good of the toune, by and over what further punishment the magistrats and toune counsell shall think fit to inflict; and the magistrats and counsell doe hereby declare they will proceed with all severitie against such persones as have alreadie contraveened the foresaid obligation and engadgement entered into by the

merchands and traderis of this burgh since the date therof; and appoints this present act to be proclaimed with baith of drum over the tolbooth stair, and affixed in the most publict part of the clerks chamber, as also at Port Glasgow, that non may pretend ignorance.

30 September 1693.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, the proveist made report that he and some of the magistrats and counsell had bein with Ninian Hill of Lambhill and commoned with him anent buying his lands of Ramshorne and Meadowflatt, whilk he offers to them for the use of the toune, at twentie two yeares purchase, conforme to the rentall at ten merks ilk boll, by and attoure some gratuitie which he craves; whilk offer being considered be the saids magistrats and counsell, they judge the samen to be too high and beyond what the land is worth; however, for giveing satisfaction to the haille toune, they remit the samen to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to conveyen their respective incorporationes and to take their oppinion theranent and whither or not they think it propper to accept of the said bargaine or not as the samen is offered, and to report.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, anent ane act of recommendation made and granted be the deacon conveyener, deacon and remanent memberis of the deacon conveyeneris house of the said burgh, in favoures of George Robertsons, present deacon of the hammermen of the samen burgh, and remanent memberis of the said incorporation, for themselves and in name and behalfe of the poor therof, off the whilk act the tennor followes:—Att Glasgow, the ellevinth day of Julij, 1693 yeares, the whilk day, the deacon conveyener, deacones, and remanent members of the deacon conveyeners house of the said burgh being conveyened, anent the petition given in to them be George Robertsons, present deacon of the hamermen of the samen burgh and remanent members of the said incorporation, for themselves and in name and behalfe of the poor therof, makeand mention that where be contract past and perfyted betuixt the said incorporation of hammermen of Glasgow and the hammermen in Gorballis, dated the threttein day of November 1668 yeares, containing severall heads, articles and clauses therintill, and

particularlie the hammermen in Gorballis nor nane of them are not to have libertie to put on any new work or take aff any old work within the toune of Glasgow, or furth therof, to mend or dress, to any persone or persones within the said burgh, except the samen be tacken out to them, and agreed upon for the dressing therof within the said village of Gorballis, and that under the paine of ane new upset, to be applyed for the use of the poor of the hammermen of Glasgow from ilk person that happines to transgress *toties quoties*; as also be the said contract the saids hammermen in Gorballis, notwithstanding of the other articles and trans-actiones therincontained, have no libertie in the least granted to them to bring in or sell any work on the mercat day bot what is tollerat them, as other strangeris have, yet the saids hammermen in Gorballis tackes upon them, contrare to the said agreement and contract, upon ilk day of the week, as it were ane mercat day, not only to come into this burgh and take out old work and helps and dresses the same, bot also comes in and agrees with the inhabitants for makeing of new work and brings the samen in to the burgh, and when the sufficiencie or insufficiencie is found by these who imployed them, they accept or refuses the work as they think fit, whilk is just the same as buying frae unfreemen and strangeris; and in likemaner there are diverse strangeris who uses and exercees many (if not all) the poynts of the calling of the hammermen of Glasgow, in takeing of old work and bringing in new work into the burgh aff the mercat day, alsfreelie as if they were burgesses and admitted freemen with the said hammermen of Glasgow, which tends greatlie to their loss and detriment, they being lyable to stents, taxationes and other publict burdines imposed upon the toune, wherof the said strangeris are free, and so in fare better condition then the petitioners are; which encroachements and utheris upon the rights and priviledges of the said incorporation of hammermen of Glasgow will terminat in the ruine of their trade and will occasion many debates, not only amongst themselves bot also betuixt them and strangeris, craveand therefore the said deacon conveener, deacones and remanent memberis of the said deacon conveeneris house, to consider the premissis and to represent the same to the proveist, baillies and toune counsell of the said burgh, that they may discharge the saids hammermen in Gorballis and their servants, in tyme comeing, to mend any old



work or agree or bring in any new work except what is agreed upon to be done within the village of Gorballis, and that all strangeris may also be discharged to take aff nae old work nor bring in any new work to the toune except upon the ordinary mercat day, that the sufficiencie therof may be sighted and tryed be the deacon of the hammermen of this burgh and his masteris for the tyme, to the effect the leidges may not be prejudged thereby, under such paines and penalties as the said deacon conveneer, deacones and memberis foresaid should think fit, as the said petition beares. Whilk being tacken to the said deacon conveneer, deacones and remanent memberis foresaid their consideration, and after mature advyce and deliberation had be them theranent, they fand the desire of the said petition most just and reasonable, and that the hammermen in Gorballis and all other strangeris be obleidged to performe what is desired thereby, and that they be discharged to doe any thing to the contrare therof, and that under the paine of fyve pundis Scots monie, to be exacted aff ilk person *toties quoties* they shall happine to contraveen the premissis in any tyme comeing, to be applyed for the use of the poor of the hammermen of Glasgow, and that it shall be lawfull and in the power of the deacon of the hammermen of Glasgow and his masters and their successoris in all tyme comeing, to seize upon all work brought in to this burgh, except upon the mercat day as said is, contrare to this present act, and to dispose therupon for the use abovespecifeit; and recomends to the proveist, baillies and counsell of this burgh, not only to ratifie the said contract past betuixt the hammermen of this burgh and Gorballis, bot also thir presents, in the haill heads and articles therof under the penaltie abovewrittin, whilk act and desire therof being read in presens of the saids magistrats and counsell, was, be their act dated the twentie eight day of September instant, recomendit to John Andersone late proveist, John Woddrope, baillie, the dean of gild and deacon conveneer, to be considered be them and to give their opinion therof to the saids magistrats and counsell at their nixt meeting; and whilk persones foresaid haveing accordinglie met and considered the said petition, they be their report fand the desire therof reasonable. Whilk act, with the said report, being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, they for them and their successors in office, have given and granted, and hereby

gives and grants, in favoures of the said incorporation of the hammermen of Glasgow the desire of the samen, and not only ratifies the foresaid contract of agreement, past in maner foresaid, and act of the deacon conveyeneris house abovementioned, in the haill heads, articles and clauses therof, bot also ordaines the samen to take effect and be put to all due execution in tyme comeing against the contraveneris therof, conform to the tennor therof in all points, under the paine of five pundis Scots alsø oft as they shall be apprehendit contraveening the premissis or any part therof, by and attoure confiscation of the work it selfe, but prejudice to the burgesses and inhabitants of this burgh to imploy the said smithes of Gorballis, or any outtintounes smithes, for makeing what iron work they please, they, the said burgesses, allwayes bringing in the said work by themselves or their servants upon any lawfull day of the week. And ordaines the clerk to give out extracts hereof.

Ratification  
of contract  
betuixt  
cordoneris of  
Glasgow and  
cordoneris of  
Gorballis.

The proveist, baillies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, anent ane act of recomendation made and granted be the deacon conveyener, deacones and remanent members of the deacon conveyeneris house of the said burgh, in favoures of Andrew Mainie, present deacon of the cordoneris of the samen burgh and remanent memberis of the said incorporation, for themselves and in name and behalfe of the poor therof, of the whilk act the tennor followes:—Att the crafts hospitall of Glasgow, the last day of Junij j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie three yeares, the whilk day the deacon conveyener, deacones and remanent members of the deacon conveyeneris house of the said burgh being conveyened, anent the petition given in to them be Andrew Mainie, present deacon of the cordoneris of the said burgh and remanent memberis of the said incorporation, for themselves and in name and behalfe of the poor therof, makeand mention that where be contract past and perfyted betuixt the said incorporation of cordoners of Glasgow and the cordoners in Gorballis, dated the eightein day of December, 1668 yeares, 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 cordoneris and shoemakeris in Gorballis, to stand in the mercat of Glasgow, upon the mercat day, for selling of their shoes and otheris therintill, for payment be ilk ane of them of the soume of eightein shilling Scots, yearlie, for their mercat

dues, yet notwithstanding therof the saids cordoneris and shoemakeris in Gorballis and their servands, contrare to the said contract and liberties of the said calling, and severall other cordoneris, strangeris, liveing about this burgh, comes into the samen, not only upon the mercat day but also upon other dayes, and takes measures of the burgesses and inhabitants feet, and makes shoes and other work to them, wherethrow the said incorporation of cordoneris of Glasgow are heavily wronged and prejudged be the encroachment of the cordoneris in Gorballis, express contrare to the words and meaning of the said contract and custome of the rest of the incorporations of the crafts of Glasgow, and will terminat to the ruine of their trade, and occasion many debates, not only amongst themselves bot also betuixt them and strangeris; craveand therefore the said deacon conveyener, deacones and remanent members of the said deacon conveyeneris house, to consider the premissis, and if they shall find the desire of the said petition reasonable, to represent the samen to the proveist, baillies and toun counsell of the said burgh, that they may discharge the saids cordoners and shoemakeris in Gorballis, and all other cordoners, unfreemen and strangeris and their servants, in all tyme hereafter, from coming in to this burgh on any day quhatsomever and tackeing measures of any persones feet within the samen for makeing of shoes, boots, slipperis, or other cordoner work, to them, or bring in the samen to the imployers, that they may trye the sufficiencie or insufficiencie of the work and to pryce the samen accordinglie (and when they are not pleased with the work and pryce therof they retorne the samen back to the makeris, which is the samen libertie the cordoneris of Glasgow have themselves), except upon the mercat day, to be presented and sold in the publict mercat and sighted there before they be sold or tacken in to any houses, as to the sufficiencie of the work, to be tryed be the deacon of the said incorporation of cordoneris of Glasgow and his masteris, conforme to use and wont, that the leidges may not be prejudged, under such paines and penalties as the said deacon conveyener, deacones and memberis foresaid should think fitt, as the said petition beares. Whilk being tacken to the said deacon conveyener, deacones and remanent memberis foresaid their consideration, and after mature advyce and deliberation had be them theranent, they fand the desire therof most just and reasonable, and that

the cordoners in Gorballis, and all other cordoners, unfreemen and strangers, be obleidged to performe what is desired be the said petition, and they discharged to doe anything to the contrare therof in tyme comeing, under the paine of fyve pundis Scots monie to be exacted aff the cordoners in Gorballis and all other cordoners, unfreemen and strangeris their servands or any of them *toties quoties* they shall happine to contraveen the premissis in any tyme comeing, and that it shall be lawfull and in the power of the said deacon of cordoners and his masteris and their successors, in all tyme hereafter, to seize upon all work brought into this burgh, except upon the mercat day as said is, contrare to this present act, to be applyed for the use of the poor of the cordoners of Glasgow; and recomends to the proveist, baillies and counsell of this burgh, not only to ratifie the said contract past betuixt the cordoners of this burgh and Gorballis bot also thir presents, in the haill heads, articles and clauses therof, under the penaltie abovewrittin; whilk act and recomendation and desire therof being read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell, was, be their act dated the twentie eight day of September instant, recommendit to John Andersone, late proveist, John Woddrope, baillie, the dean of gild and deacon conveener, to be considered be them and to give their opinion therof to the saids magistrats and counsell at their nixt meeting, and whilk persones foresaid haveing accordinglie met and considered the said act they be their report declare they find the desire therof just and reasonable. Whilk act and recomendation, with the said report, being tacken to the saids proveist, baillies and counsell their consideration, and after mature advyce and deliberation had be them theranent, they, for them and their successouris in office, have given and granted and hereby gives and grants to and in favoures of the said incorporation of the cordoners of Glasgow what is desired thereby, and not only ratifies the foresaid contract of agreement past betuixt the cordoners of Glasgow and Gorballis in maner foresaid, and act of the deacon conveeneris house abovementioned, in the haill heads, articles and clauses therof, bot also ordaines the samen to take effect and be put to all due execution in tyme comeing against the contraveeneris therof, conforme to the tennor of the samen in all poynts, under the paine of fyve pund Scots also oft as they shall be apprehendit contraveening the premissis or any part

therof, by and attoure the apprehending the work frae these who shall happine to contravein, and confiscation of the samen for the use of the poor of the said condoners in Glasgow, but prejudice to the burgesses inhabitants of this burgh to goe to the Gorballis that the cordoners therof may take their measure for makeing any shoemaker work for themselves, and bring in the samen when made, be themselves or servants, upon any day of the week they please except Sundayes. And ordaines the clerk to give out extracts hereof.

3 October 1693.

[William Nappier, provost; John Leckie and John Aird, elder, merchants, and George Nisbitt, craftsman, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

6 October 1693.

[The magistrates of this and the two previous years, with persons appointed Counsellors. to supply vacancies, chose fourteen merchants (including William Barclay, master of work) and twelve craftsmen to be on the council for the ensuing year.]

7 October 1693.

The provest, balyies and counsell nominats and appoints John Andersone, late provest, to draw up ane accompt in wryte, both as to the townes common goods and otheris belonging to them, with the accompt of the haill debts they are resting, to the effect the samen may be reported to the lords of their Majesties thesaurie and exchequer, subscrivit be the magistrates and toune clerk, betuixt and November next, conforme to the act of this current parliament ordaining the same to be done.<sup>1</sup>

Ordaines all accompts that shall be allowed to be payed be the toune, to any persone for whatsomever cause, to be insert verbatim in a book apart, and the accompts to be subscrivit be the persones in whose favouris the same shall be ordained to be payed. All accompts to be booked.

11 October 1693.

[John Corse, dean of guild; Simeon Tennent, deacon convener; Robert Rodger, treasurer; John Waddroppe, bailie of Gorbals; George Muirhead, water bailie; dean of gild, William Barclay, master of work; Robert Boyd, visitor of maltmen. "Continue the electing of any visitor of the gardineris til ane other counsell day, for severall reasons knowne to them." etc.] Election of

<sup>1</sup> 1693, c. 45. Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, IX., p. 309.

14 October 1693.

Visitor of  
gardineria.

John Allane, be plurality of votes, is elected and choysen visitor of the gardiners for the year to come. And recommends to the deacon convenieris house to convene the said incorporation before them for presenting of such ane lytt as they did, and to reprehend them as they shall find cause for so doing.

Call to Mr.  
George  
Andrew.

Nominats and appoints John Aird, bailie, to repair to Air and attend the presbiterie there for prosecuting the call given to Mr. George Andrew, minister att Tarbolton, to be ane of the tounes ministeris.

Bread, tallow,  
candle.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 12 oz. and 7 drop; tallow to be sold for 48 s. the stone, and candle for 56 s. the stone.]

25 October 1693.

Roup of the  
touns 2d. on  
the pynt.

Convened the provest, balyies and most part of the toun counsell of the said burgh, with Sir John Maxuell of Nether Pollock, knight, first commissioner of the shyre of Renfrew, and John Hamilton of Barncleuth, balyie depute and justitiar of the regalitie of Glasgow (his grace the Duke of Hamilton, shereff principall of the shyre of Lanerk, who is for present out of the kingdome, and the laird of Lamington, first commissioner of the said shyre of Lanerk, being wrytten to for being present at the roup, conform to the act of parliament underwrytten, who did not compear) for rousing of the tua pennies on ilk pynt of ale and drinking bear, to be aither broune or inbrought and vended, topped or sold within the said toun and suburbs and liberties therof, for the space of three yeares commencing frae the first day of November nixt to come to the first day of November j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nynetie sex yeares, conforme to the act of parliament theranent in favouris of the said burgh, in the terms of the said act, and conforme to the power granted to the said toun therby, whilk act beares daitt the fyfteen day of Junij last bypast, and also in the termes of the roupe, whilks act of parliament and termes of the roupe were publictly read over in presence of the forenamed persones and haill other persones convened; after the lawfull rousing wherof, in maner abovementioned, the samen is sett to William Arbuckle, merchant in Glasgow, for the space of three yeares, commencing frae the said first day of November next to the said first day of November

j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nynetie sex yeares, for the yearlie payment of the soume of tuentie one thowsand sex hundreth merks, to be payed in maner and at the termes following, viz., [10,800 merks at Martinmas next, 10,800 merks at Whitsunday, 1694, and so on half-yearly, the last payment of 10,800 merks being made at Whitsunday, 1696] and to give sufficient securitie for that effect betuixt and the first day of November next.

26 October 1693.

The saids magistrates and counsell conveened, considering that William Arbuckle, merchand, hes taken the tua pennies of the pynt <sup>William Arbuckle resignes the tack.</sup> granted be act of parliament to this burgh, to be exacted of all ale and drinking bear to be vended and sold within the toune, for the space of three yeares after the first of November next, for whilk he is to pay tuentie one thowsand sex hundreth merks yearlie, in maner and conforme to the termes contained in the said roup and act of parliament, as the same wes sett to the said William, and that, for the ease of the breweris and maltmen, it is thought fitt that the toune should take the bargain in ther oun hands, compeared the said William Arbuckle and resigned his tack and roupe of the said tua pennies sua taken be him, in maner forsaide, in the tounes hands; and declares he is content to assigne any interest he can pretend therto in ther favouris, whilk they accepted aff his hand, and therfore the saids provest, balyies and counsell, for them and ther successouris in office, heirby obleist them to warrand, releive and skaithlesse keep the said William Arbuckle of all coast, skaith and dammage he can sustaine be the said roupe, and to relieve him of the tack dewtie whilk he is obleist to pay therfore.

Nominats and appoints the present provest and balyies, dean of gild <sup>Bailie Brok to be prosecut.</sup> and deacon conveener, with what other persones were formerlie named, to prosecute that businesse anent the abuse done be Robert Brock to provost Peadie, and what other affaires the toune hes in agitation before the lords against any of ther debitouris.

28 October 1693.

[On John Stirling, maltman, paying £80 Scots, he was discharged of "the John Stirling, fewdewtie or ground annuell of his kilne and yeard in Wester Craiggs, being eight few dentie pounds Scotts yearlie . . . and ordaines the samen to be scored out of the <sup>discharged.</sup> tounes rentall."]

Marie  
Rowands  
bygone  
feudeutie  
discharged.

Allowes and approves of the report made . . . for quatting and giving doune to Mary Rowand, relict of umquhill John Bryce, merchant, in answer to the petition given in be her, fourtie shilling, yearlie, since the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and eightie four, quhilk she is lyable to pay out of her kilne in Wester Craiggis, till Mertimes, j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nynetie three, for her dammage she sustaines by winning of stones aff the craigges; and appointis the maister of wark to cause remove the rubbish frae her said kilne, whilk is the occasion of the said dammage.

John Ander-  
sone to keep  
the compt  
bookis of the  
tounes debts  
and  
revenewes.

The provest, balyies and counsell of the said burgh, being conveyened, the comitee who were appointed be the magistrates and counsell for considering the paines taken be John Andersone, late provest, on the accompt following, made report that they have concluded and agreed that he get fyfteen pounds sterling, yearlie, as ane cellarie for his paines in keeping ane journall and legar book of the tounes revenewes and debts and inserting the haill tounes compts therin, both debtor and creditor, frae Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> eightie nyne till Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nynetie ane yeares, being tua yeares, which extends to threttie pounds sterling; and farder they have thought it very fitt and convenient that the said John Andersone continue in keeping the saids bookes for the space of other tuo yeares since Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nynetie ane yeares, and fill up the tounes compt therin; as also that he keep the excyse book and the book for the tua pennies on the pynt of ale and drinking bear, and book the said compts therin, and that they have promised and agreed to give him fyfteen pounds sterling, yearlie, for doing the samen; whilk report is allowed and approven be the saids magistrates and counsell, and appoints the said John Andersone to keep the saids books as formerlie, and ordaines John Robertsonsone, late thesaurer, to pay to him the forsaid soume of threttie pounds sterling for the forsaid tua yeares from Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> eightie nyne to Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nynetie ane yeares.

11 November 1693.

A committee  
to consider  
the chirur-  
geans peti-  
tionne.

Anent the petition given in be the chirurgians and pharmacians, craving to be free of stent and other publict burdenis, conforme to ther gift granted to them be King James the Sext and confirmed since in parliament, they, the saids magistrates and counsell, nominates and appoints



the provest, provest Peadie, provest Andersone, dean of gild, deacon conveyer, and John Waddropp, and the most part to be ane quorum, to meet with the saids chirurgians, and to consider what right they have to free them of the saids stents and other publick burdenis, and to report.

Appoints the present provest, provest Peadie, dean of gild, John Aird, Persones to be present with the clerk quhen inventaris the townes wrytis. younger, James Slosse, deacon conveyer, John Waddropp, balyie Nisbitt and George Robertstone to nominat and appoint some person they shall think most fitting to be present with the toune clerk for inventaring and putting in order the townes haill papers and securities, and that the provest be allwayes one, and that tuo be present, wherof one of the merchant rank and another of the crafts rank, to see the samen done, frae tyme to tyme, till the samen be putt to ane close; and if any person shall happen to be absent impowers the dean of gild and deacon conveyer to name any person in place of him who shall be absent, with consent of the provest; and in regard ane of the keyes of the presse, where the papers belonging to the toune lyes, is delyvered to the provest, appoints him to deliver the samen key to the comitee till the papers be inventared; and ordaines the inventar to proceed with the outmost dispatch and dilligence till it be fullie perfyted.

The provost, bailyies and counsell conveyed, appoints the foresaid A committee for the clerks compts of the teyndis. comitee to call for the former accompts given in be George Andersone anent the teyndis and others frae these persones, and to sight the instructions therof, and that any tyme the next week the comitee shall think fitt, and to report the next counsell day.

Nominates the comitee that is appointed for inventaring the townes Comittie anent the townes affairis with Lambhill and James Peadie. paperis to consider what is craved be Ninian Hill of Lambhill, as also what is in differ betuixt the toune and James Peadie, late master of wark, and to report; and in case the comitee and James Peadie do not agree, appoints the comitee to choyse ane persone in name of the toune, and James Peadie to choyse another person, for accommodating the difference and putting the same to ane close, and if neid beis that these tua persons choise ane oversman.

17 November 1693.

The saids provest and balyies being conveyed, and takeing to ther Anent the inventaring of the townes papers wrytes. consideration that they had remitted the inventaring of the townes papers

to ane comitee to appoynt any person they should think fitt to be joynd with the clerk for doing the samen, and the said comitee having mett (after mature deliberation had be them in the said matter) they thought no person so fitt and proper for inventaring the papers, rights and securities belonging to the toune, as the toune clerk himself, who knew the matter best, and so might put them in better order then any other person, whilk they reported to the counsell, and whilk report sua made be the comitee aforesaid wes allowed and approvine; and therfore ordaines the clerk to inventar the saids wrytes, and that against the threttie day of Januarie next to come, and the key of the press that wes the last counsell day given to the provest, where the tounes papers lyes, is delivered to the clerk, to the effect he may fall about the inventaring the saids wrytes and perfyte the same against the dyett afforsaid.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
for corne  
eaten to  
Lambhill.

Ordaines John Robertsons, late thesaurer, to pay to Ninian Hill of Lambhill the soume of ane hundreth pound sixteen shilling, for corne that wes eaten and taken away aff Ramshorne that belonged to George Stirling, tennent to Lambhill, be the Inglish regiment that wes commanded be Sir John Lanier, whilk soume wes allowed to the toune be the publick, being the free money, the expenssis in obtaining the allowance being deducted.

Warrand,  
thesaurer,  
dinners.

Ordaines John Robiesone, late thesaurer, to pay to William Carmichael [£91 1s. 4d.] that wes spent in his house at ane dinner with the magistrats, ministers and others, after the communion, and for ane other dinner be the magistrats and ministers when Mr. John Gray wes ordained.

23 December 1693.

John Marshall, clerk  
deput when  
the clerk wes  
indisposed.

The magistrates and counsell haveing taken to ther consideration ane act of counsell wherby, in absence of George Andersone, toune clerk, they appointed John Marshall, wryter, there, or any other of the clerke servands whom the said George should think fitt, to officiat as clerk deput during the said George Andersone his absence, for manageing of the tounes affaires, as the said act of counsell, daited the fyfth of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nynetie ane yeares beares, they hereby ratifie and approve the said act and nominates and appoints the said John Marshall to officiat as clerk deput for manageing of the tounes affaires, during the

said George his absence or indisposition and not being able to attend to the management of the affaires of this burgh, who hes given his oath *de fidei administratione*.

[The magistrates and council appointed five merchants and five craftsmen to Stent mas-  
be stentmasters for imposing on the inhabitants a stent for payment of the cess <sup>teris chosen,</sup>  
and public burdens payable at Martinmas last and Candlemas next, including the <sup>account of</sup>  
"burrow missive dues;" which cess amounted to £10,800 Scots, and, with the <sup>tenementis.</sup>  
proportion of missive dues and expenses of collection, was expected to amount to  
£12,000. Ten persons were also appointed "to goe throw and take exact accompt  
of the yearlie rent of the tenements and outfield and infield lands within this  
burgh, in order to the stent, and appoints them to fall about the same with all  
expedition."]

The magistrates and counsell having considered ane petition given in Common  
to them be William Barclay, master of work, making mention that he <sup>quarry.</sup>  
has been at great expenss with workmen to make ane face on the common  
quarrie and redding the same, for the good of the toune, and ther being ane  
sink formerlie for draining the said quarrie which is now altogether stopt,  
and must of necessitie be redd and cleansed for draining of the quarrie, they  
heirby ordaine the said William Barclay to cause redd and cleanse the  
said sink for draining of the quarrie, at the tounes charge, and allowes  
the said quarrie, now redd or to be redd and faced be him, to be made  
use of be the said William to serve the inhabitants of the toune, and to  
apply the benefite of the said quarrie to his oun hehove, during his  
keeping the samen ane going work, and discharges all other persones to  
meddle with any part of the said quarrie, redd or to be redd be the said  
William Barclay, without his oun consent, and also discharges all other  
persones to redd or make use of the samen quarrie, or any other quarrie  
belonging to the toune, without ane act of counsell in ther favouris for  
that effect.

Nominats and appoints bailie Leckie [and six others] to visit Partick <sup>A visit to</sup>  
bridge and the new mylne and kilne and calsayes and hieway there, and <sup>Partick</sup>  
to take inspection therof, and to report. <sup>bridge, etc.</sup>

Ordaines the maister of wark to pay to Mr. John Muschett, ane poor <sup>Warrant,</sup>  
man, fyfteen pounds Scotts, the said John Muschett being formerlie ane <sup>merchant in</sup>  
merchant in Thurso in Caithness, who suffered losse by sea. <sup>Thurso.</sup>

30 December 1693.

Act anent the  
counsell  
minut book.

The magistrats and counsell, taking to ther consideration the severall acts made be them anent the keeping of the minute book of the acts of counsell and filling up of the enlarged or principall book conforme therto, they doe heirby statute and ordaine that in all tyme comeing the haill acts that passes in the toune counsell shall be instantly minuted, as to the substance therof, in the forsaid minut book, and what is therin minuted shall be read publictly in face of counsell before they dismissee, and shall be then signed be the provest or preses and the balyies, dean of gild and deacon conveener, or such of them as shall be present for the tyme, and betuixt and the next counsell day thereafter the saids minuts shall be extended be the clerk, in full acts, in the principall or enlarged counsell book, which acts shall be read publictly in face of the counsell at their next meeting and collated with the minuts before they fall on any other bussinesse, and that both the minut and principall book be paged; and they ordaine this act to be strictlie observed, in all tyme comeing, under the paine of tua dollars to be exacted aff the clerk for ilk falyie; and one dollar to be exacted aff ilk ane of the counsell for ilk falyie, in case they remove without leave asked and given before the saids minut and principall book be read and collated in maner forsaid.

Warrant,  
strowing and  
flowers.

Ordaines the maister of wark to pay to William Hutchisone, gardiner, twelve pounds Scotts, for strowing and flowers to the High Kirk counsell seatt and counsell table, this year bygone, conform to his petition.

2 January 1694.

Instructions  
to the stent  
masters.

The magistrates and counsell being conveened, they appointed the instructions following, be them to the present stentmasters, to be insert in maner following, viz., first, that conforme to the act they shall stent the toune in twelve thowsand pounds Scotts and lay it on and proportion the same according to the rules following:—

Imprimis, that they stent every burges inhabitant within this burgh according to ther respective abilities.

Item, the widowes of all such whose husbands have been burgesses traders, either as merchants or craftsmen.

Item, that they stent all wrytters and others who have of consider-

able yeares been inhabitants within this burgh, and have and doe reap benefite and advantage by the same.

Item, that they stent all burgesses who do trade and trafficque with this toune, by vertew of ther burgesship albeit they be not actuall residents.

Item, in respect house rents are very low in this place, they appoint them to lay upon the rents of the houses within this burgh, according to the rental to be given to them by the magistrates, tua per cent. for their tua termes, being four per cent. yearlie, conforme to the instructions given to the lait stentmasters, and lands belonging to outtentounes men, not residents, to be stented in the double for their lands.

Item, they appoint and nominat John Marshall, wrytter, to be ther clerk, and to attend ther dyetts from tyme to tyme until ther rolls be compleated.

9 January 1694.

The provest, balyies and counsell, taking to ther consideration that whereas James Muirhead, deacon of the baxteris, having been sent for by John Aird, elder, ane of the balyies of this burgh, upon a complaint made be Thomas Robertsons, tacksman of the laddles, that the said James Muirhead and others with him had refused to pay him the dewtie of the laddles of wheat brought by them within this burgh, and some laid up at ther mylne at Partick, to which dewtie this citie hath clear and undoubted right, both by decreit of the lords of session and severall charters and confirmations of Kings and parliament, as also by immemoriall possession, and the said James having, in ane haughty maner, refused to pay the saids laddles, wes therupon committed to prison by the said balyie, according to the constant custome and practise of this burgh in such cases; wherupon the said James Muirhead, and with him Walter Buchanan, Robert Buchanan, William M'Rae, James Waddropp, James Corbett and George Allan, did raise ane calumnious lybell before the lords of ther Majesties privie counsell, not only against the said John Aird and the present magistrates, bot also against the magistrates of the former yeares, to the great disturbing of the government of the burgh and disquieting of the magistrates in the peaceable possession of the tounes just rights, and when the said James Muirhead and his aforesaid accomplices had found that

Submission  
and decreet  
arbitrall  
anent the  
baxteris and  
their laddles.

they could not obtaine ther unjust design, to prevent the dew punish-ment quhich the lords of ther Majesties privie counsell might have inflicted upon them, did apply themselves to Mr. William Dunlope, principall of the Colledge of Glasgow, and Thomas Crawford, elder of Crawfordsburne, who were then in Edinburgh, to mediat in the said matter with the said balyie Aird and others, who were commissionat to goe to Edinburgh to negotiat that affair, quhich produced the submission following:—[Here follows submission by the deacon of the baxters and others referring themselves to the magistrates and town council as to the quantities of wheat payable as ladle duty. The magistrates thereupon declared and enacted that from the first Tuesday of June next, being the time for roup of the laddles with other common goods] all wheat or rye brought by the members of the said incorporation of baxters into this citie or myllne belonging to the said incorporation, or elsewhere therabout, that hath been once watterborne, shall, in stead and lieu of the laddles formerly exacted pay only fyve firloths of every hundred and fyve bollis of all wheat or rye so bought by them and brought to the places forsaid, and so proportionallie, except such quantitie therof as shall be exported by them or burgesses, freemen of this citie, provyding it be exported within sex moneths after it is brought to the places forsaid, and before the first of June thereafter, in wheat or rye furth of the kingdome, which is heirby declared to be free of all laddles in tyme comeing. And that ther may be no fraud nor imbazelling of the said dewtie of laddles, the said baxters and incorporation binds and obleidges themselves and ther successors either to exhibite ther charter parties, or depone upon oath, for constituting of the quantitie, or otherwayes as the magistrates shall think fitt. And for what they buy in the cuntrey about, or is set down in the mercatt and laid up by them in either of the places forsaid, they shall be obleided to constitut the quantitie therof as aforsaid, and is to be ladled as formerlie. And if it shall be made appear that any is imbazled, and not payed the dewtie of the laddles as aforsaid, the wheat or rye furth wherof the samen was payable, or pryce therof, shall be confiscat without redemption. And as to the forsaid James Muirhed, [and others, “ther undewtifull and unbecoming carriage towards ther magistrats” they were enjoined “to present themselves before the magistrats and toun counsel, within the high counsell

house, in the tollbooth of this burgh,"] and there to acknowledge ther offence and crave pardon of the magistrats and toun counsell, for ther undewtifull and unbecomeing carriage toward them, and promise never to committ the lyke in tyme comeing, bot shall, for the future, so demean and carrie themselves towards ther magistrats as becometh dewtifull and faithfull burgesses . . . And it is furdre declared that the hundreth and fyve bolls is to be understood of fyve score and fyve bolls; and that in regard the said incorporation of baxters, at the making heiroy have represented to the magistrates and counsell of Glasgow that it may tend to ther prejudice to produce ther charter parties, wherby the pryces of ther wheat may be published, therfore the saids magistrates and counsell doe dispense with the not production of ther charter parties and accept of the production of ther billis of loadening in lieu therof, not excludeing the oath of partie as above mentioned, or any other maner of probation.

13 *January* 1694.

James Herriott, ane of the servants in the tounes clerks chamber, <sup>Act anent</sup> being conveyened before them, and interrogat whither he had any papers <sup>James</sup> belonging to the tounes or had abstracted the same, he, be his <sup>Herriott,</sup> solemne <sup>tounes</sup> oath, deponed that he had abstracted none of the tounes paperis, and that <sup>paperis.</sup> he had none of ther papers in his custodie except such as are in the lettron of the clerks chamber particularlie committed to his trust; and being also interrogat, be the saids magistrates and counsell, whither or not he had dispersed or doubled any of the tounes accompts or acts of counsell, or given them out to any persons, or knew any who had so done without the magistrates and counsell or some of them ther knowledge, he denyed the same; and being required to give his oath for clearing of himself theranent, he refused to doe the same; and therfore the saids magistrats and counsell holds him guiltie and declares him incapable to serve the tounes as ane of ther servants in the said chamber, and appoints him to be incarcerat in open prisone till he find caution to answer before the tounes counsell, or ane comitee to be appointed by them, for what they can lay to his charge anent the premisses.

Ordaines the dean of gild and deacon conveyener, or in the deacon <sup>Act appoint-</sup> conveyeners absence John Waddropp, James Peadie, lait provest, and John <sup>ing ane</sup> <sup>comitee to</sup> <sup>goe to the</sup> <sup>clerk anent</sup> <sup>the tounes</sup> <sup>papers.</sup>

Anderson, lair provest, to goe to the clerk and enquire at him whither the haill paperis and other evidents belonging to the toun of Glasgow which are in his custodie be comprehendit in the inventar of wryttes given in, and if they be accordingly put in the boxes appointed for keeping therof. As also to enquire at him whom he knowes to have any of the tounes paperis and wrytes, and what the saids wryttes are, and to gett ane accompt therof from him, as also desyre him to putt all the counsell books he hes in his custodie in the saids boxes, and that they goe about this affair with the outmost diligence.

Report of the  
comitee  
anent build-  
ing at New-  
port Glasgow  
approved.

The comitee haveing given in ther report anent Port Glasgow, bearing that there are severalls intendit to build at Newport Glasgow, and desyre to know what may be ther encouragement, it is ther opinion that each one that shall build the broad syde of ther housis fronting towards the sea shall pay, for each foot of the front in lenth, tua shilling Scotts, and for every foot backwards twelve pennies Scotts; and it is thought fitt that none shall exceed sextie foot back, nor be allowed to build with the gavell of ther house fronted towards the shoar. Item, it is the opinion of the said comitee that, for preventing the irregular building of houses, that persones of understanding and judgement in these cases may be sent doune to Port Glasgow, and measure the ground and divyde it in plotts for building houses and chalking out of streets and lands, and to draw the ground plott therof, that it may be a rule for the tyme to come; which report of the comitee the magistrates and counsell, taking to their consideration, they approve the same, and nominats the dean of gild, deacon conveyener, or in his absence John Woddropp, John Andersone, lair provest, or any others, with Francis Stevensone, whom they shall think fitt to take along with them, to go doune to Port Glasgow to the effect forsaid.

Warrant,  
master of  
work.

Ordaines the master of work to pay to Adam Todd four dollars to help to pay the cure of James Todd, his son, who wes deadlie woundit at Killiecrankie.

Imposition  
on multure,  
ladle and  
bannock malt.

The magistrates and counsell, being informed that the ale quhich is the product of the multure, laddle and bannock malt, by neglect of the collectors hes not payed the tua pennies of imposition on the pynt therof dew to the toun, conforme to the act of parliament in the tounes



favouris, since the first of November last; therefore they heirby statute and enact that all ale or bear browen of the said malt shall pay the imposition forsaid of tua pennies on ilk pynt therof since the said first day of November last and in tyme comeing. And ordaines the same execution to passe heirupon against the brewers and venters therof as is against the brewers and venters of other malt.

20 January 1694.

The provest, balyies and counsell of this burgh being conveyened, the comitee appointed by ane act of counsell of the dait the thretteen day of Januarie instant to goe to the clerk anent the tounes paperis, gave in ther report that they had discoursed the clerk theranent, who answered that he had no paperis belonging to the toune bot what were putt in the boxes appointed for keeping therof and contained in the particular inventar therof, to the best of his knowledge, and that he knew no other person who had any of the saids paperis, except John Marshall and John Knox, wrytters in Edinburgh, and as to the discharge betuixt the toune and the clerk, he declared he wes content to submit himself to the judgement of Dougaldstone theranent, and as for the counsell books he granted he had some of them, bot refused to delyver them up saying that they were his evidentis during his lifetyme, and therefore the saids magistrats and counsell ordaines the said comitee formerly appointed to goe and meet with Dougaldstone anent the said matter, and to report.

Anent ane representation made by severalls of the counsell, concerning the regulation of the fies and dewes, belonging to the toune clerk as such, whilk representation being at lenth considered be the saids magistrats and counsell they heirby nominat and appoint John Corse, dean of gild, James Peadie, John Aird, younger, and Mathew Cuming, elder, four of the merchant rank, and the deacon conveener, John Waddropp, balyie Nisbitt and George Robertson, four of the crafts rank, as ane comitee for regulating of these dewes, wherof fyve to be ane quorum; with power to them to call any person whom they shall think fitt, either of the toune counsell or out of the toune counsell, for ther assistance in the said matter, and appoints the first dyett of ther meeting to be upon the tuentie fyfth day of Januarij instant, and to continue

and prorogat ther dyetts from tyme to tyme till they putt ane close to the said affair. And to give in ther report theranent to the counsell, betuixt and the first day of March next to come.

Building at  
Newport  
Glasgow.

The magistrates and counsell conveened, takeing to ther consideration ane representation made to them be William Arbuckle, merchant in Glasgow, anent his building at Newport Glasgow, and being verie sensible of the said William his kyndnesse and freindship to the toune, manifested on all occasions, they resolve, as ane token of ther gratitude, to shew him favour beyond other builders, and therefore they allow him fourscore foot in front in any part betuixt the east gavill of the townes new house and Mathew Cumings, as shall be agreed upon be the magistrates and the said William, after settling of the lands and streets that are to goe up from the shoar to the quarrie, and that for building of tua dwelling houses, with fourscore foot back for ane closse and office houses therto; and that he shall pay only for the same sex pounds Scotts of few dewtie, yearlie, beginning [at Whitsunday 1697] for the year preceding; and that he shall have libertie to make use of some of the ground (beside and attour the forsaid fourscore foot in front and fourscore foot back) for the use of ane yeard, ay and while the toune of Glasgow shall have use for the same for building or otherwayes disposeing therupon as they shall think fitt and convenient; and the saids magistrates and counsell ordaine ane few charter with all other rights and securities requisite to be granted be the toune to the said William Arbuckle for the said fourscore foot in front and fourscore foot backwards, in dew and competent forme, with all dew solemnities necessar for that effect and secureing him in the same, all to be done and exped upon the said William Arbuckle his own proper charges and expenssis.

22 January 1694.

Winning  
stones about  
Galtis bridge.

The provest, balyies and counsell of this burgh, being convened, anent ane petition given in be Robert Dinwiddie, merchant in Glasgow, desyreing that he may have libertie about Galtis bridge or the townes loch, or any place in the east syde of the townes common, for winning a few stones to perfyte his dyke and inclosure, and to make good the hie way, without prejudice to the toune; whilk petition and desyre therof

being at lenth considered be the saids magistrats and counsell, they heirby allow the said Robert Dinnwoddie to winne stones in the said places for the ends aforsaid, he always working regularlie and keeping a good face thereon, at the sight of the dean of gild, and holding at ane considerable distance from the hie way, least the passengers be endangered and the hie way detrimented therby.

The magistrats and counsell, takeing to ther consideration the undew proportion of this present levie laid by the shyre upon this burgh and the burgh of Lanerk, and that the provest and severalls with him have had ane communeing with the magistrats of Rutherglen theranent, and that they expect this afternoone ane answer from the said burgh of Lanerk anent the same, therefore they heirby appoint the provest and tua of the balyies, with James Peadie and John Andersone, to meet with the saids magistrats of Rutherglen and Lanerk, and to conclude upon some proper methods for redresse of the said undew proportion laid on them as said is.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Marshall, wrytter, fourtie shilling sterling for his paines in wryting the paperis anent the baxteris and inventaring the tounes paperis, conforme to his petition.

Be it kend to all men be thir present letters, ws, Walter and Robert Buchanans, baxters in Glasgow, forasmuchas upon some difference falling out betuixt the magistrats and James Muirhead, deacon of the baxters, and others of the said calling, anent laddleing of ther wheat, ther wes a most calumnious and groundlesse lybell raised, before the lords of ther Majesties privie counsell, against the saids magistrats, by the said James Muirhead and others of the said calling, to the disturbing of the government of the burgh and disquietting the magistrats in the peaceable possession of the tounes just right to the dewtie of the ladles; and seing that for preventing of the dew punishment which the saids lords of privie counsell might have inflicted upon the said James Muirhead and his accomplices, raisers of the forsaid lybell, the said James Muirhead and others did apply themselves to Mr. William Dunlop, principall of the Colledge of Glasgow, and Thomas Crawford, elder, of Crawfordsburne, to mediat in the matter with the saids magistrats, which did terminat in ane submission, wherin they, for themselves and others of

ther trade, did referre themselves to the saids magistrats and toune counsell of Glasgow out of what quantitie of wheat they should pay ane laddle; and for what satisfaction the said James Muirhead and his accomplices should give to the magistrats for ther undewtifull and unbecoming carriage towards them, they did also submitt themselves to the said magistrats and toune counsell, with consent of the said Mr. William Dunlop and Thomas Crawford, as is at more lenth contained in the forsaid submission and act of the magistrats and toune counsell of Glasgow, dewlie insert and registrat in their counsell books, of the dait att Glasgow the nynth of Januarie instant, and subscrivit by the said James Muirhead, the masters of the incorporation, and the said Mr. William Dunlop and Thomas Crawford; and in respect wee the saids Walter and Robert Buchanans are most willing to obtemperat and fulfil the forsaid submission and act of the magistrats and toune counsell of Glasgow, insert and registrat of the dait forsaid, anent the saids laddles in all poynts, therefore witt ye us to be bound and obliet, as be thir presents wee bind and obleiss us to obtemperat, fulfill and inviolablie observe in all tyme comeing the forsaid act of counsell anent the ladleing of wheat or rye bought and made use of by us in all poynts, under the penalties and certifications contained in the forsaid act of counsell; bot in regard our names are insert in the forsaid calumnious lybell raised against the saids magistrats of Glasgow, as if we had been the raisers therof, and wee being desirous to purge ourselves of the same, and not willing to lye under the reproach of being of the number of such undewtifull and unfaithfull burgesses, wee heirby solemnlie declare, and if therto required shall give our oathes, that wee never gave our consent or commission to the raiseing of the said lybell, and knew nothing of the raiseing therof, bot do utterlie abhorre the samen as unjust and calumnious and resolves in all tyme coming to demean and carry ourselves towards the present and future magistrats as becometh dewtifull and faithfull burgesses. [Subscribed 26 January 1694.]

*27 January 1694.*

Act in  
favouris of  
Walter and  
Robert  
Buchanan.

[The provost, bailies and council accept the "obleisment and declaration" signed by Walter and Robert Buchanans "as ane sufficient purgation of ther

former alleadged offence, and . . . as ane sufficient obligation for ther part in relation to the laddles," and annul and rescind the certifications against them contained in former acts of council.]

The provest, balyies and counsell of the said burgh being conveyened, Order anent  
compeared John Andersone, lait provest, and made ane report that he had the undew  
been at Hamiltone and discoursed the duchesse of Hamiltone, anent the proportion of  
undew proportion of the levie laid on this burgh, and represented to her the levie.  
that the magistrats and toun counsell would be necessitate to reclaime  
against the said undew proportion and make application to the lords of  
privie counsell for redresse, seing the gentlemen of the shyre did decline  
to redresse them, and therefore the saids magistrats and counsell doe heirby  
nominat and appoint the said John Andersone and John Robertstone,  
hammerman, to goe in to Edinburgh and consult the Kings advocat, or  
any other lawyers or advocats they shall think fitt, whither it be con-  
venient to make application to the privie counsell for redresse or not;  
and if it shall, be ther consultation, be found fitt that they shall make  
application for redresse they are heirby ordained to make application  
accordinglie.

Ther being ane representation made be William Arbuckle, merchant, Allowance to  
to the magistrats and toun counsell, that he wes desireous to build ane build wharffe  
wharffe or breastwork at Newport Glasgow, doune upon the shoar, within or breastwork  
the sea watter mark, opposit to that ground which the tounne hes allowed at Newport,  
him to build on by the act of counsell of the dait the tuentie of Januarij Glasgow.  
instant, they heirby allow him the liberty to build ane wharffe or breast  
work for livering and loadening of barks, boatts or other vessels there;  
bot in regard the magistrats and tounne counsell are come to no resolution  
to allow any to build doune upon the shoar, within the sea watter mark,  
and so at present can give to the said William no farder right to the said  
wharffe or breast work bot the meer allowance to build as aforsaid, they  
declare that in case they come to ane resolution, in any tyme heirafter,  
to allow any persone to build houses, wharffes or others upon the shoar,  
within the sea watter mark, opposit to what houssis they shall build,  
according to the present allowance granted be the tounne, be ther act of  
counsell daited the thretteen day of Januarij instant, then and in that  
case the said William Arbuckle shall have the first offer of the said

wharffe, or any ground upon the shoar opposit to his oun house, he paying therefore as others; and in case he refuse to build in the termes forsaid, and that others offer to build upon the said ground, he is to be satisfied, at the sight of indifferent men, by the person or persons who are to build, for what expenssis he hes been at in building the said wharffe or breast work.

Abuses of the  
harbour and  
others at  
Newport,  
Glasgow.

The magistrats and counsell being conveened, and haveing received from the dean of gild of great abuses committed at Newport Glasgow, to the prejudice of the harbour, closse, and others there, they remitt to the former comitee appointed for the tounes affaires, to consider and lay doune such rules to be observed in tyme comeing for regulating the said harbour, closse, and others, and preventing of the abuses there, and to report to the counsell.

Leper house  
of Gorballis  
and wast  
ground at Old  
Vennell.

Ther being tua supplications presented be Alexander Peacock, cordiner in Glasgow, and John Smith, wright in Gorballis, the one for fewing ane peice of wast ground at the foot of the old vennell, next to James Loudons land and barkholls, and the other for fewing the Leper house in Gorballis, the saids magistrats and counsell haveing considered the saids tua supplications and desyre thereof, they ordaine the dean of gild and his brethren, and with them James Peadie, late provest, and the deacon conveener to goe to the ground of the saids respective places and take inspection therof, and to enquire if ther be any mortification allocat to the said Leper house and anent the erection therof, and to report to the counsell at their next meeting.

3 February 1694.

John  
Marshall  
appointed  
clerk.

The provest, balyies and counsell being conveened, they, be pluralitie of votes, nominat, elect and choyse John Marshall, wrytter, to exerce the office of clerkship of this burgh during ther pleasure, and heirby approves of what lawfull deeds he hes done as clerk since the decease of George Andersone, late clerk, in regard the magistrats gave him ane order to exerce as clerk during the intervall till this counsell mett, who hes given his oath *de fidei administratione*.

Mylner to  
new mylne of  
Partick.

The magistrates and counsell being conveened, appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener to meet with any person or persons who offer

to engadge themselves to serve the toune as milners at the new milne of Partick (in respect the present miller is not fitt for that charge), and to consider ther overtures, and to report to the counsell with their first conveniencie.

Appoints the hulk, with the floatt boatts and other appointments therof, to be roupd within the tolbooth of Glasgow, betuixt ten and twelue houres in the foirnoone, in order to ane yearlie rent, and appoints ane proclamation to be sent throw the toune for that effect.

Rouping of  
hulk and  
floatt boatts.

7 February 1694.

The provest, balyies and counsell of this burgh being conveyened, the comitee appointed for regulation of the toune clerks dewes made ther report and gave in severall articles theranent in wryte, whilk were read in presence of the toune counsell, to the effect the samen may be ane rule to the said toune clerk for the regulation of his dewes as such in all tyme comeing, bot in respect the saids magistrats and counsell are not rype as to ther finall determination therin, they have thought fitt to delay the full settling therof till ther next meeting in counsell, betuixt and which tyme they are to take ane entire consideration therof, in order to ther final decision in the said matter.

Aot anent the  
regulation of  
the toune  
clerks dewes.

The magistrats and counsell being conveyened, the comitee appointed for election of the toune clerk gave in ther report, whilk being considered be the saids magistrats and counsell, they all, in one voice, unanimously, without ane dissenting vote, nominat, elect and choyse Robert Park, advocat, to be toune clerk of the said burgh, dureing the saids magistrats and counsell ther pleasure, who is to reside here upon the place as former clerks have done, and is also heirby apointed to keep and inviolable observe the regulation of the pryces of his dewes as toun clerk which were this day read in counsell, with the ammendments therof that shall be heirafter made, before the samen be statute, enacted and insert in the counsell book, and recommends to the magistrats to signifie ther pleasure in the said matter to the said Mr. Robert Park, by a lyne, with ther conveniencie.

Mr. Robert  
Park,  
advocat,  
elected toune  
clerk.

The provest made ane report that he, with balyies Leckie and Aird, and others of the counsell, had ane communeing with Caldwell and

Report anent  
the buying of  
Ramshorne  
and Meadow-  
flett.

Jordanhill, the tuo gentlemen commissionat be Lambhill, anent the sale of Ramshorne and Meadowflett to the toune (Mr. Francis Montgomery, Sir John Maxuell and the principall of the Colledge of Glasgow being present at the communeing), and that they had concluded the bargaine for twenty years purchase, at ten merks per boll, the money to be payed at Whitsunday next, with annualrent frae Candlemas last, and the tounes entrie to be at Mertimes last for this present cropt (the capons are not to be accompted ane part of the rentall), and ther is ane gratuitie to be given to Lambhills lady, not exceeding fyfteen guineas; quich report the saids magistrates and counsell recommends to the dean of gild and deacon conveener, to conveen ther respective houses and incorporations and to desyre ther advyce therin before they conclude the bargaine.

10 February 1694.

Warrant,  
French  
protestant.

Ordaines the master of wark, to pay to ane poor French protestant, who teaches French and arithmetick, twelve pounds Scotts, for his present supplie till he be better provydit.

14 February 1694.

Custome  
house at  
Newport  
Glasgow.

The provest, balyies and counsell of this burgh being conveened, and takeing to ther consideration ane missive direct to them be John Andersone of Dowhill, wherin he informes them that there is ane allowance procured be the laird of Greenock frae the lords of the thesaurie to keep the custome house there, which is presentlie kept at Newport Glasgow, to the great prejudice of this burgh, therfore the saids magistrates and counsell heirby nominat and appoint James Slosse, John Waddropp and Mathew Cuming, three of ther number, to repair to Edinburgh and to joyne with the said John Andersone of Dowhill, who is already there, and to reclaime against the said allowance and use all proper methods to get the same recalled.

17 February 1694.

Act anent the  
regulation of  
the clerks  
dewes.

The provest, balyies and counsell of the said burgh being conveened, taking to ther consideration that the burgesses and inhabitants of this burgh have been these many yeares bygone at ane uncertaintie as to what they should pay to the toune clerk for his dewes for giving infett-



ments, seasines, and extracts therof, the dewes of the court, and all other dewes for service proper to him to performe as toune clerk, the saids magistrates and counsell did by ther act of counsell, daited the tuentie day of Januarie lastbypast, nominat and appoint ane comitee of ther number for stateing and cognosceing the same, with advyce and consent of what persons they pleased, and to report the same to the counsell, which accordingly the said comitee did report upon the seventh day of February instant, and the overtoures anent the regulation of the saids dewes being then read it was recommended be the provest to all the members of the counsell to consider the samen till this day, and to give ther report, and they having now mett, caused read over the samen overtoures, agreed therto and approved of them, and heirby appoints the same to be insert and registrat in the counsell book as ane stated regulation of all dewes payable to the toune clerk as such, and ordaines the same to be subscribed be the provest, balyies, dean of gild and deacon conveener and the toune clerk, that it may be ane statute betuixt the burgesses and inhabitants of this burgh and the toune clerk, in tyme comeing; of the which regulation the tenor followes thus:—

[Here follows table of dues extending to seven pages of the Record.]

These are the articles of the regulation of the tounes clerks dewes, payable to him as toune clerk, and of the dewes of the dean of gild court, reported by the comitee as aforsaid (after they had taken advyce of certain persones, lawyers and clerkes of knowne skill in the said affaires), and read in presence of and approven be the saids magistrats and counsell, and subscrivit this day and daitt in maner abovespecifit.

19 February 1694.

The magistrats and counsell of this burgh being conveened, com-  
peared in their presence Mr. Robert Park, advocat (formerlie choysen  
toun clerk of this burgh by ane act of counsell of the dait the seventh  
of Februarij instant), and wes this day entered, admitted and received  
toun clerk of this burgh, who gave his oath *de fidei administratione*.  
Mr. Robert Park installed  
toun clerk.

The said Mr. Robert Park, instantlie installed and admitted toun  
clerk of this burgh, compearing, did in obedience to the act of parliament  
Mr. Robert Park, oath of  
allegiance,  
with the  
assurance.

and act of ther Majesties privie counsell, bearing dait at Edinburgh the tuentie third and threttie dayes of May lastbypast, respective, in presence of the provest, balyies and counsell, conveyened, swear the oath of alledgiance and subscrivit the same with his hand, wherby he did sincerely promise and swear that he will be faithfull and bear trew alledgiance to ther Majesties King William and Queen Mary; as also the said Mr. Robert Park, in presence of the saids provest, balyies and counsell, conveyened, did subscribe the assureance underwrytten, wherby he did, in the sinceritie of his heart, assert, acknowledge and declare that ther Majesties King William and Queen Mary are the only lawfull and undoubted soveraignes of this realme, also well *de jure*, that is of right, King and Queen, as *de facto*, that is in the possession and exercise of the government; and therfore he did sincerely promise and engadge that he will, with heart and hand, life and goods, maintaine and defend ther Majesties title and government against the late King James and his adherents, and all other enemies, who either by open or secreet attempts shall disturb or disquiett their Majesties in the possession and exercise therof. *Sic subscribitur*: Rob: Park, toun clerk of Glasgow.

Deputation  
to John  
Marshall.

The saids magistrats and counsell agreed to the said Mr. Robert Park his desyre to allow John Marshall, wrytter, to exerce as toun clerk during the said Mr. Robert his necessarie absence, be vertew of ane deputation to be granted be the said Mr. Robert Park to him for that effect.

3 March 1694.

Call to Mr.  
George  
Andrew  
approven and  
balyie Aird  
with others  
to goe to  
Irving there-  
anent.

The provest, bailyies and counsell of this burgh being conveyened, and considering that the toun has alreadie given ane call to the reverend Mr. George Andrew, minister of the Gospell at Tarbolthouse, to come and accept to be ane of the ministers of this burgh, whilk call wes remitted either to the General Assembly or to the Synod of Glasgow and Aire, which is to be holden at Irveing, which of the tua should first meet, and the forsaid synod being appointed to meet at Irveing on Tuesday the sexth of March instant, they have nominat and appointed, and heirby nominats and appoints John Aird, present balyie, to repair to the said burgh of Irveing the said day, with such as are appointed be the generall session, and to prosecute the said call before the said synod, and use his

outmost endeavour for getting the said Mr. George Andrew to accept of the said call to be ane of the tounes ministers, and to procure him transported accordingly.

13 *March* 1694.

The magistrats and counsell ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Marshall, wrytter, fourteen pounds Scots money, for his expenssis and paines in goeing doune to Greenock to instrument the collector deput to translate the custome office, there, back to Newport Glasgow, where it was formerlie settled, conforme to the order of the lords of thesaurie and exchequer theranent.<sup>1</sup>

The saids magistrats and counsell nominat and appoint John Anderson and James Peadie, lait provests, and George Buchanan, three of ther number, to repair to the burgh of Lanerk, and there to meet with the commissioners of the shyre anent the redresse of the undew proportion of the levie, and to use all proper methods anent the same as they shall think convenient.

17 *March* 1694.

In presence of the provest, balyies and counsell, compeared John Andersone of Dowhill and made report to them that, conforme to ane commission and act of counsell, of the dait the thretteen day of March instant, he, with James Peadie and George Buchanan, did repair to Lanerk to meet with the commissioners of the shyre anent the redresse of the undew proportion of the levie, and that the saids commissioners did not meet with them, to concurre anent the said redress, and therefore the said John Andersone and the other tua persons, commissionat as aforesaid, took instruments against the commissioners of the shyre, and did thereafter meet with the magistrates and toun clerk of Lanerk, and deasyred them to meet with the magistrates of Glasgow and Rutherglen, at any indifferent place, to adjust the proportions of the men to be levied out of each of the saids burghes amongst themselves, in regard the commissioners of the shyre did not meet, quhich the magistrates of Lanerk promised to consider and to give accompt therof to the magistrates of Glasgow, which they have not as yet done. Quhich report wes approven be the saids magistrats and counsell, and therefore they ordaine

<sup>1</sup> See Glasg. Chart., II., p. 410, No. 948.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

the thesaurer to pay to the said George Buchanan eighteen pounds sixteen shilling eight pennies Scots debursed be him for the saids commissioners ther personal charge, horse hyres and instruments taken be them at Lanerk.

Dean of gild  
and others to  
repair to  
Hamiltone.

The magistrats and counsell being conveyened, ther wes ane missive letter just now produced from the magistrates of Lanerk, intimating that they were willing and readie to meet at Hamiltone on Fryday next, in order to the adjusting of the proportions of this burgh and the burghs of Lanerk and Rutherglen of this present levie; and therefore the saids magistrats and counsell doe appoynt George Robertsonsone to make intimation to the magistrats of Rutherglen of that dyett, and also nominats and appoynts the dean of gild, James Peadie, lait provest, Mathew Cuming, elder, and George Buchanane to repair to Hamiltone on Fryday next to the effect abovespecifeit.

Proportion of  
the levie.

The saids magistrates and counsell nominat and appoint the present magistrats and impowers them, with any they shall think fitt to call to ther assistance, to take such proper methods as they shall judge convenient for fitting out this burghs proportion of this present levie, and recommends to them to doe the same with the outmost dilligence and to report.

24 March 1694.

Report anent  
proportion of  
the levie.

The provest reported that, conforme to ane act of counsell of the dait the seventeen day of March instant, empowering the magistrates, with any whom they should think fitt to call for ther assistance, to take such proper methods as they should judge convenient for fitting out this burghs proportion of the present levie, the saids magistrats did judge it ane proper expedient for that effect to admitt such of these whom they should make use of for the levie, burgesses and freemen of this burgh, and the benefite therof to redound to them and theirs, and accordinglie they did ordaine the dean of gild and his brethren to enter such of these who voluntarilie engaged burgesses and freemen therof, which was accordinglie done; and whilk report being considered be the said magistrates and counsell, they approve of the said method already taken be the saids magistrates, and ordaines, in tyme cominy, the dean of gild and his bretheren to admit such of these persons who voluntarily

engadge burgesses and freemen of this burgh, as they shall be appointed therto be the magistrates, till the levie be compleated. And they do allow the magistrats to agree with these who have already engadged, or shall heirafter engadge voluntarilie, at the rates following, viz., to such who desire to be admitted burgesses and freemen, 50 merks Scots besyde ther said admission as burgesses and freemen; and to such as desyre not the said benefitie of burgesship 100 merks Scotts money, as ane suitable encouragement to them for their voluntar engadgement; and recommends to the said magistrates to take such proper methods as they shall think fitt for conveening the fencible men, at such convenient places as they shall see meet, and to intimat to them to furnish out men, for the compleating of the levies, and that the inhabitants are to reimburse the expenssis alreadie debursed or to be debursed for outreiking this present levie.

The magistrats and counsell being conveened, Mr. Robert Park, clerk of this burgh, represented that he may have some occasions to take him to Edinburgh, and particularlie now to attend the approaching generall assemblee of this church as clerk therof, and therefore humblie desyred that he might be allowed to grant ane deputation in favouris of James M'Bryde, latlie ane of the under clerks of counsell and session, to serve as his deput in the said office, as freelie as the said Mr. Robert (he being comptable to the said Mr. Robert for the dewes); which desyre being considered be the saids magistrates and counsell, they heirby allow the said Master Robert to grant ane deputation to the said James M'Bryde for serving as deput in the office as afforsaid.

Mr. Robert  
Park, deputa-  
tion to James  
M'Bryde.

26 March 1694.

The provest, balyies and counsell being conveened, compeared James M'Bryde, laithie allowed to be clerk deput of this burgh, and produced ane deputation granted to him be Mr. Robert Park, principall clerk of this burgh, who as deput gave his oath *de fidei administratione*, and therupon took instruments.

James  
M'Bryde  
admitted  
clerk deput.

The provest, balyies and counsell nominat and appoint John Anderson of Dowhill to repair to the city of Edinburgh, there to attend as ther commissioner at the generall assembly to be holden there, and to

John Ander-  
sone, generall  
assembly;  
call to  
minister.

prosecute the call given to Mr. George Andrew, and he is to have tua distinct commissions for that effect.

Warrant,  
custome  
house.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to James Slosse, for himself and John Waddropp and Mathew Cuming, younger, the soume of [£811 3s.] Scots, debursed be them anent the translateing of the custome house back from Greenock to Newport Glasgow.

7 April 1694.

David  
Donald,  
burgess and  
gildbrother.

[On the petition of David Donald, hammerman in Cartyne, "shewing that his grand-father was burgess and gild brother of this burgh, and made the locks of the tolbooth therof, above eightie years since," the town council "ordained the dean of gild to admitt and receave the said David Donald burgess and gild-brother of the said burgh, without payment of any dues for the same, he allwayes liveing and useing his trade in this citie, and that because of his great skilfullness in his art and trade."]

William  
Park, comb-  
maker, dis-  
charged to  
sell combs.

The provest, bailies and town councill of Glasgow being conveyened, there wes ane supplication presented to them be severall merchants, burgesses of the said burgh, subscryvers of the said supplication, being threttie nyne in number, shewing that, notwithstanding William Park, combmaker, be not freeman nor incorporate in any of the incorporations of the said burgh, yet he, contrair to the priviledges of burgh, hes severall years bygain followed a freeman trade by makeing of combs and that unsufficient, and retailing the same in smalls or the lyke, to the great prejudice of chopkeepers, therfore craveing that he might be discharged and fyned, in maner specifeit att lenth in the said petition; which being read and considered in councill, the saids provest, bailies and town councill ordained the said William Park aither to obtain himself entered and receaved burgess and freeman of the said burgh, or otherwayes from this tyme not to sell any of his combs to any person or persons whatsoever except to freemen allenarly.

John How to  
account for  
seat money.

The provest, bailies and toun councill doe recomend and heirby recommends to John Corse, dean of gild, to call before him John How, collector of the seatmoney within this burgh, and to call him to ane accompt of his intromission with the said seat money, as also to call for ane accompt from the said John How of the haill old rests of the said seatmoney preceeding the tyme of his intromission, and to make report of his diligence to the councill.

21 April 1694.

The provest, bailies and town councill, conveyened, in answer to a Place for a petition given in be diverse and sundry persons therin subscriyveing, <sup>bear mercat.</sup> heretors and burgesses of the burgh, craveing that the magistrats and town councill would buy a ruinous tenement beyond the Gallowgate bridge which belongs to William Fawsyde, merchant, as air to umquhill Hugh Fawsyde, merchant, his father, and build the bear mercat therupon, for the good of the burgh and incouragement of the heretors of the brunt lands to build the same, they appointed and heirby appoint the provest, bailies, [and six others] to visit the said ruinous house and take consideration therof, or of any other place that may be fitt, suteable and convenient for the said beir mercat, and make report of their diligence and thought therof to the councill.

[On the supplication of John Wardrop, late bailie, "craveing such a suteable Wardrop, encouragement as they thought fitt, to build that his foretenement in the Gallow- <sup>couragement</sup> gate (lately brunt by the accidentall fire), for the decorement of the town, he <sup>to build.</sup> haveing never yet gott any encouragement for building," the town council allowed him 500 merks, "he allwayes building the same with sufficient asslarie stone work and a selate ruife."]

23 April 1694.

The town councill being conveyened, there was ane representation <sup>Act in favour of the stent-</sup> made be the stentmasters, elected twentie third December last, shewing <sup>master.</sup> that, notwithstanding that be the instructions given them be the town councill they were instructed and appointed to lay upon the land rent of the houses within this burgh two pound per cent. of the termes cess of Mertimes and Candlemes last, that yet notwithstanding therof they, for the ease of the poor inhabitants, had stented fiftie eight shilling four pennies upon each hundreth pound of rent forsaid; which representation being considered be the said town councill they fynd that the said stentmasters had evidently contraveened their instructions, by their stenting of the said ane hundreth pound of rent with more then fourtie shilling for the saids two termes, and yet nevertheless, because the saids two termes stent is not yet uplifted, and leist their may hazard and prejudice arryse to the town by longer delay therin, therfore they for this present tyme doe dispense with the cast of stent aforsaid, declareing that the same shall be no rule in tyme comeing.

1 May 1694.

Appoynting  
yards for  
fewaris.

The provest, bailyies and town councill, being willing to give encouragement to James Parker, merchant in Newport Glasgow [and four others], ilk ane of whom have fewed frae the saids magistrats and town councill of Glasgow ane peice or parcell of waste ground in Newport Glasgow, wherupon they are to build houssis in maner particularly expressed in the fewrights therof, subscriyved be the saids provest, bailyies and town councill of the date heirof;<sup>1</sup> therefore they have given and granted and heirby gives and grants full power and liberty to each of the forenamed persons, fewars forsaid, to labour and possess as much of the waste ground at Newport Glasgow not yet disposed of be the town as shall correspond in proportion and measure with the waste ground disponed and fewed to each of the forenamed persons, and that as yards to them, ay and while the said town of Glasgow aither few or otherwayes dispose upon the saids yairds for building houssis, for the good and decorement of that place. And in caise the saids yairds shall heirafter be fewed or disposed of as said is, then the saids fewars, and ilk ane of them, as they shall be required, most quitt their possession of the saids yairds, and in lew and place therof they are heirby allowed to labour and possess other parts adjacent of the said waste ground of Port Glasgow (not then disposed of be the town of Glasgow), of the respective measures and proportions abovespecifeit, as yairds, ay and while the town dispose of these also as said is; declareing heirby that the libertie aforsaid shall inferr no right of property; as also declareing that if any of the fewars, particularly abovenamed, shall desyre herefter to purchase the saids yairds in few and build therupon, that they shall be preferred therto before any other person or persons, they allwayes building houssis therupon, payeing fewdewtie therfore, and giveing conditions, as hes bein done or as the town shall think fitt heireftir to doe with others.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Several Feu Contracts of ground at Port-Glasgow are specified in Glasgow Charters, II., p. 410, *et seq.*

<sup>2</sup> The privileges thus granted to five feuars were extended to all the Port Glasgow feuars by act of council dated 18th August, 1694.



12 May 1694.

The provest, bailies and town councill, haveing it formerly under Ramshorne  
their consideration that Ninian Hill of Lambhill was about to sell his <sup>and Meadow-</sup>  
lands of Ramshorn and Meadowflatt, and that some person or persons <sup>flat.</sup>  
who might purchase the said lands might perhaps improve the samine  
to the prejudice of this burgh, therefore, and to the effect any such  
prejudice might be prevented, the town councill did formerly appoint  
and recomend to the provest, bailies, and some others of the town  
councill, to commun with the said Ninian Hill anent the buying and  
purchaseing the saids lands from him in favouris of this burgh, and  
now the saids magistrates and town councill considering that the fore-  
named persons had agreed with the said Ninian Hill for the soume of  
twentie thousand and three hundreth merks Scots money, as the pryce  
of the saids lands, to be payed at Whitsunday next, att which tyme the  
disposition therof is also to be subscryved, therefore the saids magistrats  
and town councill doe now heirby approve of the said transaction and  
agreement; and in regaird it is agreed betwixt the town councill and the  
three hospitalls afterspecifeit, viz. : the Merchants, Trades, and Hutchesons  
hospitalls) that the saids hospitalls shall equally and proportionally make  
payment of the said pryce, and thereafter get from the saids magistrats and  
town councill rights and dispositions of the saids lands, proportionable  
to the soumes so to be payed be them, to be holden in few of the said  
town for the yearly payment of small fewdewties, and their dispositions  
and rights to be burdened with such burdens, provisions and conditions  
as shall be thought fitt, to prevent the improveing of the saids lands  
heirefter to the prejudice of the said town, therefore the saids magistrats  
and town councill heirby binds and enacts themselves that, immediatly  
after their receaveing of the said disposition frae the said Ninian Hill  
in their favouris, and the forsaid pryce from the saids three houses or  
hospitalls, they shall denude themselves of the saids lands proportionable,  
to be holden and with the conditions and burdens abovespecifeit; and in  
case the said town councill shall faillye to grant in favouris of the saids  
hospitalls the forsaid rights and dispositions, that then and in that caise  
they shall refund and pay back to the saids houses, and ilk ane of them,

their respective soumes so to be payed out, with the annualrents of the samine from the tyme of the advanceing therof.

Warrant,  
Mr. Thomas  
Kennedies  
stipend.

The magistrats and town councill haveing considered that Mr. Thomas Kennedy, minister, haveing such ane urgent and present occasion for money which could not suffer him to wait the sitting of the town council for obtaining ane warrant upon the thesaurer, he had made his applicatione to the provest, bailyie Nisbitt, and the dean of gild, who be ane paper under their hands, dated the first day of May instant, did desyre the thesaurer to advance to the said Mr. Thomas the soume of ane thousand and eightie merks; which they fand to be only resting to him of his stipend frae Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> nyntie three to Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> nyntie four (he being four moneths of that tyme in Ireland); off which order abovewrittin, granted be the forenamed persons to the said thesaurer, the saids magistrats and town councill doe heirby approve and of the payment made or to be made be the thesaurer be vertew therof.

Warrant,  
gifts of sack.

[Ordaind payment of £41 15s. 6d. sterling "as the pryce of ane butt of sack sent be the town to his grace the Duke of Hamiltoun, and of ane rubar of seck given be the town to the barron bailyie for good service to the town."]

Workmen  
and others at  
Newport  
Glasgow.

The magistrats and town councill being very ready and willing to promote the advantage and entres of Newport Glasgow, and takeing to consideration that there are severall workmen and others who doe desyre to build upon the west pairt of that ground there near the burn, therefore the saids magistrats and town councill declare that if any such persons shall make applicatione to them they will grant liberty and warrant to them to build on the said waste ground for the yearly payment of the fewdewtie afterspecifeit, viz., twelve pennies Scots money for ilk foot in the forefront and sex pennies Scots money forsaid for ilk foot backward.

19 May 1694.

Pryce of  
Ramshorne  
and Meadow-  
flat.

The provest, bailyies and town councill conveened, the dean of gild represented to them that, according to their former act dated the twelfth of this instant, the three Hospittalls houssis have proportionally payed in

to Ninian Hill of Lambhill the soume of twentie thousand three hundreth merks Scots money (each of the saids houses a thrid pairt theroff), and that as the pryce agreed to of the lands of Ramshorne and Meadowflatt, and that he had receaved frae the said Ninian the disposition therof in favouris of the town, wherupon the saids magistrats and town councill declared and obliged and enacted themselves that, according to the said former act, they shall aither denude themselves of the saids lands in favouris of the saids three houses, to each of them a thrid pairt, or otherwayes refund and repay their said soume of money, with the annualrent therof frae Whitsunday last, and ordains Mr. Robert Park, their principall clerk, to take in the disposition to Edinburgh that resignation may be exped therupon in exchequer.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrats and town councill conveened, upon a representation made to them that the old miln of Partick was become ruinous and insufficient, they ordain William Barclay, master of work, to visite the said milne and to take particular inspection and consideration of the caise therof, and what is wanting and defective, and to conferr with Agnes Gilhagie, relict of umquhill William Andersone, tacksman therof, and William Wallace, hir present husband, theranent, and anent the repairing of the same, and to report his dilligence to the councill the next councill day.

The magistrats and town councill have subscriyved ane tack be them in favouris of John Crawford, lately ane of the bailies of Glasgow, and Euphan Andersone, his spouse, and longest liver of them twa (secludeing thair airis or assigneys) off the towns great lodgeing at Port Glasgow, with office houssis, peice of arrable ground there, with the yaird and pertinents, for [three years after Whitsunday 1694; reserving liberty to feu any part of the arable ground and to allow the feuars to labour and possess as much ground as may be thought necessary for yards to their houses]. As also with liberty to the saids spouses to divide the said great lodgeing in two dwellings, upon their own expenssis, and to dispose theron att their pleasure, they allwayes keeping a sufficient change and accomodation be themselves for merchants and others. For the whilkis caussis and tack the saids spouses are bound to pay yearly four hundreth merks Scots money. . . .

<sup>1</sup> Disposition and charter of resignation, printed in Glasg. Chart., II., pp. 251-64.

4 June 1694.

Report of the  
meeting at  
Hamilton  
anent the  
levie.

In presence of the provest, bailies and town councill convened, John Andersone of Dowhill reported in their presence that he and Mr. Robert Park, their clerk, being ordered to repair to Hamiltown, upon the twentie twa day of May last, to attend the commissioners of the supply for the shirreffdome of Lanerk, for adjusting before the saids commissioners the proportions of men to the present levie cast on upon the burghs of Glasgow, Lanerk and Rutherglen, and what should be the just proportion of each of the saids burghs, that accordingly they had attended, day and place forsaid, and that there wes none of the commissioners of supply of the shire that did come there except one, and that they did meet with there one from Lanerk but none from Rutherglen, and so nothing could be done in the affair abovewrittin, and that they had taken instruments therupon, in the hands of the said commissioners their clerk, that they for the town of Glasgow were ready to attend the meeting of the commissioners in obedience to the said act of councill, which report the saids magistrats and councill doe heirby approve of and ordain the town thesaurer to make payment to Dowhill of fourtein pounds ten shilling Scots as their expenssis debursed be them in the matter forsaid. As also ordains the master of wark to make payment of the hire of their three horses.

Tack of the  
hulk sub-  
sryved in  
favouris of  
Gartnavell.

The provest, bailies and town councill have subscriyved ane tack be them in favouris of James Crawford of Gartnavell of their hulk and two floats, for the space of three yeares next after the fyftein day of May last, for the yearly payment to the town thesaurer of twentie sex pounds sterling money.

5 June 1694.

Roup of  
comonne  
guids.

[Mills, 8,700 merks; ladles, 4,200 merks; meal market and pecks, 1,000 merks; tron, 1,090 merks; bridge, 1,730 merks.]

9 June 1694.

Warrant,  
friend of the  
town.

[Approved of payment of £175 Scots "to a certain friend of the town, in respect the same was done as a token of the towns respect and kindness for assisting of them in obtaining the towns gift of twa pennies upon the pynt."]

Old miln of  
Partick.

There being a representation made that the old miln of Partick wes become ruinous and liklie to fall down, therefore the saids magistrats and

town councill recomends to the provest to wryte a letter to Mr. Robert Park, their clerk, for present att Edinburgh, that he would represent the ruinous case of the said miln to the lords of thesaurie or exchequer, and endeavour to procure ane order from them upon the factor that uplifts the rents of the bisshoprick of Glasgow for repairing of the said miln.

The magistrats and town councill, considering that when formerly <sup>Quartering money.</sup> souldieris were quartering upon the inhabitants of the toun for the cess and excyse, the quartering money wes oft times payed to the souldieris out of the towns money, which practise the saids magistrats and town councill judgeing to be unreasonable, they now, for preventing therof, ordain that in all tyme comeing these persons who are deficient in payment of cess or excyse, and upon whom souldieris shall be quartered for payment therof, that the saids persons deficient as said is shall themselves make payment to the souldieris of their quartering money before they remove, and that no magistrat heirefter pay any quartering money out of the towns money, and if they doe the contrary that they shall be lyable therefore themselves.

14 June 1694.

The provest, bailies and town councill, considering that they want <sup>Call for obtaining Mr. Thomas Ramsay minister.</sup> a minister within the burgh, they, after mature advyce and deliberation, with advyce and consent of the ministers and kirk session within the said burgh, have thought fitt to subsryve a call to Mr. Thomas Ramsay, minister at Calder, to be ane of the ministers of this burgh, and of the south quarter congregation of the same, and heirby gives full power and commission to John Aird, elder, and George Nisbitt, present bailies [and three others], to prosecute the said call (with such persons as shall be appointed be the kirk session forsaid), and for that effect to attend the presbitrie of Glasgow to sitt at Glasgow this day, or any other dayes heireftir, and to use their endeavours for obtaining the said Mr. Thomas Ramsay transported to the said burgh and congregatiune therof aforsaid, and doe all other things theranent necessarie and expedient.

30 June 1694.

The provest, bailies and town councill, takeing to their considera- <sup>State and condition of royall burrows.</sup> tion ane act of the commission appointed be their Majesties and estates

of parliament for inspecting the estate and condition of the common good and debts of the burghs royall of this kingdom, dated the twentieth day of June instant, wherby intimation is ordained to be made to the magistrats and counccills of the saids burghes, to the effect that the saids magistrats bring in to the clerk of the said commission a state, drawn up in wryteing and subscriyved be the cheife magistrate and clerk of each burgh of their respective common good and publick revenues, and of the whole debts and burdens affecting the samine, as the said state is att present, and lykewayes a state of the said common good and publick revenues and debts and burdens affecting them, as the said estate was in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> sextie, as also particular states and accompts of the subsequent and interveening years, until this present tyme, of what alterations have hapened in the forsaid state of the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> sextie yeares, aither in charge or discharge; and farder be the said act the magistrats and counccills of burghes, and all others concerned, are theirby required to bring in what complaints have bein made or that they find fitt to make of particular malversers within burghs, and of their malversations, with what instructions and documents they can give of the samine, and that betuixt and the first Friday of July next, being the sixth of the said moneth, as is contained in the said act; therefore the saids magistrats and town counccill heirby nominats, appoints, and gives full power and commission to John Andersone of Dowhill, late provest of this burgh, to attend the saids commissioners, and to take in with him and to produce before the saids commissioners what books of the town counccill or other compts that may be neidful for satisfieing the saids commissioners in relation to the said burgh of Glasgow, and to doe all other things requisite and necessar theranent, as shall be found necessary and required be the said commissioners.

Warrant,  
Dowhill,  
towns books.

The magistrats and town counccill ordain the thesaurer to pay to John Andersone of Dowhill, late provest of this burgh, the soume of threttie pounds sterling money, and that for twa years sellarie, viz., frae Lambes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie ane to Lambes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie three, due to him for keeping of the towns books of charge and discharge of revenues and excyse, being fytein pound sterling yearly. As also the saids magistrats and town counccill appointed and heirby appoints the said John Andersone to keep the saids books in tyme comeing dureing the counccills pleasure.

Ordain the thesaurer to pay to Jonet Lorn, relict of umquhill William Warrand, Wallace, lait bailie of this burgh, the soume of sex pound sterling, because of her poor condition and the many children she hath to bring up, and former services done be her to the town.

John Corse, dean of gild, and John Andersone of Dowhill reported and represented that they had attended the presbitrie of Pasley, the *(blank)* day of June instant, and had supplicat the said presbitrie for their authoriseing the presbitrie of Glasgow to supply the people of Port Glasgow in preaching by some qualified young man, or by some of the said presbitrie of Glasgow themselves, from tyme to tyme, because Port Glasgow being a great distance from their paroch church of Kilmacolme many of them stayed att home, to the profanation of the Sabaoth, and that the presbitrie of Pasley, upon hearing of their petition, were resolved to promote the desyre therof and had ordained a correspondence betwixt both presbitries for that effect; of which report the saids magistrats and town councill doe heirby approve.

The magistrats and town councill have subscriyved a chartour of resignatione in favouris of Robert Maxuell of two tenements in Gorballis, on the north syde of the great lodging there belonging to the town, each tenement paying two merks and two hens of yearly fewdewtie; and ordains the said Robert Maxuell to pay in to John Peadie, towns factor of the Gorballis, the sowme of ane hundreth merks Scots money, and that in full payment and satisfaction to the saids magistrats and town councill for his entrie as singular successor but also for the hail fewdewties of the saids twa tenements, of all yearis and termes bygain, preceding the terme of Mertimes next to come.

The magistrats and town councill being informed that *(blank)* Brysone *(blank)* is desyreous to buy from them ane yearly fewdewtie of ten merks, upliftable be them out of that house and land called the Limehouse, wherof *(blank)* Liddell is heritor, therefore they appoint the provest, bailies, dean of gild, deacon conveener, or any others they think fitt to call to their assistance, to call before them the said *(blank)* Liddell and call for inspection from him of his last discharge of the said fewdewtie, and state ane accompt with him of what bygains therof he is resting, and treat and commune with him, as also with the said *(blank)*

Warrand,  
Jonet Lorne.

Dean of gild  
and Dowhills  
report of their  
attending the  
presbitrie of  
Pasley.

Chartour sub-  
scriyvit, two  
tenements in  
Gorballis.

Ground  
annuall of  
Lymehouse.

Bryson, anent the sale of the said yearly fewdewtie, and to make their report to the counsell with their first conveniencie.

Free anchor-  
age at  
Newport  
Glasgow.

The magistrats and town counsell, taking to their consideration that George Lyon and William Arbuckle, merchants, burgesses of Glasgow, and each of them, have obtained from the said town counsell ane few-right of a piece of ground in Port-Glasgow, off the quantitie, for the yearly fewdewtie, and upon their being bound to build houssis therupon, in maner specifeit in their respective fewrights, both of the date of thir presentis; and because the saids George Lyon and William Arbuckle hath first begun to build houssis at Newport Glasgow, and have bein encouraging to others therunto, therfore the saids magistrats and town counsell doe heirby give and grant to and in favouris of the said George Lyon and William Arbuckle, their airis and successoris, heritors of the saids respective peices of ground (they being allwayes burgesses and gild-brether of the burgh of Glasgow) full power and libertie to have sheltering, anchoring and lying with their veshellis whatsomever within the harbour, bay and bounds of Port-Glasgow, without any paying of any dewes whatsomever for the samine (they allwayes not sheltering strangeris under the pretext of the said libertie given to them as said is) sicklike and in the same maner as is reserved to the tennents of Newark, conforme to the right granted be Sir Patrick Maxwell of Newark to the town of Glasgow. And declares that this present libertie and exemption shall be als valid and sufficient to the saids George Lyon and William Arbuckle, and their forsaid, as if the same were particularly insert in and exprest in their respective fewrights forsaid.

Warrant for  
the jaylouris  
expenssis.

The magistrats and town counsell ordain the thesaurer to pay to William Carmichaell, jaylour, the soume of fourtie nyne pound sextein shilling eight pennies, Scots money, as charges and expenssis depursed be him for himself and four men with him guarding the person of ensign William Murray, from the tolbooth of Glasgow to the tolbooth of Edinburgh, in obedience to the Kings advocat and Sir Thomas Livingstoun their order theranent.

Warrant,  
pryce of the  
dyke at the  
flesh mercatt.

Ordain the thesaurer to make payment to William Woodrope, merchant, of the soume of sextie twa pound sevetein shilling sex pennies, Scots money, as the pryce of the said William his dyke (builded betwixt



the west corner of the north gavell of the fleshmercat and that peice of old dyke or sydewall belonging to (*blank*), consisting of twentie four elns or therby in lenth, with the ground wherupon the dyke is founded and builded, the said William allwayes giveing a right and disposition therof to the town, with this provision that if the town shall demolish the said dyke that they shall presently build up the same in ane other dyke, or in gavells or sydewalls of houses, which are to be as high as the town pleases but no laigher then the said dyke, which is three elns and ane half in height, so that the said William want not a defence to his yaird on the west syde therof; as also with this condition that the said William shall make use of the yeat or door att present in the said dyke, near the north end therof, ay and while he be deasyred and required be any ane of the magistrats of this burgh, present or to come, to desist frae the use therof and quitt the samine.

19 *July* 1694.

The provest, bailyes and councill [in pursuance of former acts appointing stent masters] to stent the inhabitantis resideing in this burgh <sup>Instructions for the stent masters.</sup> in the soume of threttein thousand, Scots money [for cess due at the term of Whitsunday last and Lammas next, £10,800, and 700 merks "short be wrong calculation" in the rolls of the stent masters appointed on 13 June 1693], and the remainder is for the towns proportion of the burrow missive dewes and expenssis and charges of ingathering of the stent, and also for making good the quota of the former stent which was laid on upon pensioners and poor that could not pay it; all which make up the said threttein thousand pounds, which is to be laid on and proportioned according to the rules and instructions following, viz., Inprimis, that the saids stentmasters shall stent everie burges, inhabitant within this burgh, according to their respective abilities. Item, that they stent the widdows of all such whose husbands have been burgesses, traders, aither as merchants or tradesmen. Item, that they stent all wryters and others, inhabitants within this burgh, who reap benefite and advantage within the same. Item, that they stent all burgesses who doe trade and traffique with the town, be vertew of their burgeship, albeit they be not actuall residents. Item, in respect that house rents are very low in this town they appoint the saids stentmasters to stent the valued rent of

houssis and lands pertaining to this burgh att eight upon each hundreth of valued rents forsaid, according to ane rentall given in to them for the saids two termes. As also that they stent the lands and houssis belonging to outentowns men not residenters in the double.

Anent fewing  
a wastage in  
Gorballis.

John Smith, wright in Gorballis, gave in a supplication, shewing that the town of Glasgow had pertaining to them ane peice of ground, whereupon there is ane waste ruinous house, whose sydewalls, gavills and roofe are fallen down, which is useless to the town and might be of use to the said John, who is now building ane house contiguè therto, and therefore craveing that the magistrats and town councill would grant him ane fewright of the said wastage, to the effect that he might build his stable therupon; which supplicatione being considered be the saids magistrats and town councill, they appointed and heirby appoints John Leckie, bailye, the dean of gild, deacon conveener, and John Woodrope, present bailye of the Gorballs, to commune with the said John Smith anent the fewing of the said wastage, and to report their thoughts of the said matter to the councill with their first conveniencie.

18 August 1694.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
Lord  
Blantyre.

Ordains the thesaurer to make payment to William Crawford, merchant, of the soume of twelve pounds ten shillings sterling money, as the pryce of ane hogshead of wine given be the town to the Lord Blantyre, and which wes bought and receaved frae the said William Crawford and his partiners; and which hogshead of wine, with a hogshead formerly delyvered to the said Lord Blantyre, mentioned in ane former act dated the twelfth day of May last, compleits the two hogshead of wine promised to his lordship for a discharge to be granted be him to the town of all his lordship could ask or crave anent all debates and contraversies betwixt him and the town in relation to some teyndis sold be his prediccors to the town, and this for eviteing all pleas and debates theranent in tyme comeing.

Bridge upon  
the water of  
Aire.

There wes read in counsell a missive letter from the Viscount Stair, president of the session, addresseing the councill for their help to build a bridge over that pairt of the water of Air, a litle below the said Viscount his house of Stair, which his lordship pleaded for upon the

accompt that it was a publick good to the whole country, and particularly to this town, it being the nearest and common way from Galloway to this town, quherin these that carry wooll, woollen webs and other goods from that countrey doe travell; which being considered be the saids magistrats and councill, and they being convinced of the usefulness of the said bridge doe therefore heirby enact and oblige themselves and successouris in office to make payment, to any person whom the said Viscount shall appoint, off the soume of twentie fyve pounds sterling money, as encouragement for building of the said bridge, with and under the speciall provisions and conditions allwayes eftirspecifeit, viz., that the said soume shall not be payed till the bridge be builded and perfyted, and that it be a sufficient stone pended bridge, with stone ledges, and that if any custome be exacted therat that burgesses of Glasgow, their horses or goods whatsoever and servants passeing or repasseing be the said bridge, shall be free of any custome or exaction whatsoever, and that in all tyme comeing.

John Leckie, ane of the present bailyies [and the others appointed on 19th July], reported that they had communed with John Smith, wright in Gorballis, anent the fewing to him of a ruinous waste house there,<sup>1</sup> of the measure and bounding contained in the fewright after specifeit, lying contigue to and upon the backsyde of the said John his new house which he is presentlie building, and it wes their thoughts and opinion that he should have a fewright therof, for ane hundreth merks Scots money of pryce and twelve pennies Scots of yearly fewdewtie, wherupon the magistrats and town councill approved and heirby approves of the said report and have subscrivit the fewright of the contents for-said, and ordains the said John Smith to pay in to the town thesaurer the said soume of ane hundreth merks.

The magistrats and town councill being willing (in prosecution of their former purposes) to give encouragement to all these persons who have allready fewed from the saids magistrats and town councill, or shall heirefter few frae them or their successouris in offices, peices of ground within their bounds of Newport Glasgow; therefore [they grant

A wastage in the Gorballis fewed to John Smith.

Act in favouris of the fewars of Port Glasgow for yairding.

<sup>1</sup> The remains of the Leper house, referred to *antea* p. 110. See also Regality Club, IV., pp. 39, 40, and relative Plan; Glasgow Charters, II., p. 412, No. 959.

to each feuar, past or future, the power and liberty granted to each of the feuars named in the act of 1 May, 1604, printed *antea*, p. 120].

Anent ship  
passes and  
prisoners for  
civill debts.

Ordaines the letter underwrittin, direct be the late King James to the lords of privie counsell in favouris of royal burrows, anent ships passes and prissoners for civill debts, as it was recorded in the books of privy counsell and thereftir recorded in the books of convention of burrows; conforme to the extract afterspecifeit, under the hand of Æneas M'Leod, town clerk of Edinburgh and general clerk of the royal burrowes, to be insert and recorded in their counsell books, of which extract the tenor followes:—[Here follow acts of convention in November, 1688, with letter from the King dated 25th September, 1688; printed in Convention Records IV., pp. 84, 85, 88.]

20 August 1694.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
Dowhill.

Ordains the thesaurer to make payment to John Andersone of Dowhill, late provest, of the soume of ane hundreth seventie ane pounds nyntein shilling, Scots money, as his expenssis and depursements in attending the convention of royall burrowes, and the commission of the parliament appointed for inspecting the condition and state of the burrowes, and others of the towns affairs, at Edinburgh in July last and August instant, conforme to his particular accompt therof revised be the dean of gild.

A third  
doctor added  
to the  
Grammer  
Schooll.

The magistrats and town counsell, takeing to consideratione that att present there are so many scholars in the Grammer Schooll that it will be neidfull that a third doctor be added therto, therefore the saids magistrats and counsell have appointed and heirby appoints that their be a third doctor provided for the said schooll, and heirby enacts themselves and their successouris in office for payment to the said third doctor of ane hundreth pounds Scots, yearly, of fie, commenceing frae the first day of October next to come, and that also the said third doctor shall be a precenter in one of the towns churches, provydeing he be qualified for that effect, with this provision and condition that the town counsell themselves shall have the nomination and choise of the said third doctor as use is, and that thir presents are only to continue dureing the pleasure of the town counsell allenarly.

8 September 1694.

The magistrats and town councill, takeing to their serious consideration <sup>Anent getting</sup> that because of the great distance that is betwixt the church of Kilmacolme <sup>Port Glasgow</sup> and Port Glasgow and the bay of Newark, as also the badness of the way, <sup>supplied with</sup> the people, inhabitants there, doe not repair to the church to attend the ordinances, although it be their parroch church, which hes begott a great profanation of the Lords Day, contempt of the ordinances and much idleness and debauchrie, to the great scandall of religion; as also they considering that there is a great repair of strangers, seamen and others, to the said port, through the increase of shipping and trade there, therefore and for preventing of the said abuse and scandall, and for supplying of that numerous people, the magistrats and councill think it needfull to make application to the presbitrie of Pasley, within which bounds the church and parroch of Kilmacolme ly, and represent to them the sad condition of the people, inhabitants of Newport Glasgow and Newark, that a way may be taken for preventing the forsaid abuse and supplying of the said place; and seing the said presbitrie is to meet att Greinock upon Tuesday the eleventh instant, therefore the saids magistrats and town councill doe heirby commissionat and appoint John Corse, dean of gild of the said burgh [and two others], to attend the said presbitrie, day and place forsaid, or upon any other day or att any other place when and where they shall happen to meet, and represent to them the forsaid caise, and to concurr with them in what measures they in their wisdom shall take for supplying of the said place, and to make their report to the saids magistrats and town councill.

Ther wes a supplicatione presented be the tradeing merchants of this burgh, craveing that the magistrats and town councill would take to their consideration the great advantages and conveniencies, specifeit in the said supplicatione, that would arryse, not only to the merchants and traders within this burgh, bot also to the haille inhabitants therof, by establishing of three posts in the week, and establish three posts in the week to go for Edinburgh and return, and that they would consider such methods as to make the same effectuell; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrats and town councill, they appointed and heirby appoints and recomends to John Corse, dean of gild, and John <sup>A comittie to</sup> <sup>consider upon</sup> <sup>establishing</sup> <sup>three posts a</sup> <sup>week.</sup>

Andersone of Dowhill, late provest, to consider upon what methods may be taken to establish the saids three posts a week, and what expenssis the same may coast, and report their dilligence therin and judgement therof to the cotncill, with their conveniencie.

Report anent  
the propor-  
tion of the  
levie.

The provest, Simon Tennent, deacon conveyener, and John Andersone, late provest, represented and reported in counccill that as to that long debate betwixt the burghs of Glasgow, Lanerk and Rutherglen, anent what is the just proportion to each of the saids burghs of the fourtie nyne men for the late levie, cast upon the saids three burghs be the commissioners of supply of the shire of Lanerk, that the saids burghs being charged with horning for (*blank*) men, wherin they were deficient of their said quota, and that the said John Andersone, late provest, being latelie in Edinburgh upon the towns affaires, did there meet with bailyie Hunter for Lanerick and John Scott, bailyie of Rutherglen, for Rutherglen, who being convinced that the determination of the difference most depend upon the just and true accompt of the fencible men in each burgh, therefore resolved and agreed that each burgh should proceed in their respective lists. Lykeas, upon the fourth of August last, the saids persons, reporters, and with them John Leckie, ane of the present bailyies of this burgh, as also the said bailyie Hunter and bailyie Weir for Lanerick and (*blank*) Scott, provest of Rutherglen, and (*blank*) Scott and (*blank*) Patersone, bailyies therof, for the said burgh, haveing met to prosecute their former resolutions, the provest of Glasgow produced a book of the list of the haill fencible men within this city, composed of the ten severall lists given up be severall persons appointed for that effect, and each particular list being subscryved in the book of lists be the severall persons who listed the same, extending the saids haill fencible men of this citie to ane thousand seven hundreth and fiftie, or within that number; lykeas the saids two other towns produced their respective lists, bearing their fencible men to be of the numbers after-specifeit, viz., of Lanerk two hundreth and fourtie and of Rutherglen ane hundreth and ten; and notwithstanding that be the said rule of the fencible men the saids two burghs of Lanerick and Rutherglen would be a sixth proportion with this town, yet for peice sake and leist their should be too long delay in a matter concerning the present government,

the reporters were willing that the saids two towns should only be a seventh proportion, so that this city should be fourtie twa and they seven of the saids fourtie nyne men; lykeas as, farder, because the two towns compleined of their povertie and of their difficultie of their getting the bodies of men, the provest of Glasgow offered to lend a man to them, the benefite of him being to accresce to them proportionally, according to their saids respective lists, and that the saids proposals were satisfieing to these of Rutherglen and Lanerk and accepted of be them; which haill report abovewrittin was approven be the councill.

18 *September* 1694.

Appoint John Corse, dean of gild, and his bretheren, to admitt and receave William Miller, meillman, burges of this burgh, and heirby remitts and discharges his fynes; and that in recompense to him of the worth and pryce of ane horse pertaining to him which by order of the magistrates was given to ane of the officers of Stranaveris regiment to persew after some deserters, wherby the horse being spoiled he thereafter died.

22 *September* 1694.

The magistrates and town councill convened, there wes ane supplication given in to them be the heritors and inhabitants of Saint Ennochs Weynd, commonly called the Shitt Weynd of Glasgow, shewing that the said weynd is ane publick common street and passage, not only to the petitioners but also to all the inhabitants of this burgh, and others, from the burgh to the old Grein and Broomielaw, and that the said street or way has been these many years almost impassible through its not being calseyed, which was yearly observed, these four or fyve years bygain, be the magistrats and landmeithers, who found it absolutely necessary that the samine should be calseyed, and promised that if the heritors and inhabitants forsaid should lead the stanes and sand the magistrates would pay the calseyer for calseying therof; and the petitioners, relying upon the promises and landmeithers, they have furnished and led stones and sand therto and imployed Robert Leitch, calseyer, to calsey the samine, who hes now finished his work, and the calsey laid will be twelve rudes and twelve elns, and the petitioners have given bread and

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burgess,  
Stranaveris  
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Petition be  
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Ennoch's  
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drink to the calseyers and furnished them with stones and sand to their hands as said is, therefore craveing ane appointment to some of their number to agree with and satisfie the said Robert Leitch for laying the said calsey; as the said supplicatione more fullie bears. Which petition being read in presence of the said councill, they appointed and heirby appoints the dean of gild and master of wark to commune and agree with the said Robert Leitch anent the said calsey, and to make their report to the councill.

Report, dean  
of gild and  
others anent  
the seats.

The magistrats and town councill convened, the dean of gild [and three others] reported in their presence that they, haveing convened in obedience to ane former act, dated the eightein day of this instant, they have considered the lists and rolls of the seats in the respective kirks of this burgh, and that it is their opinion that the seats are too dear, and that in regaird there is so much burden lying upon the inhabitants of the place it is fitt that the rents of the saids seats should be abated and regulated as followes, viz., that the seats of the Inner High Kirk and of the Laigh Kirk shall have abatement of a third pairt of the rents therof, and that the seats of the Outer High Kirk shall pay twelve shilling Scots instead of a merk Scots of rent payed formerly, and these of the Weynd meeting house shall pay ten shilling instead of twelve shilling formerly payed; and that these respective abatements and eases abovementioned shall only take place for the rents of the saids respective seats from the first of September instant; and the saids reporters declared that their reason why they thought fitt to make so little abatement upon the seats of the Outer High Kirk and Weynd meeting house is because of former considerable abatements given of the seats in these churches; as also they reported that it was their opinion that John Miller, present collector, should use all dilligence in inbringing the seat money preceeding the said first day of September instant, att the pryces contained in the rolls given up be John How, late collector, and that he summarily convene before the magistrats all those persons who will not pay what they are resting owing; and sicklyke it is the reporters opinion that the magistrats shall secure in prisson all such who will not pay what they are owing, therin to remain ay and while they make payment; and that if, upon the said John Millers verifikatione, the magistrates refuse swa to doe, that the



magistrates so refuseing shall be lyable for the same, and in caise John Miller shall not doe diligence as said is for the saids bygones, betwixt and the first day of January next to come (att which tyme his accompts ought to be made), that the said John himself shall be lyable in what he hes not done diligence for; which report abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrates and town councill they have approven and heirby approves of the samine and hail poynts therof.

*24 September 1694.*

The magistrates and town councill convened, being sufficiently informed of the literature and qualifications of Mr. Thomas Findley, and off his fittedness to be a doctor in the Grammer Schooll of this burgh, they in prosecution of their former act, dated the twentie day of August last, doe heirby nominat and appoint the said Mr. Thomas Findley to be a third doctor in the Grammer Schooll of this burgh, and him to have the fie and conditions specifeit in the said former act and with and under the provisions therinexpressed.

Mr. Thomas Findley, a third doctor in the Grammer Schooll.

*27 September 1694.*

The magistrates and town councill being convened, compeared personally in their presence, Mr. Williame Dunlop, principall of the Colledge of Glasgow, and represented that Anna dutches of Hamilton, being to mortifie the soume of eightein thousand merks, Scots money, for pious uses, viz., the mantainance of bursaris in the said colledge; and that in prosecution of a design of the late William duke of Hamiltoun, and that she judged it most suteable that the said soume should be secured in some good hand before she assigned and mortified the same to the colledge for the uses forsaid; as also the said Mr. William Dunlop earnestlie desyred that the magistrates and town councill of Glasgow would so far concurr for promoteing so good a design as to take the said money and to give their bond to the dutches therfore, to the effect the dutches may assign and mortifie the same as is abovespecifeit. Which being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and town councill they did subscrivye a bond in favouris of the said Anna dutches of Hamiltoun, her airs and assigneys, for the said soume of eightein thousand merks, pay-

Bond sub-  
scrivit to  
Dutches of  
Hamiltoun  
for 18000  
merks.

able at Whitsunday next, with annualrent after Mertimes next, conforme to the act of parliament. [The bond was delivered to the treasurer, with instructions to receive the money, applying it in retiring other bonds of that value.]

29 September 1694.

Expenssis of  
the hulk.

The magistrates and town councill doe appoint John Corse, dean of gild [and three others], and such others they shall think fitt to call to their assistance, to call before them George Lyon, merchant, and call for ane accompt from him of the haill expenssis wared out in building of the hulk, and to clear the said accompt with him, as also to gett ane inventar from the said George, subscryved with his hand, of the haill apparelling and pertinents of the said hulk, and to report.

Rules for  
affairs in  
Newport  
Glasgow.

The magistrates and town councill appoints the dean of gild [and others] to meet, conveene, and consult upon and sett down in wryte fitt and expedient rules and instructions for the better management of the towns affairs att Newport Glasgow, and especially anent the shoare and harbour there, for preventing of the daylie abuses committed in that place, as also anent the imposeing and the ingathering of the anchorage and the keyage of what ships, barks, boats and veshells doe come within the towns harbour and shoare there, and to make their report.

Broomilaw.

Appoints the dean of gild [and others] to meet, convene and consult upon and set down in wryte what rules and instructions they think fitt and expedient for regulating the towns key of Broomielaw, and afterwards to make their report.

Honorary  
burges  
tickets.

Ordain the thesaurer to pay to William Baxter, merchant [£30 14s.], Scots money, as the pryce of ribbons furnished be him to the dean of gild for honorary burges tickets, in the moneths of June, July and August last and September instant.

A committee  
for the poors  
petitions.

Appoints John Leckie, bailyie [and others], to meet on Munday next, att ten of the clock of the forenoon, in the clerks chamber, and take to their consideration the haill petitions given in to the councill be the poor for charity, and allow them what charity they think fitt, for which they are to draw orders upon the thesaurer to be subscryved be bailyie Leckie for payment accordingly, or to refuse what of the saids petitions they think fitt to refuse.

The magistrates and town councill did (att the desyre and with A disposition  
 consent of Robert Campbell, now of Silvercraigs, designed in the bond subscrivit of  
 afterspecifeit sone to Robert Campbell, elder, merchant in Glasgow) sub-lands and  
 scribe ane disposition and assignation in favouris of Donald Campbell apprysing  
 of Sroandavin, Donald M'Callum, bailye of Glasserie, and Coline thereof.  
 M'Lauchlane of Achivegorran, their airs and assigneys whatsomever,  
 each of them for their own pairts, proportionally to the respective soumes  
 payed be them to the said Robert Campbell, in maner specifeit in the  
 said disposition, off all and haill the lands and others underwrittin,  
 formerly pertaining to Coill Lamount of Silvercraigs, and apprysed frae  
 him, in maner also mentioned in the said disposition, viz., the lands of  
 Ardchalmessage, to witt the fyve merk half merk land of Two Carricks,  
 the twentie three shilling four pennie land of Auchnaba, the fiftie shilling  
 land of Ardnaherrire, the three merk land of Kilmichaelbeg, the three  
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 merk half merk land of Doupine, lying within the barronie of Inneryne  
 and shirreffdome of Argyle; as also all and haill the three merk land of  
 Killenan lyand within the said shirreffdome, with the decreet of appryse-  
 ing therof, att the instance of Hutchesones Hospitall, against the said  
 Coill Lamount and otheris therinspecifeit, grounds and warrands therof,  
 infetments and other wrytes following therupon, with warrandice frae  
 the magistrats and councill and their successouris their facts and deeds  
 . . . and that in implement of ane obleisment dated the eleventh  
 day of November j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> sextie fyve years, granted be the then master  
 of the said Hospitall, with advyce and consent of the then magistrates  
 and town councill relative to the said appryseing and infetment theron,  
 and mentioning that the saids lands did then pertain to the said burgh  
 of Glasgow in regaird they gave satisfaction to the Hospitall of the  
 debt for which the saids lands were apprysed, and mentioning lyke-  
 wayes that seing the said Robert Campbell, elder, then deceist, and the  
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 merks, in satisfaction of the forsaid appryseing, conforme to ane agree-  
 ment betwixt them and the saids Robert Campbells, elder and younger,

theranent, as is more fully specifeit in the said bond, therefore the then master of the Hospitall, who only stood infett in the saids lands with consent of the saids magistrates and town councill, and they for themselves obliged them and their successouris in office to denude themselves in favouris of the said umquhill Robert Campbell, elder, in liferent, and in favouris of the said Robert Campbell, his sone, in fie, or of any other person they should desyre, nominat and appoint, of the haill lands and otheris abovewritten, in maner more fullie specifeit in the said bond and disposition forsaid wherin the same is narrated. . . .<sup>1</sup>

2 October 1694.

Warrant,  
preachers.

Ordain the thesaurer to pay to Mr. Robert Andersone and Mr. Robert Rowand, preachers of the Gospell, to ilk ane of them fyve pounds sterling money, and that in consideration of the pains taken be them in examining of the people in the south quarter of this burgh who want a minister.

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13 October 1694.

Act against  
the candle-  
makers.

Their being a representation made by severall of the burgesses and inhabitants of this burgh, compleining that the candlemakers had transgressed the towns statutes, and also compleining of the transportation of tallow, both ryned and unryned, out of this burgh, so that the inhabitants cannot be served with candle according to the statutes, and the said representation being maturely considered, the provost, bailies and town councill [appointed the bailies to call the transgressors before them and to punish them "with all rigour and severitie"].

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The provest, bailies and town counsell having considered a com-<sup>Against the</sup>plaint made to them by severall of the condlemakers against the fleshers,<sup>transporting</sup> doe, upon mature consideration, prohibite and discharge all persons<sup>of tallow.</sup> whatsomever, whether freemen or others, to take or transport out of this burgh any quantities of tallow whatsomever, without speciall licence to be obtained from the magistrates and town counsell for that effect, under the pain of haveing the said tallow seised, the fourth therof to be given to the informer and the remainder of the same to be disposed of as the magistrates shall think fitt, besyde what further punishment the magistrates shall think fitt to inflict. And sicklyke the saids provest, bailies and counsell doe heirby ordain the fleshers to make up their tallow without any flesh or clyars, as the same by their outmost diligence may be prevented; and prohibites them to make up any greater bulks therof in quantitie then six stone weight by the peice. And further it is heirby appointed that the magistrates, when ever they visite the mercat, shall call such of the candlemakers as they think fitt to give their opinion to the saids magistrates in tryeing of the sufficiencie of the tallow. And, lastlie, it is heirby ordained that the fleshers shall, every week, once at least, delyver the tallow to the candlemakers, who are heirby appointed to receive the same off their hands accordingly.

26 October 1694.

The provest, bailies and town counsell ordain the dean of gild and James his brethern to admitt and receive James M'Bryd, late clerk deput of this<sup>M'Bryd</sup> burgh, burges and gildbrother of the samine, with all rights and prive-<sup>burgh and</sup>gildbrother. gildbrother. ledges therof, conforme to use and wont, and heirby remitts and discharges his fynes, and that for good service done and to be done be him to the town.

The provest, bailies and town counsell, takeing to their considera-<sup>James</sup>tion that the town clerkship of this burgh is vaccant by the deceis of<sup>M'Bryd</sup> Mr. Robert Park, their clerk, doe therefore elect, choise, nominat and<sup>chosen clerk.</sup> appoint James M'Bryd, late clerk deput of this burgh, to be town clerk

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The provest, bailies and town councill having considered a com-<sup>Against the</sup>plaint made to them by severall of the condlemakers against the fleshers, <sup>transporting</sup>doe, upon mature consideration, prohibite and discharge all persons <sup>of tallow.</sup>whatsomever, whether freemen or others, to take or transport out of this burgh any quantities of tallow whatsomever, without speciall licence to be obtained from the magistrates and town councill for that effect, under the pain of haveing the said tallow seised, the fourth therof to be given to the informer and the remainder of the same to be disposed of as the magistrates shall think fitt, besyde what further punishment the magistrates shall think fitt to inflict. And sicklyke the saids provest, bailies and councill doe heirby ordain the fleshers to make up their tallow without any flesh or clyars, as the same by their outmost diligence may be prevented; and prohibites them to make up any greater bulks therof in quantitie then six stone weight by the peice. And further it is heirby appointed that the magistrates, when ever they visite the mercat, shall call such of the candlemakers as they think fitt to give their opinion to the saids magistrates in tryeing of the sufficiencie of the tallow. And, lastlie, it is heirby ordained that the fleshers shall, every week, once at least, delyver the tallow to the candlemakers, who are heirby appointed to receive the same off their hands accordingly.

26 October 1694.

The provest, bailies and town counsell ordain the dean of gild and James his brethern to admitt and receive James M'Bryd, late clerk deput of this <sup>M'Bryd</sup>burgh, <sup>burgess and</sup>gildbrother of the samine, with all rights and prive-<sup>gildbrother.</sup>ledges therof, conforme to use and wont, and heirby remitts and discharges his fynes, and that for good service done and to be done be him to the town.

The provest, bailies and town councill, takeing to their considera-<sup>James</sup>tion that the town clerkship of this burgh is vaccant by the deceis of <sup>M'Bryd</sup>Mr. Robert Park, their clerk, doe therfore elect, choise, nominat and <sup>choisen clerk.</sup>appoint James M'Bryd, late clerk deput of this burgh, to be town clerk

theranent, as is more fully specifit in the said bond, therfore the then master of the Hospitall, who only stood infett in the saids lands with consent of the saids magistrates and town councill, and they for themselves obliged them and their successouris in office to denude themselves in favouris of the said umquhill Robert Campbell, elder, in liferent, and in favouris of the said Robert Campbell, his sone, in fie, or of any other person they should desyre, nominat and appoint, of the haill lands and otheris abovewritten, in maner more fullie specifit in the said bond and disposition forsaid wherin the same is narrated. . . .<sup>1</sup>

2 October 1694.

Warrant,  
preachers.

Ordain the thesaurer to pay to Mr. Robert Andersone and Mr. Robert Rowand, preachers of the Gospell, to ilk ane of them fyve pounds sterling money, and that in consideration of the pains taken be them in examining of the people in the south quarter of this burgh who want a minister.

Election of  
provest and  
bailies.

[Provost: William Napier; bailies: James Slosse, James Stewart, Simon Tennent.]

5 October 1694.

Election of  
councill.

[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.]

10 October 1694.

Election of  
dean of guild,  
etc.

[John Corse, dean of guild; George Nisbitt, deacon convener; George Robertstone, treasurer; George Murehead, bailie of Gorbals; John Robertstone, water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; George Buchanan, visitor of maltmen; John Allan, visitor of the gardeners.]

13 October 1694.

Act against  
the candle-  
makers.

Their being a representation made by severall of the burgesses and inhabitants of this burgh, compleining that the candlemakers had transgressed the towns statutes, and also compleining of the transportation of tallow, both ryled and unryled, out of this burgh, so that the inhabitants cannot be served with candle according to the statutes, and the said representation being maturely considered, the provest, bailies and town councill [appointed the bailies to call the transgressors before them and to punish them "with all rigour and severitie"].

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26 October 1694.

The provest, bailies and town counsell ordain the dean of gild and James his brethern to admitt and receive James M'Bryd, late clerk deput of this <sup>M'Bryd</sup>burgh, <sup>burghes and</sup>gildbrother of the samine, with all rights and prive-<sup>gildbrother.</sup>ledges therof, conforme to use and wont, and heirby remitts and discharges his fynes, and that for good service done and to be done be him to the town.

The provest, bailies and town counsell, takeing to their considera-<sup>James</sup>tion that the town clerkship of this burgh is vaccant by the deceis of <sup>M'Bryd</sup>Mr. Robert Park, their clerk, doe therfore elect, choise, nominat and <sup>choisen clerk.</sup>appoint James M'Bryd, late clerk deput of this burgh, to be town clerk

of the samine, with power to him to act and officiat as clerk, and to uplift, receave and dispose of the hail benefites, fies, profitis and casualties belonging to the said office, and that dureing the counccills pleasure, with this provision and condition that the said James M'Bryd shall submitt himself to the determination of the town counccill as to what proportion or pairt of the saids benefites, fies and casualties of the said clerkship, shall be ordained be the magistrates and town counccill to be payed out be him to a person to be appointed be them to keep the books of the towns revenues, estate and excyse, and give assistance in manageing of the towns affairs within the town; and the said James M'Bryd being present accepted of the said office and gave his oath *de fidei administratione officij* as use is, and swore and subscrivit the oath of allgediance and subscryed the assurance, conforme to the act of parliament.

2 November 1694.

Bailie Slosse  
and others to  
goe to Edin-  
burgh anent  
Mr. Parks  
murder.

The provest, bailies and town counccill doe heirby commissione and appoint James Peadie and John Andersone, late provests of this burgh, and James Slosse, ane of the present bailies therof, or any two of them, to repair to Edinburgh as soon as possible, and make a just and true representation of the way and maner how umquhill Mr. Robert Park, town clerk of this burgh, wes murdered be umquhill Major James Meinzie, and of the way and maner how the said Major Meinzie wes killed be one of these persons, who, be order of the magistrates, went in persute of the said Major for apprehending and bringing him to justice; as also the saids magistrates and town counccill doe heirby commissione and appoint the saids three persons, or any two of them, as said is, to use all dilligence and take all care to defend John Gillespie, tailieor, burges of this burgh, against any persute that may be against him upon the accompt forsaid, and lykewayes to doe all things necessary and requisite in the saids matters, or in any other affairs relateing to the good and interest of this burgh; and ordaines Robert Rodger, late thesaurer, to advance to them what money they call for to be expended in the saids affairs.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Some particulars regarding the tragic occurrences here referred to are given in "A

Collection and Abridgement of Celebrated Criminal Trials in Scotland," by Hugo Arnot

17 November 1694.

The magistrates and town councell have appointed and heirby John French, appoints John French, maltman, burges of this burgh, to be quarter master of this burgh, dureing the councells pleasure, and that in place of James Mure, formerly quarter master, and appoints the said John

(1785), pp. 163-169. From this source it appears that in December, 1694, and January, 1695, John Gillespie, merchant in Glasgow, John Anderson, of Dovehill, and Robert Stevenson, glazier in Glasgow, were tried in the high court of justiciary for the murder of Major James Menzies. The charge against the prisoners bore that they "did, on the 19th of October, proceeding, enter a garden upon the lands of Rainfield" (now Blythwood, near Renfrew), "where they understood the deceased was walking, and upon seeing him, they, or one or other of them, did discharge guns and pistols at him, and also struck him a blow on the head, . . . of one or other of which wounds he instantly expired." The defence stated for the prisoners was that, "in October last, in absence of the Colonel and Lieutenant-Colonel, Lord Lindsay's regiment, then quartered at Glasgow, was commanded by the deceased Major Menzies; that the Major summarily apprehended several inhabitants, burgeses of Glasgow, and kept them in custody of the military on pretence of their being deserters, but who really were not such; that complaint having been made to the magistrates by the persons confined, they desired the Major to bring these persons before them, that the complaint might be tried, but the Major absolutely refused to comply with their desire." After further proceedings, a conference was arranged at which "the provost, two of the bailies, and Mr. Robert Park, town-clerk, met with Major Menzies and three Captains of his regiment, in the town-clerk's chamber. The conference began with the provost's desiring of the Major that the

prisoners might be brought before them, and Mr. Park, the town-clerk, in a very civil manner, joined in the request. Upon this, an altercation between the Major and the town-clerk took place, the Major gave him bad language, and struck him with a cane, he, the town-clerk, having no weapon in his hand. On this they wrestled, and being separated by the company, and while the town-clerk was held by Captain Jarvais of Lord Lindsay's regiment, the Major drew his sword, and run the town-clerk through the body, of which he died instantly. The Major marched off, sword in hand, repaired to the guard-house, ordered his men to charge their muskets, drew them up across the street three file deep, and set them to guard passes in order to favour his escape, mounted horse and fled. Upon this, Mr. Francis Montgomery, one of the Lords of Privy Council, ordered such of the inhabitants as could be soonest got ready, to pursue and apprehend the murderer. In obedience to this order, the prisoners went in pursuit of the Major, came to a garden at Rainfield, where they were informed he skulked. On coming up to him they charged him with the murder of the town-clerk, and desired him to yield himself prisoner, but this he refused, and opposed them with a drawn sword, upon which he was killed." After a proof "the jury unanimously found the indictment not proved, found the prisoners' defence proved, and found it not proved that the Major offered to surrender himself; upon which the prisoners were dismissed from the bar."

French to have ten pounds sterling of cellary yearly, and so proportionally dureing the tyme of his service, and heirby layes asyde the said James Mure from the said office.

Counslie bog,  
dam, coall  
work.

The magistrates and town counsell being conveyened, in answer to a supplicatione given in be Walter Gibsone, merchant, craveing liberty to putt a slouce upon Counslie Bog, att Provand, for the advantage of his coall work, and to be a dam to a waterwork to that effect, and offering to pay and satisfie for all prejudice that town or tennents can sustain therby, the said magistrates and town counsell appoints the provest [and others] to commune with the tacksmen, tennents and possessors of the lands of Provand who are concerned in the bog and peice of ground afor-said, necessary for the said dam, as also with the said Walter Gibsone, petitioner, anent the premissis, and that either att this burgh or upon the ground of the saids lands as the said committie shall think fitt, and to see if they can settle the saids pairties theranent, and to report their dilligence and thoughts of the said matter to the counsell.

Warrand,  
Patrick Greg.

Ordains the late thesaurer to pay to the poor man Patrick Greg, twentie pounds Scots money, upon the accompt that his horse being ridden and bursten be ane of the souldieris of Lord Lindsayes regiment (who gott him by the magistratis order), his horse thereafter died therof.

Warrand,  
thesaurer, for  
Andrew  
Angus.

Ordain the late thesaurer to pay to Andrew Angus, litster, sex pounds Scots money, in respect that he being ane of these that persewed after Major James Meinzie, murderer of Mr. Robert Park, late town clerk, he was hurt and wounded in his returning by some of the officers of Lord Lindsayes regiment (as informed), wherby he is unable to work, and this for supplying of his present need because of his poverty.

Warrand,  
thesaurer, for  
some poor.

Ordaines the late thesaurer to pay to the persons respective after-specifeit the soumes respective aftermentioned, for the cause underwrittin, ilk ane of them for their own pairts as is afterdivyded, viz., to Margaret Fawsyde, widdow, for her present supply, the soume of sex pounds Scots money; to Alexander Thom, son to umquhill Alexander Thom, meason, the soume of eight pounds money forsaid, for supplying of his present necessity; to Peter Corbett, maltman, for the use of a bairn of John Jeffrey, ten merks money forsaid, for supplieing of the said bairns necessity; and to Mathew Forrester, merchant, four rex dollars for helping him to keep his sone att schools and to buy books for him.

18 *January* 1695.

The magistrates and town counsell ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Warrant, Hugh Blair, merchant, the towns postmaster, the soume of ten pounds <sup>Hugh Blair, postmaster.</sup> sterling money as his years sellarie frae Mertimes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie three to Mertimes last, 1694. And appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to agree with the said Hugh for his sellarie in tyme comeing.

19 *January* 1695.

The magistrates and town counsell ordains the dean of gild and his <sup>Paterson and Pollok, bur-</sup> bretheren to admitt and receive Peter Paterson, late bailie of Renfrew, <sup>gesses.</sup> and Robert Pollock, younger, of Milnburn, burgessis and gildbrether of this burgh, and hold their fynes as payed and remitt the same to them, and that upon severall considerations moving them therto.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrates and town counsell conveyed, haveing made ane <sup>Addresse to his Majestie.</sup> adresse to His Majestie King William upon the sad emergent of the death of His Royall Consort Queen Mary, our gracious Queen,<sup>2</sup> (which was subscryved the fyfth day of this instant), they thought it not convenient to insert the said adresse in their counsell book untill they knew the same might have come to his Majesties hands, therfore they now ordain the same to be insert be the clerk in the town counsell book as the act and deed of the magistrats and town counsell, off which address the tenor followes: May it please your sacred Majestie,—The sad account that wee have of the death of our gracious Queen hath filled this place with sorrow and astonishment. So great a loss to all your Majesties good and faithfull subjects, and to the whole Protestant interest, cannot butt be most afflicting to all good men, but to none more then to your faithfull subjects and servants, the inhabitants of your citie of Glasgow, whose whole concerns, both religious and civill, are intirelie bound up in your Majesties happines and prosperitie. It is indeed our only releife, under this great calamitie, that it pleaseth God to preserve your Royall person, and to Him we power out continually our most humble and fervent prayers that He may comfort and support your Majestie, and long continue yow in safetie, and heap upon your Royall person, more

<sup>1</sup> Both Paterson and Pollock were witnesses for the defence in the trial for murder referred to *antra* pp. 142-3.

<sup>2</sup> The Queen died on 28th December, 1694.

and more, all these blessings that can only in some measure compensate the griveous stroak wherewith we are att present visited. The most full and heartie offers that we can make of our services are but weak expressions of our duty yet in this exigent we cannot forbear to profess to your Majestie, and before all the world, that our lives and fortunes, and whatever else can be dear unto us as men, are and shall be constantly devoted to the defence and mantainance of your Majesties person, title and government, against all enemies whatsoever; and this our most humble and heartie adress, which we have disired secretary Johnstoun to present on our behalf, wee hope your Majestie will be pleased graciously to accept, from, may it please your Majestie, your Majesties most humble, most faithfull and most obedient subjects and servants.

Report anent  
the expensis  
of the hulk.

[The dean of guild reported that he and others had met with George Lyon and adjusted with him the account of "expenssis of building the hulk and two floats." The total cost was £2,957 14s. 11d. Scots, "out of which is to be deduced for some timber that was sold" £39 6s., leaving as net expenses £2,918 8s. 11d. The balance remaining due to Lyon was £228 4s. 4d.]

29 January 1695.

Representa-  
tion be the  
magistrats  
anent the  
stent-  
masteris.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, the magistrates represented to them that after they had gotten up from the stentmasters their last additionall cast of the fyve hundreth threttie four pound, ommitted be them out of their first stentrollis for the twa termes supply of Whitsunday and Lambes last, after reviseing and consideration of the same, they fand that their proportioning of the forsaid soume of [£534] was most unequall and unjust, and (as it seems to them) hath bein the result and effect of meer passion and humour in the said stentmasteris, in so far as that they have not proportioned the said [£534] omitted, by ane just and equall proportion upon such persons as are contained in the principall rollis (which they acknowledged wes justlie and truelie laid on according to their knowledge and oath), but where a person stands equall in the same soume with ane other in the said principall roll of [£12,466], they make the one in this last addition of [£534] to be ten pound and the other to be butt ten groatis; and so of the rest, whom it were tedious to specifie, but appeares clearly by the bookis subscribed be them.

Which representation of the magistrates abovewritten, with the stent rollis forsaide, being hard, sein and considered be the town councell, they find that the stentmasteris, by their maner of proportioning the forsaide additionall roll of [£534], had given great demonstration of their partiality, injustice and designed malice and prejudice against the government; and the councell doe now clearly see that they managed this their design in a secret subtile way, in so far as they, having been instant with the councell for granting to them ane act dated the eighteenth instant for warranding them as to that pairt of the rollis in relation to the stenting of the wryteris, as also as to the quota of the sex moneths cess, ordained by the councill to be laid on be them according to eightein hundreth pund monethlie (they pretending that it was not so much although the contrair be notourlie knowen), the saids stentmasters refused to give up their books of the stentrollis till first the said act were in their hand, which the councill did yeild to meerly for peace sake, nothing doubting but the stentmasteris had casten on the said cast additionall for the [£534] proportionable and corresponding with the former cast, and nothing suspecting that men upon oath would have bein so impartiall; and therefore (and in regard methods of this sort are of bad and dangerous preparatives, both as to the common good of this place and the government therof) the magistrates and town councill have unanimously voted and resolved, and heirby ordain and appoint that the forsaide misdemaner of the stentmasteris shall be represented to and persewed before the lords of his Majesties privie councell, and appoints and gives commission to John Corse, dean of gild [and others], to repair to Edinburgh, and there to prosecute and manage the said affair.

13 February 1695.

The magistrates and town councell conveyed, John Andersone, late <sup>Report as to</sup> provest, the dean of gild, and deacon conveyener (who be ane act dated <sup>prosecution</sup> the twentieth nynt of Januarie last were appointed to goe to Edinburgh, <sup>of stent-</sup> there to prosecute and manage ane complaint before the lords of his Majesties privie councell, att the instance of the magistrates and town councell against the stentmasters, in maner specifit in the said act), <sup>masters.</sup> reported that when they were att Edinburgh prosecuteing the forsaide

complaint, William Marshall, merchant, ane of the stentmasters, who was there for himself and in name of the rest of the stentmasters, defending against the said complaint, did importune the reporters for takeing away in a friendly way the said complaint, and Sir James Stewart, his Majesties advocat, haveing interposed himself to that effect, did delyver up to the reporters ane submission and obligation, made and subscriyved be the said William, for himself and takeing burden for the rest of the stentmasters (wherby for the satisfaction of the magistrates and counsell and for removeing of the said complaint) he, for himself and in name and behalf forsaid, did promise that he and they should appear before the magistrates and town counsell, and there to declare in their presence that they never intended any offence to the magistrates and town counsell, and that they were sorry they should have given any occasion of mistake, and for removeing therof [they] were content and should order their stent clerk to cast on the additionall stent of fyve hundreth threttie four pound according to the rule of the first stent roll, and by proportion of eleven or twelve pennies on the pound, which additionall stent roll being so cast and perfyted that they should subscrieve the same in the ordinary forme, since they doe acknowledge that they ought to serve the magistrates and town counsell as representing the burgh with all due respect and fidelity, as the said submission . . . dated the seventh day of February instant, more fullie bears. And produced the forsaid submission and obleisment, which being read in presence of the counsell and considered be them they approved and heirby approves of the saids reporters their management in the said affair. Lykeas the said William Marshall and the other stentmasters, being all warned be William Patersone, ane of the town officers (except John Napier who is sick), to have appeared this day before the town counsell, seven of the said stentmasters, viz., the said William Marshall, John Scott and Robert Kerr, merchants, James Grahame, hammerman, David Colquhoun, tailyeor, William Wilsone, maltman, and James Maxuell, cordoner, did compeir, and being inquired be the magistrates and town counsell if they were willing to comply with and give obedience to the forsaid submission and obleisment, made be the said William Marshall in their name, they answered that they were all willing; which being



considered be the saids magistrates and town councell they ordained the saids seven stentmasters, then present, to attend the councell on Saturday at ten of the cloak in the forenoon, to obtemper and fulfil the forsaid submission and obligatione; and as to the other two, viz.: Thomas Calder and Alexander Maybane, in respect the said William Patersone, officer, verified that he warned both of them personally apprehended to attend the councell, and that yet in contempt of the councell, and contrary to their duetie as burgesses, and to the great prejudice of the town, in impeding the perfyteing of the stent rolls, that they had absented themselves, therefore the magistrates and town councell appoints the provest to cause incarcerate the said Thomas Calder and Alexander Mabane, to ly in prison within the tolbooth until the councells pleasure be farther known.

16 February 1695.

The magistrates and town councell being convened, there wes ane <sup>Petition,</sup> supplicatione given in to them be John Aird, elder, late bailie of the <sup>Aird, and</sup> said burgh, craveing that they would be pleased to grant him libertie <sup>libertie</sup> granted to him to build a stable upon that waste ground where his midden lyes, att <sup>him to build</sup> the north end of his house in Bridgegait, which is called the Goosedubbs, foragaint the north gavell of his said house, and that the lenth of the said stable might be nyne elns, which is the breadth of the said gavell, eist and west, betwixt the two corners, and that the breadth of the said stable might be eight ellns, poynting north from the said gavell; as also that they would be pleased to grant ten foot of passage betwixt the said gavell and the said stable for the common syon to run in and for a passage betwixt the houssis, and remitted the fewdewtie therof to be determined by the councell; which petition being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrates and town councell, they granted and heirby grants liberty to the said John Aird to build a stable upon the waste ground called the Goosedubbs, of the length and breadth abovewrittin, and appoints the magistrates [and others] to goe to the said waste ground and there appoint and measure out the said proportion of ground of the said stable, to be builded where and upon what pairt of the said waste ground they shall think most convenient, and which being swa done the councell will therupon give and grant in favouris of the said John Aird

a fewright therof, for payment of the fewdewtie to be appoynted be them therfore.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
mournings.

The magistrates and town councell ordains the thesaurer to pay to Mathew Cuming, younger, merchant [£133 3s.], Scots money, resting be the town to him for black cloath furnished be him for mournings to the magistrates seats and to pulpits and readers seats, conforme to ane particular accompt therof revised be the dean of gild.

Warrant,  
Robert Reid,  
wounded.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Robert Reid, wright, the soume of ten rex dollars, upon the accompt that he was wounded in the hands be Major Meinzies soulderis, in maner specifeit in his petition, and expenssis of his cure and great losse of his tyme.

23 February 1695.

Liberty to  
John Aird to  
build a stable  
at Goose-  
dubbs.

The magistrates [and others] made their report, in presence of the councell, anent the most convenient place for a stable to be builded be John Aird, elder, late baillie, and therupon the saids magistrates and town council haveing considered the saids reporters report, and haveing again considered the said John Aird his petition, mentioned in the said former act, they have granted and heirby grant libertie and power to the said John Aird to build his stable upon that waste ground (where his midden presentlie lyes) att the north end of his house in Bridgegate, which is called the Goosedubbs, foragaint the north gavell of his said house, and appoints the lenth of the said stable to be nyne elns eist and west, and the breadth therof to be eight elnes, poynting north frae the said John his said gavill, and also appoints ane passage to be left betwixt the said gavill and stable for the common syon to run and for a passage betwixt the houssis which is to be of the breadth afterspecifeit, viz., betwixt the corners of the said gavill and stable westwards ten foots, and betwixt the east corners therof eight foots; and the councell obliges them to grant to the said John a fewright of the said peice of ground, when required therto, for ane yearly fewdewtie of sex shilling eight pennies Scots to be uplifted furth of the said ground.

Report  
Provost and  
others of the  
expenssis in  
the affair  
anent Major  
Meinzies.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, the provest [and others] represented that they haveing mett together for takeing up and stateing the accompt of depursements and expenssis in the

criminall proces before the lords of justiciary, persewed be the friends of Major Meinzie who murdered Mr. Robert Park, late town clerk of this burgh, that they had taken in the particular accompts of severall persons depursements in that affair, and they had formed ane abreviary of the saids accompts, which was revised be the dean of gild and which they gave in, in presence of the councell, wherof the tenor followes:—

Imprimis, expenses and charges depursed be provest Napier in that affair, and in his journey to Edinburgh attending the said proces, ...	148 : 05 : 0
Item, by James Slosse, provest Peadie, and John Spreull called Bass John, for consulting advocats when they wer first taken on about the 5th or 6th of November, ...	841 : 12 : 0
Item, for baillie Tennents expenssis and charges attending the said criminall proces at Edinburgh, ...	57 : 10 : 0
Item, James Stewart, baillie, his expenssis attending the said proces att Edinburgh, ...	13 : 03 : 6
Item, be James Hamiltoun, towns agent, to advocats, clerks of justiciary, macers and other particular depursements, from the 22 of October 1694 to the 3d of January 1695, ...	1027 : 05 : 4
Item, by John Andersone, late provest, for his personall expenssis and other small depursements, in attending the said criminall proces from the 4th of November 1694 to the 12th of January 1695, ...	248 : 00 : 0
Item, to the expenssis and charges of witnessis, being about 74 in number, horse and foot, and their attendance sextein days att Edinburgh upon the said criminall persute, ...	1066 : 16 : 0
Item, by George Robertstone, thesaurer, for the particular expenssis of John Gillespie and other depursements payed by him, ...	115 : 08 : 6
Item, for the dean of gild, John Corse, his particular accompt of depursements, ...	22 : 00 : 0

Extending in hail the saids articles of the said abbreviat accompt to the soume of [£3,540 Os. 4d.] Scots money. As also gave in the particular accompts to which the same relates; which all being considered be the saids magistrates and town councell they have approven and heirby approves therof, and ordaines the thesaurer to pay to the hail

persons abovenamed, ilk ane of them for their own pairts, as is above divyded, the forsaid particular soumes contained in the said abbreviat accompt.

Mr. James  
Baird, doctor  
of medicine.

Ordain the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt and receave Mr. James Baird, doctor of medicine, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, with all liberties and priveledges therof, and remitts his fynes, for good service done and to be done be him to this town.

2 March 1695.

Petition  
Robert  
Dinwiddie,  
Germiestoun.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, there was a supplicatione given in to them be Robert Dinwiddie, merchant in this burgh, representing that he was building a park or inclosure upon his lands of Germiestoun, and had perfyted the samine, except as to that pairt of it upon the west syde betwixt the towns lands and him, and that for perfyteing therof and for makeing the supplicants dyke of a straight lyne and upon firm ground, it would be necessary that a peice of the towns ground there fall in within his inclosure, and seing that by act of parliament, King Charles the second, parliament second, caput 17. it is statute when any person intends to inclose be dyke or ditch upon the merch betwixt his lands and the lands belonging to others contigue, that the judges ordinarie therinspecifeit are authorized, when the merches are uneven, or otherwayes incapable for ditch or dyke, to adjudge such pairts of the one or others ground as occasions the inconveniencie betwixt them from the one to the other, so as may be leist to the prejudice of aither pairtie, and the dyke or ditch to be made to be thereftir the common merch;<sup>1</sup> and that seing now the suitable tyme of building is far advanced, and that the supplicant was willing that all amicable methods be followed betwixt the town and him, therefore craveing that the town councell would appoint such of their number as they should think fitt to visit the forsaid ground, that eftir their report the counsell may be cleared in the said affair and give the petitioner such an answer as may be suteable to the forsaid act of parliament; which supplication abovewritten being read in presence of the councell they heirby appoint James Slosse, baillie [and others], to visit the forsaid ground and take

<sup>1</sup> Acts of Parliament (Record edition), 1661, c. 284, VII., p. 264.

inspection and consideratione therof and make their report to the counsell the next counsell day.

9 March 1695.

The magistrates and town counsell appoynts and ordains Francis Stevensone, wright, to goe to Portglasgow, upon Monday next in the morning, and there sclait and repaire the Customehouse and the Powder house in the towns garden there, as also to hear all differences betwixt any persons anent the measureing of the peices of ground there, fewed out be the town, and to determine therin and meith and stobb the same accordingly, and to measure out meith and stobb that peice of ground lately fewed to Robert M'Connachie; and in caise any moe persons desyre to few that he commune with them and stobb and mark out the ground, the same being alwayes done corresponding to his draft and description of Portglasgow; and appoints the said Francis to inform John Crawford, late baillie of Glasgow, now baillie of Newport-Glasgow, of the said meithing and stobbing and shew him the same, to the effect that he may advert that no person or persons shall alter or doe in the contrair therof, and see the samine observed, kepped and performed.

The magistrates and town counsell being conveyened, in the complaint raised and persewed before them att the instance of Charles Stewart, procurator fiscall, against John Reid, maltman, burges of this burgh, for his crying out in face of court, in a passionate and boasting way, against Simon Tennent, baillie, sitting in judgement, that the said John gott no justice there, and that the baillie ought not to sitt there, and wes both judge and pairtie himself, and offered to take instruments in the clerks hands against the baillie for his injustice, in maner att more length contained in the said complaint; which complaint or lybell being read in presence of the magistrates and town counsell, the said John Reid being there personally, and deneying the lybell, and the same being admitted to probatione, and diverse famous witnessis being adduced for proveing, they deponed as their depositions extant upon the said claime bears, with the which the saids magistrates and town counsell being reiply advysed they fand and heirby finds the same does sufficiently prove the poynts forsaid, and [therefore] they heirby amerciat and fyne the said John Reid, defender, in the soume of ane hundreth pounds, to be

payed to the town thesaurer, and ordaines the said John to delyver up to the provest his burges ticket, and him to ly in prison till he pay the said fyne and give up the said ticket as said is, and the said ticket being delyvered up appoints the magistrates to cause the samine to be riven and torn, with tuck of drum, upon such a day as they shall think convenient, and declares the said John and his to have no more priveledges by his said burgesship heireftir.

16 March 1695.

Act anent the  
excyse of  
brandy.

The magistrates and town councell doe heirby appoint and ordain the haille inhabitants of this burgh who vents and retails brandy or strong waters within this burgh, that in tyme comeing they give up to the magistrates of this burgh (or to any ane of them who shall be appointed be the rest for that effect) a particular accompt, monethly, of what of the saids liquors are or shall be vended and retailed be them, the moneth of March instant being the first moneth, and swa furth thereftir monethlie in tyme comeing, to the effect that the excyse therof to which the town hes right may be exacted and uplifted; and appoints the magistrates to cause make publick intimation heirof to the inhabitants, be proclamation be tuck of drum, that non pretend ignorance.

Supplication  
be the  
weavers.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, there was ane supplicatione given in to them be William Haddon, deacon of the weavers of the burgh of Glasgow, for himself and in name and behalf of the remanent members of the said incorporation, representing that the petitioner for himself and in name forsaid hes action in dependance before their baillie deput of their regality of the Gorballs against the weavers of the Gorballs, for payment of certain casualties and performance of severall articles and conditions contained in ane agreement betwixt the saids pairties, dated the tenth day of Aprile j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> fiftie seven years, ratified and cleared be the magistrates and town councell of the said burgh for the tyme, be their act dated the (*blank*) day of October j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie twa years,<sup>1</sup> eftir hearing both pairties, and that albeit the effect of the said proces and the casualties therby craved be a considerable pairt of the support of the poor of the incorporation of

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 55-60.

the weavers of Glasgow, and that for more speedy dispatch in the said action the petitioners hes procured a dispensation frae the lords of counsell and session for keeping frequent courts for that effect, and that by the forsaid act of the town counsell the then baillie deput of the said regaltie and his successors are ordered to interpose their authoritie for putting the same to summar execution, yet that nevertheless their said baillie deput does exceedingly delay the petitioners from tyme to tyme, to the great prejudice of their poor as said is, and therfore craveing that the saids magistrates and town counsell would take the premissis to their consideration and doe therin as they should think just and equitable, that the petitioners might be no longer delayed or postponed of justice, in maner att more length specifeit in the said petition; which supplication being read in presence of the saids magistrates and town counsell, they have appointed and heirby appoints that they, the saids magistrates and town counsell, shall sitt in the said court of their said regaltie of the Gorballs upon Munday next, att the ordinary tyme of court, and hear and doe justice to both parties in the said proces.

The magistrates and town counsell appoints the persons afterspecifeit <sup>Deficiencies of the twa fourteins.</sup> to uplift and gather in the twentie eight shilling, to be payed be each fencible man within this burgh for the outrick of the late levie, each of the saids persons for the quarters afterspecifeit, viz., [one person for each of the west, south and east quarters], and the master of wark for the north and midle quarters.

20 March 1695.

The magistrates and town counsell being conveyened, takeing to their <sup>Trades house, 12,000 merks, great lodging.</sup> consideration that these ruinous and burnt tenements lying contigue, att the head of the Gallowgate and Saltmercat Streets, on the south syde of the Crosse, have lyen long and ruinous, to the opprobrie of this town, and that now they being valued and apprised, conforme to the late act of parliament, and that the deacon conveyener and trades rank are att last content to build the samine for the use of their poor, and that in sufficient stonework, to the decorement of the town; as also takeing to their consideration that, upon the lyke occasion, the magistrates and town counsell of this burgh for the tyme, be their act dated the threttie day

of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> eightie twa years<sup>1</sup> (for the dean of gild and merchant rank their encouragement to build their great lodgeing or building upon the corner of the streets of Trongate and Saltmercat), did agree and conclude to give to the said merchant rank for that effect, out of the money belonging to this town, the haill pryce that the stonework therof should amount to, and that by the said act it is enacted that in caise the members of the crafts hospitall should build the saids ruinous-tennements that the magistrates and town counceill should pay the equivalent soume to them, and if the stonework therof should stand more then the Merchants House forsaid that they should lykewayes pay the samine, with two thousand merks farder for the caussis specifeit in the said former act; and seing the said building designed be the trades as said is will be far greater than that of the merchants, and that the magistrates and town counceill, after consideration taken what may be neidful for compleiting of the said stonework and haveing agreed with the deacon conveener and trades rank for ten thousand merks to be payed to them, in satisfaction of all they can crave be vertew of the said act for building the stonework forsaid, they therefore doe heirby conclude and enact themselves and their successors in office to make payment to the said deacon conveener, or to their collector of the trades house, or to their successors in office, of the soume of ten thousand merks for building of the said stonework, and of the said soume of two thousand merks farder promitted to them be the forsaid former act, and that in full satisfaction to them of all that the crafts house and rank can ask or crave be vertew of the forsaid act of counsell of the date forsaid, they alwayes building the said house from the gavell of Robert Crosses house, near the head of the Saltmercat, to provest William Napiers gavell, near the head of the Gallowgate, in sufficient stonework, with peaches, in a decent maner suteable, and conform to the merchants house forsaid, and as high as the merchants or the said Robert Corse their houssis forsaids; and ordaines the thesaurer to make payment to the deacon conveener and remanent members of the trades house and their collector of the forsaids soumes, extending in the haill to twelve thousand merks upon their

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Records, III., p. 321.



receipt therof containing ane discharge of the forsaid former act of councill.<sup>1</sup>

6 April 1695.

The provest, baillies and town councill being conveyened, the provest <sup>Dean of gild and deacon-conveener to Newport-Glasgow.</sup> represented in their presence that he had received a letter frae John Crawford, baillie of Portglasgow, demitting his office of baillie there, as also the provest was informed that some of the towns fewers there were building their houssis irregular, and others were building them insufficient, so that affairs were there in some disorder; which being taken to consideration be the magistrates and town councill they appointed and heirby appoint John Corse, dean of gild, and George Nisbitt, deacon conveyener, to repair to Newport-Glasgow and take nottice and give orders the saids buildings be regular and sufficient, as also to see if they can prevail with the said John Crawford to continue in his said office there, and sicklyke to call for the keys of such of the towns cellars there as are not sett and delyver them to the thesaurer, and to make their report of their dilligence in the saids matters.

The magistrates and town councill conveyened, upon supplication <sup>Supplications given in to them be Robert Dickie, wright, burges of the said burgh, Robert Dickie anent ground att Goosedubs.</sup> given in to them be Robert Dickie, wright, burges of the said burgh, craveing a right to a peice of waste ground in that pairt called the Goosedubs, att the eist end of baillie Airds house there, consisting of fourtie foot of front and fourscore foot back, or less or more, as the councill should think fitt, and that for building ane sufficient house of stonework, with a sclait ruife, upon the said front, and office houssis suteable therto, the saids magistrates and town councill appoints the dean of gild and his brethern of councill, or any else of the members of the town councill that they shall think fitt to call to their assistance, to visit the forsaid waste ground and commun with the said Robert Dickie, petitioner, theranent, or with any other that pretends any right to the said ground to which the petitioner craves right as said is, and to make their report in the said matter to the councill.

<sup>1</sup> The building known as "Tradesland," of London Street about the year 1824. (See erected in terms of the above arrangement, Glasgow Memorials, pp. 40, 41.) was removed in connection with the formation

A committie  
to consider  
anent the  
building of  
ane weigh  
house.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, takeing to their consideration that they wanted ane weigh house in this burgh and the great prejudice the town sustains therby, and the advantage that might redound to the common good of the town by haveing a weigh house therin, therefore they have appointed and heirby appoints James Peadie and John Andersone, late provests [and others], to take the said matter to their consideration and to discourse with Robert Corse, late baillie, theranent, and to consider upon a fitt place for building therof and upon expedient overtures anent the samine and to report.

13 April 1695.

Miller, burges  
and gild-  
brother.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration how usefull John Miller, sone to umquhill Thomas Miller, wright, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, hes bein to the place in tyme of accidentall fire in this town, and his great forwardness to stop the samine, well knowen to the councell, they doe therefore appoint the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt the said John Miller burges and gildbrother of this burgh, as sone to his said father, and remitt his fynes for the caussis forsaid.

Act in  
favouris of  
Mungo Coch-  
rane of a  
peice voyd  
ground,  
bowling-  
green.

The magistrates and town councell conveyened, takeing to their consideration that that void ground within this burgh, upon the eist syde of the Candlerig Street and betwixt the south end of the soaperie dyke and Bellsweynd Street, bounded betwixt Bellsweynd Street on the south, the Candlerig Street on the west, the soaperie yaird on the north, and the yairds of Robert Stevensone, umquhill John Gray, shoemaker, John Michell, maltman, formerly of Robert Gray, the yaird of Robert Houstoun, and the mutton mercat on the eist pairts, hes lyen long waste and useles, and that as this city wants a bowling-green which were necessary for the ornament of the town and good and conveniencie of the inhabitants therof, and of strangers that resort therto, so they judge the said void ground to be a fitt and convenient place for that effect, and being therefore resolved to dispose therof for that purpose, but so that the same might not hinder the building of houses therupon towards the streets of Candlerig and Bellsweynd, therefore (and in regaird of offers and proposealls given in be Mungo Cochran, merchant, to and considered be

them in counsell in relation to the premissis) the saids magistrates and town counsell are resolved to grant ane fewright of the said voyd or waste ground, with the old house upon the eist syde therof standing therupon, to the said Mungo Cochrane, for the yearly payment of twentie four pounds Scots of fewdewtie, att two termes in the year, Whitsunday and Mertimes, be equal portions, beginning the first termes payment therof att Mertimes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie eight, for the half year preceeding; the said right being alwayes burdened with the conditions, provisions and reservations underwritin, to be contained in the said fewright, viz., That the said Mungo shall be oblidged to make a sufficient Bowling-green in a decent and sufficient maner upon the eist syde of the said ground and merching with the south syde of the soaperie yaird dyke, consisting in breadth and length of ane hundreth and fiftie foot square, and to build a sufficient stone dyke about the said green, two ells and a half high att leist, betwixt and Mertimes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie eight; as also that he and his shall maintain and keep the said bowling green and dyke about the saminè of the sufficiencie, decencie and measure for-said, in all tyme comeing, and apply the same to no other use, wherin if they failyie the said right is to be extinct and null; and as to the remainder of the said void ground, attour the said bowling green upon the north syde of Bellsweynd Street and the eist syde of the Candlerig Street, in caise that within the space of fyve years next after the date heiroyf the said Mungo and his forsaid shall happen not to build or cause build decent houssis therupon, with sclait ruifes, that then and in that caise it shall be leisum and lawfull to the town of Glasgow to few to any person or persons they please any pairt or portion therof that shall not be builded upon as said is, to the effect the same may be builded, and that notwithstanding of the said Mungo his right forsaid; with this condition that what fewrights the town shall grant, in the caise forsaid, shall be burdened with the payment to the said Mungo and his of the double of the fewdewtie for every foot of the said ground, effeiring and proportionable to the whole ground forsaid, presently fewed to the said Mungo, that is to say shall pay als much for ane foot as the said Mungo pays be his right forsaid for two foot of the said remainder designed for the bowling green as said is, or else that the town shall

allow and defaultat the same to him, off the first end of the said twentie four pound of yearly fewdewtie.

19 *April* 1695.

Offer be  
Robert  
Teesdail,  
Spanish salt.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, Mr. Robert Teesdail, commander of the good ship called the Robert Bonadventure of London, gave in a wryte under his hand, wherby he makes ane offer to the saids magistrates and councell of the hail Spanish salt imported be him within the said ship, now in the river of Clyd, to be delyvered to them or order at Portglasgow, att the pryce of sextein pounds Scots, ready money, for ilk water boll, being the water boll of the place, the said Mr. Robert being alwayes free of all custome and excyse, port charges or others whatsoever, except petty pilotage; which being considered be the magistrates and councell they remitt to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to conveyen their respective houssis and to take the advyse of their respective houssis if they will accept therof, and report the results of their meittings to the councell tomorrow, at three of the cloak in the afternoon, at which tyme the councell is to meet.

20 *April* 1695.

Report anent  
Captain  
Teesdails  
offer.

[The dean of guild and deacon conveyener reported "that each of them had conveyened their respective houssis," in terms of the remit of the previous day], and that both the saids houssis had rejected the said offer, they conceaving the pryce to be too dear; which reports being considered be the saids magistrates and town councell they allowed and heirby allow the said Captain Robert Teesdail to sell the said salt to any free-man, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, but not att a pryce below the forsaid pryce contained in the offer, with certification if he sell the samine att a pryce below the forsaid pryce the salt shall be confiscat, and recomends the poor of the two houssis to the said captain his charity.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
gift of wine.

The magistrates and town councell appoints the thesaurer to have allowance in his own hands of two hundreth merks, payed out be him as the pryce of ane hogshead of wine, given to a friend of this town whom it is not fitt to name.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to the master of wark the soume of Warrant for  
[£241 8s. 8d.] depursed be him of incident charges in the persewing of master of  
the deceist clerk his murderers, as per particular accompt revised be wark.  
the dean of gild.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Robert Rodger, late thesaurer, Warrant for  
[£159 12s.] depursed be him in the defence of the proces at the instance Robert  
of the friends of Major Meinzie (who murdered the late town clerk) Rodger.  
before the criminal court, conforme to ane particular accompt revised  
be the dean of gild.

John Aird, elder, late baillie, represented in counsell that Thomas Anent the  
Broun (*blank*) offers to take a tack of the touns walk miln att Partick, walk miln at  
att the rate that the present tennent possesses the samine, which being Partick.  
considered be the counsell, and that the present tennent his tack is  
expired and he is become insufficient and suffers the miln to become  
ruinous, therefore they remitt to the dean of gild, deacon conveener and  
the said baillie Aird to commune with the said Thomas and to report.

The magistrates and town counsell, taking to their consideration Clerk to draw  
that their is information given against diverse merchandis of this burgh lybell against  
that, contrair to their burges oath and bound dewtie, they encourage severall mer-  
chants.  
unfreemen and strangers to import goods by buying the same from them,  
or selling therof for their behoove, and disposing therof without any  
towns offer therof made, and that the persons following are judged to be  
giltie therof, viz., George Lockhart, William Corse, James Montgomerie,  
elder, James Montgomerie, younger, John Spreull — Bass John, John  
Govan of Hoginfield, James Bogle, William Marshall and John Cuming,  
merchants in this burgh; therefore the magistrates and town counsell  
appoints the dean of gild to get clear informatione of what is to be  
laid to the charge of each of the forenamed persons, that the clerk  
may draw a lybell therupon, that the forenamed persons may be cited  
to appear before them the next counsell day.

The magistrates and town counsell conveened, takeing to their con- Burgeses not  
sideration that severall merchants who are burgeses and gildbreither inhabitants  
of this burgh, and yet not residents within the same, and who bear no and not  
burden in scatt nor lot therwith, doe notwithstanding (contrair to law bearing bur-  
den.  
and justice) bring or send their merchandise and goods to this burgh,

and be themselves or others in their name sell the samine within this burgh and priveledges therof, to the prejudice and discouragement of the burgesses, inhabitants, who bear burden as said is, theirfore the magistrates and councell statutes, enacts and ordaines that, in all tyme comeing, all such burgesses not inhabiting this burgh, and not bearing burden, scatt and lott as said is, shall have no priveledge nor libertie of trade as burgesses and gildbreither of this burgh, and shall be holden, repute and treated as unfree traders, untill' such tyme as they shall make their residence and dwelling and bear burden, scatt and lott, with this burgh, and heirby inhibits and discharges all burgesses, gildbreither and freemen of this burgh, to collor any such goods under the collor of their own, certifieing all such that they shall be proceeded against as persons who [have] broken their burges oath and be fyned and punished accordingly.

Warrant for  
Francis  
Stevensone.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Francis Stevensone, wright, [£521 1s. 8d.], Scots, depursed be him for the town to workmen, and in materialls and other wayes, for repairing of the custome house and powder house att Portglasgow, as also for makeing and carrying down there of a pulpit, conforme to ane particular accompt revised be the dean of gild; as also to pay to the said Francis fourtie pounds for his own pains and expenses in attending the work, extending in all to [£561 1s. 8d.] Scots money.

Meeting of  
royall  
burrowes,  
money.

The provest produced a letter which he had receaved from the provest of Edinburgh, shewing that his Majesties privie councell, being informed that the fynest and weightiest money was exported and light clipped English money imported, that they were takeing the samine to their consideration and thought it was necessary to putt a stop to so great ane evill, but, the said matter being of so great concern to the royall burrowes, the provest of Edinburgh, upon application to the councell, had obtained a stop untill the estate of the burrowes were heard, and theirfore desyred that Glasgou might send their commissioner to meit, day and place afterspecifeit. Which letter being considered be the magistrates and town councell, they have appointed and heirby appoints John Andersone of Dowhill, late provest, to repair to Edinburgh with all diligence and attend the said meiting of the royall burrowes, to begin

att Edinburgh, upon Tuesday next, being the twentie third instant, at ten of the cloak in the forenoon, and there to vote and doe in the said affair, or any other affair that shall come in before them, as he shall think right.

4 May 1695.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Robert Gibsone, merchant [£4 1s.] <sup>Warrant,</sup> depursed be him in attending and spending upon witnessis who were <sup>thesaurer.</sup> summond in the exculpation against the criminall proces persewed be umquhill Major Meinzie his friends, specifeit in severall former acts. Item, [£42 8s.], spent be the magistrates in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> eightie nyne, for meat and drink in Margaret Kinneir, relict of umquhill James Cuming her house, and which the said Robert hes payed to her.

James Hamiltoun, wryter, the towns agent, reported that he had <sup>Report,</sup> receaved payment, be precept of the lords of the thesaurie upon <sup>James</sup> (blank) <sup>Hamiltoun.</sup> Baillie of Jerriswood, out of the pole money, appointed be the act of parliament for payment of the arriers of the army, the principall soumes of money following, dew be the army to this town be bands wherof no annualrents was ordered to be payed, viz., frae the officeris of the earle of Argyles regiment, dew be band to the town, [£1434]; as also be John M'Kay, in the earle of Glencairnis regiment, [£60]; item, be the officeris of the sometime viscount of Kenmuir's regiment, [£924]; item, be (blank) Duff, lievetennent in the laird of Grantis regiment, [£150]. As also he had receaved sixtie four pounds for eight bollis of meill furnished to the governour off Drumiekill be the town. All which amounts to [£2632]. As also that he had receaved [£1352 16s.] which was indew to the inhabitants of this town for meit and drink and other furnishing, conforme to ane particular accompt. Both which soumes extends to [£3984 16s.], out of which ther is allowed to the said James [£231], as the proportionall pairt of the charges depursed be him to severall persons, clerks and others, for the more easie obtaining payment.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration <sup>Bishop Rosse</sup> that John Andersone, late provest, is to goe to Edinburgh to attend the <sup>to be per-</sup> session of parliament, to be begun the nynth instant, and that the town <sup>sewed before</sup> hes severall soumes and things to lay to the charge of Mr. Arthur Rosse, <sup>the parlia-</sup> ment.

late bishop of Glasgow, and that their may be other things neidfull to the town to be represented to and done in their behalf before the parliament, therefore they appoint and commissionat the said John Andersone to persew the said Mr. Arthur before the parliament, and to make any other addresse to the parliament in behalf and for the good of the town as he shall judge neidfull and expedient.

11 May 1695.

Anent the  
Dowcat  
Green.

Their wes a petition given in be John Wilsoune and diverse others tennents and occupyers of these lands att the Broomielaw, representing that persons who can pretend no interest to the priveledge of this burgh pastures horses and kine upon the Dowcat Grein and water syde, especially upon the Sabath day, and that the saids bestiall not being keeped eats and destroyes the petitioners corns, and therfore craveing that to prevent the petitioners losse and any such abuse they might have a tack of the said Dowcat Grein for twentie pounds Scots, yearly, for such space as the counsell pleased; which petition being considered be the magistrates and town counsell, they declared they will sett the grasse of the Dowcat Green and water syde for this cropt, and therfore recomends to the deacon conveener and baillie Aird, elder, to agree with the said John Wilson, or others of the tennents of the lands forsaid theraent, and to report.

Report anent  
some persons  
building in  
Goosedubbs.

The dean of gild and his brethern reported that, att the desyre of the town counsell and of Malcome Bowie, merchant, James Herbertsone, wright, Hendrie Baird, merchant, and John M'Lauchlane, merchant, they had visited the towns waste ground att the Bridegait called the Goosedubbs, and that the saids Malcome Bowie and James Herbertsone are content to build therupon, in sufficient housses, fiftie foot of front fronting towards the street of the Bridgegait, upon that pairt therof next to John Airds building, the counsell granting to them equally betwixt them a fewright therof and of eighty foot back, and each are content to pay twentie shilling of fewdewtie; as also that Hendry Baird and John M'Lauchlane were content to build there twentie fyve foot of front next to the crosse house, upon the west syde therof, they getting also a few-



right therto and to fourtie foot back equally betwixt them for the yearly fewdewtie of thretein shilling four pennies, payable be each of them; and all of them are content to build the saids front in sufficient houses of stonework, sclaited, and two storie high. Which report being considered be the saids magistrates and counsell, they declared that they would grant to the forenamed persons the respective fewrights above-writtin, for the yearly fewdewtie abovementioned, and recomended to the dean of gild to mark and stobb the respective peices of ground forsaid and give in to the clerk the exact bounding therof.

The magistrates and town counsell conveened, the dean of gild, Pryces of the deacon conveener, and other members of the comittie appointed for the <sup>seats in the respective kirks regulated.</sup> affairs of this burgh, reported that because of the great and many burdens that lyes upon this burgh it is their opinion that it is neidfull and expedient that the pryces of the seats in the respective kirks within this burgh, and in the meeting house of the Weynd, be diminished and regulat as followes, viz.: that the dearest of the seats of the Laigh Kirk be twelve pound, the dearest of the seats of the Inner and Outer Kirks be eight pound, and the dearest of the seats in the said meeting house be seven pound, and so proportionably from the saids greatest rents to the smallest rents of the samine. As also in respect that in tyme bygain the town hes gotten ill payment of the seat rents, therfore and to make the seat money more effectuall, it is their opinion that persons be appointed for every church, to call before them the possessors of the seats therin and take under their hand a wryte bearing the rent of each of their particular seats and ane obleisment to pay the samine att two termes in the year, dureing their possession; as also bearing their consent, in caise of faillyie, to be lyable to summar justice and imprissonment for the saids seat maills, as is ordinary for the rest of the towns common good. Which report abovewrittin being considered be the saids magistrates and town counsell, they approved and heirby approves therof, and commisisonats and appoints [two persons for each of the kirks and meeting house to carry the resolution into effect]; and heirby declares that this present diminution and ease of the seat rents shall commence backward for the space of three years preceeding the first day of September next and shall be the rates in tyme comeing during the councells pleasure.

Tack of the  
Town Miln.

The magistrates and town councell have subscriyved a tack to John Scott of the milnership of the Town Miln, for nyntein years after Whitsunday next, wherby he acknowledges he receaved the miln, axiltree, trowes, milnstones, milndam and laid in a good caise, and is to mantain and leave the samine so, and to serve with men and horse as becomes a faithfull and dilligent miller, and if he failyie in any of these he is to be lyable in a penalty and the tack to be null and he dispossesst, as is particularly exprest in the tack.<sup>1</sup>

Warrant for  
John Scott.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Scott, milner att the Town Miln, three score pounds Scots for stones furnished and led and to be furnished and led be him for laying a calsey from the said miln towards the town.

The clerk to  
inventar the  
towns papers.

The magistrates and town councell appoint the clerk, as soon as possible, to fall about the inventaring of the towns papers and doe the samine in the councell house, and the councell to sitt in the clerks chamber in the mean tyme, and the clerk to take such a person to his assistance as he thinks fitt to choise, who shall be satisfied be the town for his pains.

18 May 1695.

John Aird,  
piece of  
ground in  
Goosedubbs.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, John Aird, younger, late baillie, gave in a suplication to them, representing that their wes a peice of waste ground belonging to the town, lying within the said burgh, on the north syde of the Bridgegait, in that pairt called the Goosedubbs, bounded betwixt the eist gavell of John Aird, elder, his stable there on the west, the weynd that goes from the forefront to umquhill John Miller, late baillie, his land on the eist, and the tenement of land pertaining to the said John Aird, elder, on the south, and the waste ground belonging to the town on the north pairts; and which peice of waste ground, bounded in maner forsaid, is in length fourtein elns eist from the gavell of the said stable to the forsaid weynd, and fyftein elns square from the north corner of the said waste ground to the northeist corner of the said John Aird, elder, his tenement of land

<sup>1</sup> See Glasgow Charters, II., p. 414, No. 965.

there on the south; as also representing that the petitioner (if he had a right to the said peice of waste ground above bounded) he intends to build ane house on the eist pairt therof, fronting to the said weynd, in a decent maner, and to putt ane sclait ruife theron, for decoreing of the place, and for the back pairt therof he intends to keep the same for a closse, office houses and others, as also that he intended to build ane gait or yeatt for secureing of his closse upon these ten foots of ground betwixt the northwest corner of the said John Aird, elder, his land on the south, and the southwest corner of the forsaid stable; therefore craved that the magistrats and town councell might grant the petitioner a right to the forsaid ground for the uses forsaid, for payment of such yearly fewdewtie as they thought fitt. Which supplication being read in presence of the saids magistrates and town councell and considered be them, as also they haveing considered the report and opinion of the dean of gild and his brethern who visited the ground, they grant libertie to the said John Aird, younger, to build in maner abovementioned upon the ground forsaid, and enacts themselves to grant to him and his ane few-right of the said ground, for the yearly fewdewtie of sex shilling eight pounds Scots payable to the town furth therof.

20 May 1695.

The magistrates and town councell, taking to their consideration that, notwithstanding be a former act, dated the twentie fourth of September last, Mr. Thomas Findley was appointed third doctor of the Grammer Schooll, yet he was never entered therto nor was installed therein; and seing that the magistrates and town councell are informed and have testificat fra severall of the ministeris of the fittedness of Mr. John Walker, late schoolmaster off Dumbartane, for the said office, therefore they rescind the said former act and heirby admitt the said Mr. John third doctor forsaid, who shall have ane hundreth pounds, yearlie, of sellarie, commenceing frae Whitsunday last; and thir presents to continue only dureing the councells pleasour; and appoints ane of the magistrats to install him therein.

Mr. John Walker, third doctor of Grammer Schooll.

27 May 1695.

Ground at the  
north end of  
the bridge.

The magistrates and town councell, in answer to ane petition given in be George Nisbitt, deacon conveyener, craveing ane appointment to such persons as the councell thought fitt to visit a peice of waste ground upon the eist syde of the north end of the towns great bridge, to the effect that if the councell think it fitt he might get a fewright therto for building of a house therin, appoints James Slosse, present baillie [and six others], all of their own number, to visit the said ground and to make their report to the councell.

4 June 1695.

Roup of the  
towns  
common-  
good.

[Mills, 7,950 merks; ladles, 5,000 merks; meal market and pecks, 1,000 merks; tron, 970 merks; bridge, 2,300 merks, all Scots money.]

1 August 1695.

Warrant,  
plea against  
a quaker.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to George Muirhead, present baillie of the Gorballis [£44 12s.], Scots, as expenssis depursed be him in defending a plea against Alexander Seatoun, quaker.

Representa-  
tion anent the  
land building  
be the Trades.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, the magistrates represented to them that, notwithstanding the waste burnt lands on the south syde of the Crosse (which the Trades of this burgh are now rebuilding) were caused to be duly apprysed be the saids magistrates, conforme to the act of parliament, yet, notwithstanding therof, John Spreull, merchant, pretended heretofore of three high chops therof (upon which he was suffered be the magistrates for the tyme to putt on some cover for the present use eftir the fyre) refused to take down any timber or thack thereon, which was to be applyed to his own use, wherthrough the magistrates were oblidged to cause doe the samine for clearing therof to the builders, and that John Spreull had taken instruments against the magistrates upon that accompt and threatned to persew them therefore; which representation being considered be the saids magistrates and town councell, they approved and heirby approves of the saids magistrates taking down of the saids high chops and find that the samine was done justlie and necessarily and to the public good of the place, and therefore heirby enacts themselves and their successors in office to warrant and

skaithless keep the saids magistrates of all coast, skaith, damage and expenssis they shall happen to sustain or be exposed to theirby any maner of way in tyme comeing.

The magistrates and town councell have subscribed a fewright and dispositione to John Aird, younger, of ane peice of ground of the length to John Aird, nyne elns eist and west and eight ellns of breadth, poynting north frae younger. John Aird, elder, his gavell, wherupon the said John Aird, elder, hath latelie built a stable, reserveing to John Aird, elder, his liferent right therof; as also of a peice of waste ground fourtein ellns eist from the gavell of the said stable to the weynd that goes from the forefront of umquhill John Miller his land on the eist, and fyftein elns square from the north corner of the said waste ground to the northeist corner of the said John Aird, elder, his tenement on the south, all lyand on the north syde of the Bridegate, in that pairt called the Goosedubbs, with libertie to the said John Aird, younger, to build a yeatt for secureing of his closse betwixt the said stable and peice of waste ground and the said John Aird, elder, his land on the south, for the yearly payment of threttein shilling four pennies Scots of fewdewtie.

3 August 1695.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, their was a Petition petition given in to them be William Carmichaell, keeper of the tolbooth, anent the windows of the tolbooth. craveing the makeing of double stenchers to the prisson windows in the tolbooth, and that the stairhead in the narrow turnpyck be secured; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrates and town councell they recomend the consideration of the samine to the dean of gild and master of wark that they doe therin as they find cause.

2 September 1695.

[Robert Rodger, late treasurer, gave in his account of "the particular soumes Fencible men receaved be him frae these persons appointed to uplift twentie eight shilling late levie. frae each fencible man in this town, for defraying the expenssis of the fourtie thrie men furnished be the town in the late levie, which accompt extends to" £2,519 9s. 2d.; and William Barclay, master of work, gave in an account of the sums paid by him to the forty-three men "and otherwayes laid out be him in relation to that affair," extending in whole to £3,012 7s. 4d.; which sum Robert Rodger was ordained to pay to him.]

George  
Lyone. bailie  
of Port-  
Glasgow.

[John Crawford, bailie at Port-Glasgow, having shown his "unwillingness to continue any longer in that office," the magistrates and council appointed "George Lyon, merchant in this burgh, now resideing att Port-Glasgow . . . to be their baillie at the said port" during their pleasure.]

3 September 1695.

Repairing the  
milne of  
Partick.

The magistrates and town councell ordaines Robert Rodger, late thesaurer, to pay to the master of wark the soume of sex hundreth twentie two pound fyftein shilling expended be him in reparatione of the old milne of Partick, the same being fallen down and become ruinous, conforme to two severall accompts revised be the dean of gild. And recomends to the magistrates to make their applicatione to the lords of thesaurie for reinbursement of the said soume, in respect their are fiftie bolls of victuall payable be the town, yearly, out of the said milne to the exchequer or their tacksman of the rents of the bischoprick of Glasgow.

Warrant,  
expensis of  
the crane.

Ordains Robert Rodger, late thesaurer, to pay to the master of wark [£778 12 s. 6 d.], depursed be him in building of a cran at the harbour of Broomielaw, conforme to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

Kings  
excyse ;  
impost on ale  
and beir.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that their tack of the Kings excyse is now rescinded be the late act of parliament, and notwithstanding that they had bein using endeavours to obtain a new tack of the excyse, mentioned in the said late act of parliament, in swa far as concerned this town, yet they could not obtain the samine (the roup being driven so high), as also takeing to consideration that it would be great expensis to this town to manage the gathering in of the imposition granted to them be the act of parliament, dated the fyftein of June j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie three, of twa pennies on ilk pynt of ale and beir, brewen or inbrought, vended and sold within this burgh and liberties therof, by itself, therefore the saids magistrates and town councell doe heirby conclude and appoint that the said imposition be publickly roupd within the tolbooth of this burgh on Monday next, being the nynth day of this instant, betwixt ten and twelve of the clock in the forenoon (the space and time that the said roup shall commence), being frae the first

of September instant and to continue to the first of November j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie sex, and for that effect appoints the magistrates to make publicatione of the said roup through this burgh be tuck of drum, as use is, and that upon the morrow in the forenoon.

Appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener to visite the seats of the High Kirk, and to order the placing of the seats there lately taken out att the communion, and to order putting up about the walls of the said kirk such furmes as they think expedient. Seats in the Heigh Kirk.

12 September 1695.

The magistrates and toun councell, takeing to their consideration that the towns imposition granted to them upon twa pennies of the pynt was (eftir due advertisement be tuck of drum as use is) roupd upon the nynth day of this instant, betwixt ten and twelve of the clock in the forenoon, within the tolbooth of this burgh, for the space and in maner specified in their former act, dated the third of September instant, and that yet nevertheless their was not such a tack dewtie offered therfore as wes suiteable or could be acceptable, so that the said imposition yet remaining in their own hands they most fall about the best methods they can for ingathering therof, therfore they heirby appoint and gives full power and commission to George Hutchesone and John Pollock, both merchants, burgesses of this burgh, to uplift, receave and gather in the said imposition, according to the rules to be prescryved to them be the magistrates, dean of gild and deacon conveener of this burgh, present or for the tyme, being ilk ane of the saids two persons for the respective bounds and divisions efterspecifeit, the said George Hutchesone for the west and northwest quarters of this burgh and the said John Pollock for the eist and south quarters therof, and this commission to continue duren the councells pleasure allenarly. Tounes 2d. to be collected.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that the publick work of this burgh hes bein in tyme bygain very expensive, and that the towns circumstances are now low, therfore ordains that in all tyme comeing the dean of gild and master of wark of this burgh, present and for the tyme being, undertake no publick work the expenssis wherof exceeds the soumes respective eftir specifeit, viz., the Act regulat-  
ing dean of  
gild and  
master of  
wark.

dean of guild not above fourtie pounds, and the master of wark not above ten pounds, and that without ane act of the town councell warranding them to that effect, with certification to them that doe in the contrair they shall obtain no payment nor allowance therof from the councell.

21 September 1695.

Act against  
unfree  
traders.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that their are many complaints made be the freemen and burgesses of this burgh, that a great manie men and woemen inhabitants thereof, who are not burgesses, doe use freemens trade, to the discouragement of these who are burgesses and freemen, doe therefore ordain the dean of gild and his successors to call and conveen before him the saids haill unfreemen and woemen that use trade as said is, and putt them in prisson till they pay ane hundreth pounds of fyne and find caution not to use any freemens trade within this burgh in tyme comeing, under the pain of ane hundreth pounds, *toties quoties*, unless they first enter themselves burgesses therof.

John Spreull,  
burges and  
gildbrother.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that umquhill Andrew Spreull, merchant in this burgh, had a considerable trade therin, and that to the best of their knowledge he was burges and gildbrother therof, and that John Spreull, wryter in Edinburgh, represents that his fathers burges tickett is lost and cannot be gotten, therefore the saids magistrates and town counsell ordains the dean of gild and his berthern to enter and admitt the said John Spreull burges and gildbrother of this burgh, in the same maner as if he had his said umquhill fathers burges and gildbrother ticket to produce before them.

Wilsone,  
burges.

Ordains the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt Mathew Wilsone, meillman, burges of this burgh, and grant him the haill privileges of a burges dureing his lifetime allenarly, and no way to descend to his posteritie eftir his deceis, and remitt his fynes in respect of good service performed be him for this burgh the tyme of the late happy Revolution, well known to the councell.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordains the thesaurer to have allowance in his own hands of nyntein pounds eleven shilling Scots, depursed be him as the expenssis of the magistrates and many of their attendants att the laird of Laws buriall.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Perhaps William Stirling of Law in Old Kilpatrick parish.



Ordains the thesaurer to pay to John Gibsone, late baillie of this burgh, [£82 14s. 6d.] Scots, as his expenssis att Edinburgh att three severall tymes about the affair of defending John Gillespie and others, in the persute before the lords of justiciary, att Edinburgh, persewed be umquhill Major Meinzie his friends; item, [£26 19s. 6d.], as the pryce of some armes furnished be the said John to some of the souldiers of the town of Glasgow their designed regiment, and as his expenssis when att Greinock, upon the magistrates desyre, conforme to twa severall accompts revised be the dean of gild. <sup>Warrant, thesaurer.</sup>

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to George Nisbitt, deacon conveener, [£157 16s. 6d.], Scots money, resting be the town to him for glasse and glasse work, furnished and wrought be him to the windows of the Laigh Kirk, meeting house, tolbooth, and att Portglasgow. <sup>Warrant, thesaurer.</sup>

Ordains the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt John Arbuckle, litster, burges of this burgh, and grant to him the hail liberties of a burges. <sup>Arbuckle, burges.</sup> and no wayes to descend to his posterity; and remitts his fynes to him in respect he hes bein very serviceable to this burgh att and since the late happy Revolution; as also hes bein recommended to the councell be William Arbuckle, merchant, to whom the town is oblidged.

Ordains the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt and receave Captain Nathaniell Davies, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, and remitts his fynes to him, in respect he is a person qualified to be usefull to this burgh in voyages to Affrica and America, with this burden and provision alwayes that he shall have his residence with his familie in this burgh, or otherwayes he shall have no priveledge of a burges and gildbrother therof. <sup>Davies, burges and gildbrother.</sup>

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to John French, quartermaster, the soume of twelve pounds Scots, for his going throw the families of this town in order to quartering, and for his extraordinary pains of giving bilgets for the localities. <sup>Warrant, thesaurer.</sup>

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to William Hutchesone, gardner, twelve pounds Scots, for furnishing flowers and strawing to the councell house and the councell seats in the churches, this year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie fyve. <sup>Warrant, thesaurer.</sup>

30 September 1695.

Act in  
favouris of  
Mungo  
Cochrane,  
bowling  
green.

The magistrates and town counsell convened, ther wes ane supplication given in to them be Mungo Cochrane, merchant, relative to the counsellis former act dated the threttein day of Aprile last [here the act printed *antea*, pp. 158-60, is narrated], in maner contained in the said act, and shewing that the petitioner intended further to lay out himself, for beautifeing and decoreing of that place, by building the whole front upon Bells Weynd, from the gavell of the Mutton mercat to the angle overagaint the corner of the Suggarie, with regular stone houssis and sclait ruifes, all uniforme, and therfore craveing that the magistrates and counsell would grant him encouragement to that effect, in maner specifeit in the said supplicatione; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrates and town counsell, and the same with their said former act being taken to their said consideration, they (for the said Mungo his encouragement) doe heirby condescend to restrict and heirby restricts the forsaid yearly fewdewtie to four pounds Scots, beginning the first termes payment therof at the term of Mertimes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie eight years, for the half year preceeding, with this provision alwayes that if the said Mungo shall not perfyte the said haill building upon the front of Bells Weynd, as said is, of sufficient houssis of stone work, two storie high att leist, and a garrett above that, then and in that caise this restriction is to be null, and the said Mungo lyable for the haill fewdewtie, and the town themselves to have power to few the said front for building conforme to the former act, and the saids magistrates and counsell do heirby dispense with the not building of houssis upon that pairt of the ground fronting towards the Candlerig and declares that their are no houssis to be builded theron, but that the Bowling green is to begin and run square in a line with the west syde of the soaperie dyk, and is to be of ane hundreth and fiftie fouts or therby square, as the same is now meithed and marked out, and that the forsaid former act stands in force except in so far as the same is heirby innovated, and appoints the clerk to draw a fewright to the said Mungo conforme to the saids acts.

Act in  
favouris of  
John Reid.

The magistrates and town counsell convened, their being a petition given in to them be John Reid, maltman, shewing that he was incarcerate for his miscarriage before baillie Tennent in unsuteable and irreverend

expressions, for which he was fyned and he ordained to be deprivyd of his being a burges, in maner specifeit in a former act made theranent, dated the nynth day of March last, as also acknowledgeing the justnes of the said sentence and his sense of and greife for his miscarriage, and craveing the councells pitie toward his poor familie, and that they would moderate the punishment so as his children might not suffer; which supplication being read in presence of the counsell, and the said John Reid haveing compeared in their presence and made ane humble acknowledgement for his misdemanours, they ordain his burges ticket to be deylvered back to him and rescinds the forsaid former act against him.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Thomas Pollock, taylour, twentie pounds Scots for his pains and expenssis in covering with black mourning for the late Queen the Kings seat in the High Church, with the counsell seats, pulpits and readers seats in the churches and meiting house of this burgh, conforme to ane particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

The magistrates and town counsell, in answer to ane petition given in to them be James Smith, merchant, craveing that the town would give him somewhat in consideration of his pains and depursements when he was ordered to goe to the woods of Buchanan to seek for pallisadoes for the Kings use at Inverlochrie, the saids magistrates and town counsell ordains the thesaurer to pay to the said James Smith fourtein pounds Scots in full of all he can ask or crave for the caussis forsaid.

1 October 1695.

[John Andersone, provost; John Corse, Robert Rodgers, merchants, and George Buchanan, for the crafts rank, bailies.]

Election of  
provost and  
bailies.

4 October 1695.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1695.

[John Aird, younger, dean of guild; George Nisbitt, deacon convener; George Muirhead, treasurer; John Woodrope, bailie of Gorbals; Mathew Cuming younger, etc. water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; William Cuming, visitor of maltmen; Patrick Tennent, visitor of gardeners.]

12 October 1695.

Bread, tallow, [The 12d. loaf to weigh 9 oz. 5 drop 12 grains; rough tallow to be sold for  
candle. £3 Scots the stone, and candle for £3 8s. the stone.]

19 October 1695.

Act against  
selling tallow  
dearer then  
the statutes.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that wheras their are diverse complaints made be the fleshers and candle-makers of this burgh that diverse of the private persons, burgesses, inhabitants of this burgh, doe sell the tallow of the beasts that they kill for the use of their families at greater pryces then the statutes, wherby the saids fleshers and candlemakers and other inhabitants are prejudged, therefore the saids magistrates and councell statutes and enacts that in all tyme comeing the saids burgesses, inhabitants, shall exact or take no greater pryces for the said tallow than the towns statutes appoints, under the pain of ten merks *toties quoties*, and appoints a proclamation to be put throw this town be the magistrates to the effect forsaid.

Act against  
forestalling  
of the mercat.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration that their are complaints made be the inhabitants of this burgh that diverse persons doe forestall the mercats of this burgh, and prejudge the inhabitants therof, by their buying of fresh butter, cheese, eggs, hens and other provisions comeing to the mercat, and thereftir makes merchandize therof and sells the same to their own advantage, therefore the councell prohibits any such practises in tyme comeing, under all highest pain, and recomends to the magistrates to see this act putt to executione, and to cause publish the same be tuck of drum through the town as use is; as also recomends to the baillie of the Gorballs to punish any of the inhabitants therof guiltie of the saids abuses, or that shall be guiltie therof in tyme comeing; and to cause observe and take knowledge of any of the inhabitants of this burgh who committs the saids abuses and practises att the Gorballs, and give up their names to the magistrates of this burgh that they be punished therefore.

Mr. John  
Sympsone,  
bibliothecar.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that conforme to umquhill Mr. Thomas Hutchesone his mortificatione, and posterior agreements betwixt the colledge and the town councell of this burgh, the said magistrates and town councell and the colledge have

the right of presentatione of the keeper of the bibliothick of the colledge *per vices*, each of them for the space of four years, and in regaird that the colledge who presented last their four years did expire the first day of October instant, wherby the right of presentation is now in the hands of the magistrates and town councell, and they being well assured of the fittedness and qualificationes of Mr. John Sympsone, sone to Mr. Patrick Sympsone, minister att Renfrew, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, for the said office, as lykewayes being informed be the principall and masters of the said colledge of his prudent and pious behaviour and of his fittedness for the said office, therfore the saids magistrates and town councell doe heirby present the said Mr. John Sympsone to the said office, for the space of four years next, eftir the said first day of October instant, and to all fies, benefites, and casualties belonging therto, he alwayes behaveing himself as becometh, and recomends to the principall and masters of the colledge to receave and install him in the said office accordingly, and ordains the clerk to give him ane extract of this presentatione.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideratione that Walter Gibsone, late provest, is debtor to the town in severall considerable soumes, and that notwithstanding that the magistrates and councell have bein from tyme to tyme expecting that their should have bein such settlement made in his affairs as should have produced the town satisfaction, yet nevertheless they have as yet obtained no payment nor securitie, and seing severall others of the said Walter his creditors have done dilligence by adjudications, therfore the magistrates and town councell doe heirby ordain the thesaurer to persew the said Walter for constituteing by decreets the debts which are not yet constitut, and to persew for adjudicatione therupon and upon the other bonds and rights to which the town hes right.

26 October 1695.

The magistrates and town councell conveened, the dean of gild reported in their presence that he had been conferring with Thomas Pettigrew, milner at the towns walk miln, anent setting ane tack to him of the said walkmiln for nyntein years, or shorter tyme, provyding he would find

caution in the tack for the yearly tackdewtie, but he fand that the said Thomas was neither in a capacitie to find the said cautione nor to pay his bygain rent preeceding Lambes last, extending to fyve hundreth merks or therby, and therefore the dean of gild had been discourseing with Thomas Broun, litster, and that he was willing to enter in tack for the said miln for the ordinary yearly rent of ane hundreth merks, and to be bound to putt the miln in a sufficient gangand caise and leave the samine so att the end of the tack, provydeing he got down the first years rent, in respect the present caise of the miln wes very insufficient; which being considered be the saids magistrates and councell they appointed and heirby appoints John Corse, baillie, and the dean of gild and deacon conveyener, to commun with the said Thomas anent the conditions of the tack and to make their report the next councell day.

Pensions  
rescinded.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration the present low condition of this burgh, doe therefore rescind and annull all acts and appointments of the magistrats and town councell of this burgh made in favouris of any person or persons for establishing pensions upon them, as phisicians, chirurgions or any other profession, trade or employment preceeding the year of God j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie years; declaring thir presents to be butt prejudice to bot in corroboration of any former acts rescissory, made be the preceeding magistrates and councell of this burgh to the effect forsaide.

The provost  
to wryte to  
the provost of  
Edinburgh,  
royall  
fisherie.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration that the late provest had receaved a letter from the provest of Edinburgh, representing that he had receaved advyce frae the agent for the burrows att London, shewing that their wes a royall fisherie to be established in favors of severall persons of the English nation, with power to fish in the seas of this kingdom; therefore desyreing the opinion of this burgh if they judged the matter to be of such importance to this nation as to merit the calling of a particular convention of burrows, for takeing the same to mature deliberatione; as also that it being formerly recomended be the magistrates to the late dean of gild to try the thoughts of the trading merchants in the said matter, the said dean of gild had reported in councell that the tradeing merchants judged it necessary that a particular convention of burrows should be called to cognosce therupon; therefore

the magistrates and town councell heirby appoints the provest to return ane answer to the provest of Edinburgh, shewing that it was their opinion and the mind of the merchants of this burgh that it was neidfull that a particular convention of the burrows be called to the effect forsaid, and for useing their endeavours to prevent any prejudice that might arryse to this nation of their just right and priveledge.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that the towns gift on the two pennies of the pynt is burdened with the payment of the towns debt, and that when the same is uplifted be the thesaurer it goes so promiscuously among the towns common good and others, that therby it is not brought to such a clear accompt to the end forsaid as might be wished, doe therfore resolve that the same be uplifted be members of the councell *per vices*, ilk ane of them for three moneths successive; and in prosecutione therof appoints James Slosse, late baillie, to uplift the same frae the collectors therof the first three moneths, viz., frae the first of November last inclusive to the first of February next exclusive, and ordains him to call the collectors to exact and tymelie compting, and to call for concurrence of the magistrates as neid requires in prosecution heirof.

Uplifting of  
two pennies  
on the pynt.

2 November 1695.

William Arbuckle, merchant, gave in ane accompt of extraordinary quartering upon him the tyme of the Danes resideing here for some time, being on their way to Irland, and att diverse other tymes, extending the said accompt to [£202 18s.] Scots money; which being considered be the councell they ordain George Robertsons, late thesaurer, to pay to the said William the third pairt of the said accompt, being [£67 12s. 8d.], and that in full to him of what he can crave frae the town upon the said accompt.

Warrant,  
Danes.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyned, William Napier and the dean of gild represented that they, according to a former ordinance, had cleared the accompt betwixt the town and John Luke of Claythorne, and they find indew to him three years rent of the two barns that was made a meiting house, at fourtie pounds yearlie, amounting to ten pounds sterling, and that they had allowed him four pounds sterling for the damage sustained by him before the barn was putt in repair for

Report anent  
the cleiring of  
accompt with  
John Louk.

<sup>1</sup> See Convention Records, IV., pp. 205-6 *et seq.*

setting, which extends in all to ane hundreth and sixty eight pound, and they fand that he is indew ane hundreth and fiftie eight pound of stents for himself, his mother and brother Robert, preceeding Whitsunday last, so that there is resting due to him of balance ten pounds Scots; which report the councell approves.

Warrant,  
dean of gild;  
students.

The magistrates and town councell, considering that the number of students att the colledge is so increased that their seatt in the High Church is not able to contain them, doe therefore appoint the dean of gild to make up what seats or accomodation he thinks for that effect.

30 November 1695.

Robert  
Rogers,  
particular  
convention of  
burrowes.

Appoints the clerk to give a commission to Robert Rodgers, ane of the present baillies, to repair to Edinburgh to attend the particular convention of the burrowes to be holden there the third of December next, to consider upon what is incumbent to the burrowes to do anent ane design of some of the English to obtain power of fishing in the Scots seas, lochs and creiks therof, as also anent a design of the burrowes to advance their own trade of fishing in this nation, and appoint James Johnstoun, merchant, to goe alongst with him as his assister.

Oath of  
alledgiance.

The magistrates and town councell conveened, James Weir, chirurgion apothecarie, Thomas Hamiltoun, chirurgian apothecarie, Walter Robert-sone and Robert Gray, barbours, did swear the oath of alledgiance to King William and subscribe the same with the assurance.

Anchorage  
and other  
dewties at  
Broomielaw  
and Port-  
glasgow;  
impositions  
on cairters.

The provest, baillies and town councell, takeing to their consideration that by sundrie chartours under His Majesties great seall, and by acts of parliament ratifeing the samine, in favouris of this burgh, their is power, libertie and priveledge granted to ask, seek and lift anchorage and shoare silver and other dewties of all merchandize, boats, litle veshells and other veshells arryveing at the Broomielaw, and to exact and lift small and pettie customes and anchorage of all ships, boats and other veshells att their port and within their bounds of Portglasgow, and all other dewties belonging to ane port or harbour, and to use and exercise all immunities and priveledges belonging to the libertie of a free port be the lawes and custome of this kingdom; as also takeing to their consideration that the towns streets, calseys and highways, within and without the ports of this



burgh, are exceedingly damnified and ruined by carters and their shod cairts, aither belonging or that resort to this burgh; and in regaird that the expenssis of makeing and building of the said harbour of Broomielaw, and port, harbour and bulwark of Portglasgow, have brought this burgh under great burden, and that the repairing and upholding therof is and will be expensive above what the common good of this burgh is able to defray, and therefore it seems to be more just and equitable that the forsaid power for anchorage dewties and others forsaid should be made use of and putt in practise for defraying of the expensses of the upholding of the saids harbours and port, and other wayes, then that the same should be done by the common good of this burgh, now brought so low as said is; as also that it is just and equitable that their be ane imposition made upon the saids cairters for their shod cairts, for helping to defray the expensses already given out upon and to uphold the saids calseys (so much damnified be them and expensive to the town as said is) in tyme coming; upon consideration of all which, and of the present low caise and condition of this burgh and common good therof, the saids magistrates and counsell have drawn up in wryte their thoughts anent the saids anchorages, dewties, exactions and impositions, and the rules and methods for manadgeing and regulateing of them, which being this day read in presence of the magistrates and counsell they (notwithstanding they are sufficiently impowered by the saids chartors and acts of parliament to impose and lay on the saids dewties and give rules theranent) are not willing to doe anything of that nature without the friendly concurrence of the neighbours and community of this burgh, therefore doe heirby recomend to and appoint the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to convey their respective housses, with such other of their respective ranks as is usuall, at the tymes respective following, viz., the merchants this day at two of the cloak in the eftirnoon, and the trades upon Munday next, at ten of the cloak in the forenoon, to take the premisses to their respective considerations, and to report from the saids respective housses and others forsaid their thoughts and opinions theranent, that the counsell may thereftir proceed in the saids matters.

2 December 1695.

Warraud,  
late  
thesaurer.

Ordains George Robertstone, late thesaurer, to make payment to William Barclay, master of wark, of [£321 13s. 4d.] Scots money, as the expenssis of rebuilding Camlachie brigg, att the end of the calsey on the way to Hamiltoun, and of materialls therunto; as also of [£305] for rebuilding of the bridge att the lower end of the Meikle Grein, taken away be a flood, and materialls therunto.

Two housses  
reports anent  
the dueties of  
Portglasgow  
and key of  
Broomielaw  
and carters.

The magistrates and town councell conveened, John Aird, younger, dean of gild, and George Nisbitt, deacon conveener, reported that they had conveened their two respective housses and a great many of the communitie of each of the merchants and trades ranks of this burgh (according to custome in such caises) for takeing to their consideration the particular dewties and impositions (drawen up and transmitted to them be the town councell) to be laid on upon ships, boats, barks and other veshells arryveing att and comeing to Port Glasgow and Broomielaw, together with the impositions to be laid upon carters, both strangers and burgesses, conforme to ane act of the town councell dated the threttie day of November last, and that upon the grounds and for the weightie causes and considerations therein exprest; as also they gave in ane act from each of the saids two housses, that of the merchants house being dated the said threttie day of November last and that of the trades house of the date of thir presents, bearing that the saids particular dewties and impositions were all read in presence of and considered be the saids respective housses and were approven by them, and that in testimonie of their heartie concurrence therewith and approbatione of the samine they had appointed the saids dewties and impositions to be ingrossed in the saids housses their respective books, as the saids two acts bears; which report being made as said is, and the saids magistrates and town councell haveing considered the samine, and haveing again caused read in their presence the forsaid dewties and impositions, with the saids acts and concurrences of the forsaid two housses, and takeing the same to their consideration, they approved and heirby approves of the saids dewties and impositions, and ordains the same to be exacted and payed in all tyme comeing as a part of the common good of this burgh. And sicklyke the saids magistrates and town councell haveing caused read in their presence

severall rules and orders (formerly drawn up be them) to be observed for the saids harbours and keys of Portglasgow and Broomielaw, and haveing again taken the same to their consideration, they doe heirby interpone their authoritie therto and ordain the samine to be keeped and observed in all tyme comeing, conforme to the tenor therof, and remitt to the magistrates, the dean of gild and deacon conveyener, and such others of their number as they shall think fitt to call to their assistance, to lay down and prosecute what other rules and methods they shall think fitt for makeing the saids dewties and impositions the more effectuall; as also they appoint the saids dewties and impositions, together with the saids rules and orders for the saids harbours and keys, all to be insert in the councill book of this burgh, wherof the tenor followes:—

Dews to be payed be all ships, barks, boats and other veshells, repairing to the road and harbour at Portglasgow.

Imprimis, all ships att or above ane hundreth tuns burden, belonging to burgesses and freemen of and within the town of Glasgow, shall pay of anchorage four pounds Scots, and strangers and unfreemen the double.

Item, all ships, barks and other veshells that are under ane hundreth tuns and above threttie tuns, belonging to freemen, burgesses as said is, shall pay two pounds Scots, and strangers and unfreemen the double.

Item, all ships, barks and other veshells of threttie tunns and not under twelve tuns, belonging to freemen, burgesses as said is, shall pay two merks, and strangers the double.

Item, all gabarts and boats that comes within the harbour, or makes fast upon the key, or shelters within the bay, or livers or loads in the road, belonging to freemen burgesses as said is, each shall pay three shilling Scots, and all strangers and unfreemen the double.

Item, that all yeolls and small boats for passengers, touching at the outsyde of the key, for the putting out of or takeing in any goods belonging to freemen, each shall pay twelve pounds Scots, and if they come within the key or bay of Newark two shilling money forsaide, and that strangers pay the double.

RULES and LAWS to be observed for the harbour and key att Portglasgow.

Imprimis, that no ships, barks or boats are to cast out any ballast or dirt within the harbour, or to liver or loaden ballast within the said harbour or road, but in the day time, without libertie granted be the baillie there, and that they take it in att their ballast port or their hatches, they alwayes haveing a cloath spread betwixt the ship and the said ballast boat that none of the ballast fall in the harbour or road.

Item, that no stone ballast, or any other ballast whatsoever, be laid upon the shoare, within the bounds of the harbour or bay of Newark, butt be carried a convenient distance to the northwest, att the back of the harbour, and there be laid as near the shoare as the boat can float to att the full sea, and that att the sight and appointment of the baillie.

Item, if any person design to putt out any stone ballast out of their ship with a resolution to take it on board again as their convenience will serve them, they are not to put it out untill first they obtain libertie from the baillie, who is to appoint a place where it is to be laid, and in caise the said person take it not aboard again as wes resolved, the baillie is ordered to cause him take it aboard or to carry it to the northwest part of the back of the key, att a considerable distance as the baillie shall appoint, which if he refuse the baillie is to arreist his ship ay and whill he find caution or consign money in the baillies hand for that effect, and in caise of not speedie compliance that the baillie fyne him for his contumacie.

Item, that none cast out anchors in the harbour or road without bowies on them, under the pain of twentie pounds Scots, attour satisfieing the damnages.

Item, whatever veshell comes first in the harbour or lyes in the insyde nearest to the key or breastwork, they are to fen off themselves from the key or breastwork, and all last comers are to fenn off them, and everyone is to fenn off the insyde ship.

Item, that no goods of whatsoever quality be laid on the key or breastwork or any other place, without libertie asked and given by the baillie, who is to appoint the particular place where they are to be laid for preventing of disorder and confusion.

Item, if any veshell be laid to for livering and loading upon the shoare, key or breastwork, and doe not use dilligence and expedition for the doing of the same, but delay to the prejudice of other veshells to come in to their berth for livering and loading as said is, they shall be appointed to remove and give place to the other, att the discretion of the baillie.

Item, if their be att one tyme severall veshells livering or loading, and not sufficient lighters or boats to serve them all, the boats are to be divyded equally at the discretion of the baillie, notwithstanding of any paction or agreement made by aither of the paities.

Item, whosoever has occasion to break ground upon the graveing bank or elsewhere in the bay, they are to fill it up sufficiently att the sight of the baillie, under the pain of fyve pounds.

Item, that no person whatsoever lay down any dirt or red of their housses, or anything whatsoever that may be hurtfull and prejudiciall any maner of way to the harbour, or the passage on the high streets, and if they doe they shall be oblidged furthwith to carry it off, under the pain of fyve pounds attour performance.

Item, that what sunk boats are presently within the harbour shall be lifted up and carried to a convenient place without the harbour, at the sight of the

baillie, and that in tyme comeing no disabled and sunk ship, bark or boat shall ly within the harbour longer than eight weeks, and that in order to repairing and dresseing, and eftir that tyme is expired the owners therof shall be oblidge to carry them out of the said harbour to such convenient places as the baillie shall appoint; and in caise the owners of the saids veshells or boats already sunk, or that shall be heireftir disabled and sunk as said is, shall delay eftir the said tyme appointed, the baillie shall require them to carry them furth of the said harbour and lay them in such convenient places of the bay as he shall think fitt, and in caise of refuseall or not present compliyanee with the said appointment the baillie is heirby authorized to carry the saids veshells furth, upon the expenssis of the owners, and lay them in such convenient places as he shall think expedient without his being lyable for the damnyages to be sustained therby, off which the baillie is heirby declared quyt and free.

Dews to be payed for the conveniencie of the key att the Broomielaw, for the building and mentainance therof, and that by and attour what old dewes are payed for the bridge.

Imprimis, that all gabarts or boats livering and loading at the key, or any pairt in the river of Clyd att or betwixt Kelvin Pott, att or above twelve tuns burden, shall pay for the causes forsaid, every freeman burges inhabitant of this town four shilling, and strangers and unfreemen the double.

Item, all boats or gabarts below twelve tuns, and att or above sex tuns, belonging to freemen burgesses as said is shall pay three shilling, and strangers sex shilling Scots money.

Item, all boats under sex tuns, and att or above two tuns burden, belonging to freemen burgesses as said is shall pay ane shilling sex pennies, and strangers the double.

Item, all boats below two tuns, belonging to freemen burgesses as said is, shall pay ane shilling, and strangers the double.

Item, all goods of whatsoever quality, livered and loaded at the key of the Broomielaw, each freeman burges as said is shall pay eight pennies per tun, and strangers or unfreemen ane shilling four pennies, reckoning for the tun four Burdeaux hogsheads, eight barrells, two thousand weight, ane hundreth dails, eight thousand herring in bulk, and what other goods is not distinguished here by the tun is to pay according to the burden of the boat.

Item, all provisions for ships that are loaded at the Broomielaw are to be free. As for the towns of Renfrew, Dumbartane and Rutherglen, they are only to pay as freemen burgesses of Glasgow.

RULES and LAWS to be observed at the key of the Broomielaw.

Imprimis, whatsoever boats comes to liver at the key, all empty boats is to give way to them that they may liver their goods with ease.

Item, all boats that are to take in any goods att the key, empty boats that are not presently to loaden are to give way to them.

Item, no boats lying att the key are to lay out their anchors thereon but to make fast by the rings.

Item, no anchore is to be laid in the water except their be ane bowie thereon, under the penalty of a rex dollar by and attour paying the damage.

Item, that no ballast stones be laid on the key without libertie from the water baillie, under the penalty of ane rex dollar, and if libertie be granted they shall be removed within twentie four hours eftir upon charge of these that laid them on.

Item, no boat is to cast out any dirt, stones, or any other thing, within any place of the river under the penalty of a rex dollar.

Item, that no boat sailing up and down the river shall have their oars standing out but shall have their oars laid alongs't the syde within the boat, under the pain of fyve pound *toties quoties*, attour being lyable for the damage, and getting no satisfaction for the damage they shall sustain in doing in the contrair.

Item, that the water serjeants shall cleanse the river before the key of all the loose stones, red and sand, that shall ly higher then the underbed of the groundstain of the key, two tymes each year, under the penalty of two rex dollars for each failye, and for that effect ane drage or harle is to be made.

Item, that the baillie punish curseing and swearing, conforme to the acts of parliament.

Thir statutes and rules are to be openly proclaimed three severall weeks successively, upon such a day of the week when boates and the resort on the key is strongest, and eftirward to be affixed upon the cran, and a double therof upon the bridge port.

Dzws to be payed by the carters in and about the town of Glasgow who have shod cairts for defraying the expensis of laying and repairing the calseys in and about the town.

Imprimis, every burges and freeman that makes the trade of carting shall pay yearly at Whitsunday and Mertimes, be equall portions, for each shod cairt that they make use of, two pounds Scots.

Item, every freeman inhabitant within this burgh that makes not a constant trade of carting, but leads sometimes coalls or muck, shall pay yearly for every shod cairt, att the termes forsaid, twentie shilling Scots.

Item, every unfreeman, inhabitant within this town, that makes the trade of carting, shall pay yearly, att the termes forsaid, four pound for each shod cairt.

Item, every unfreeman, inhabitant, that makes not a trade of carting, but att sometimes of the year leads coalls and muck, shall pay yearly for every shod cairt, att the termes forsaid, fourtie shilling.

Item, all persons liveing about the town, that keeps cairts or leading of stones, shall pay yearly, att the termes forsaid, for each shod cairt four pounds Scots, or four pennies for ilk draught.

Item, all coall and muck shod cairts, belonging to outentowns men shall pay for every draught two pennies, or ten groats yearly, at their option, pro-  
vydeing they make their choise of either of the two upon the first or second day  
of February, and in caise they pay the ten groats yearly it is to be payed at the  
termes forsaied.

Item, all strangers liveing without the bounds of eight myles from the town  
of Glasgow shall pay, for every shod cairt, four shilling Scots in and out.

Item, all strangers liveing att or within the distance of eight myles, as said  
is, shall pay for every shod cairt, in and out, two shilling Scots.

7 December 1695.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration <sup>Teachers of</sup> the prejudice that young ones within this burgh doe sustain through the <sup>schools free</sup> want of a sufficient number of these who teaches musick, sewing and <sup>of stent.</sup> other airts and sciences, and that ane of the discouragements they meet within this place is that in tyme bygain they have been stented by the stentmasters, therefore the magistrates and councell appoints and ordains that none such shall be stented in tyme comeing, unless they use some trade belonging to freemen, and this is nowayes to be extended to the stent already laid on payable att Lambes last and Candlemes nixt nor preceeding stents, but only for tyme thereftir as said is and to continue dureing the councells pleasure only.

The magistrates and town councell being conveened, John Corse, <sup>A sallarie to</sup> baillie, reported that (the magistrates and councell haveing desyred him <sup>a teacher of</sup> to provide this town with a man fitt for teaching the airt of navigation, <sup>the airt of</sup> bookkeeping, arithmetick and wryteing), he had accordingly prevailed <sup>navigatione,</sup> with Robert Whytingdale for that effect, who came here att Whitsunday <sup>etc.</sup> last, off which report the councell heirby approves, and for the said Robert his encouragement heirby inacts themselves and their successouris in office to pay to him, yearly, eightie pounds for sallarie and house rent, att two termes proportionally, Whitsunday and Mertimes, beginning the first att Mertimes last for the half year preceeding, and so furth theireftir dureing the councells pleasure.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration the great <sup>Act anent the</sup> prejudice that the common good of this burgh hes sustained, in tyme <sup>thesaurer.</sup> bygain, throw the former town thesaurers their being too remiss and slack

in ingathering of the towns revenues, rents and others, falling payable within the space and tyme of their office, therefore and for preventing of such losses and prejudices in tyme comeing, it is heirby appointed, statute and enacted that the present thesaurer and his successouris in office, in all tyme comeing, shall obtain payment of what revenues, rents and others falls due in their tyme, otherwayes they shall be lyable to the town for the samine, unless they can instruct, at the makeing of their accompt, that they have done exact diligence therefore, to be instructed as followes, viz., that they have imprissoned the debtors by caption, or that they have conveyened them before the magistrates in order to imprissonment untill payment, and in caise the magistrates declyne to imprisson as said is, or that the debtors suspend, or if other weighty caussis doe plead for a delay, that the same be represented be the thesaurer to the town councell the nixt ensueing councell day for remedy, as also in the caise of the magistrates declyning to incarcerate as said is that in that caise the magistrate swa declyning shall be lyable for the debt, except that he represent to the town councell the nixt councell day the grounds wherupon he declynes as said is, that they may give their judgement theranent, and he obtain exoneration be their act theranent.

14 December 1695.

The townes  
ludgeing in  
Gorballs set  
to William  
Barclay.

The magistrates and town councell have agreed with William Barclay, master of wark, in the matter underwritin, as is eftir specifeit, viz., the saids magistrates and town councell are to sett in tack to the said William Barclay, for the space of eleven years eftir Whitsunday nixt to come, all and haill the towns great lodgeing in Gorballs and garden therof, presently possest be the relict of Sir James Turner, excepting furth of the said tack, the chappell, the old prisson house and the strae loft that belangs to the teynd barn; and the said William his entrie therto is to be att Whitsunday nixt, and he is to be bound for payment of ane hundreth merks of yearly rent; and he is to repair the housses att the sight of the dean of gild and deacon conveener, and to keep them in a good caise dureing the tack, and to leave the same sufficient att the end therof.



28 December 1695.

The provest gave accompt of his diligence att Edinburgh in the towns affairs, viz., that he haveing receaved a letter from his Majesties advocat, upon Tuesdayes night late, the seventeinth instant, when he was sitting with severall of the magistrates and town counsell, giveing him accompt that his lordship wes going for London, being called to court, and they being informed that he was to ryd upon the Thuresday eftir, so that a counsell could not be called for advyce, and the town haveing severall affairs of great concernment about the tythes of the Barronie and others depending at court, they oblidged the provest to ryd for Edinburgh early the next morning to speak to my lord advocat about these concerns, which accordingly he had done and had given his lordship ane memoriall about them, together with what other papers was requisite for the affair and his lordships farder information; as also the provest gave in ane accompt of his expenssis of the said journey, two horse hires and personall expenssis, extending to fourtie ane pound ane shilling, with ane other accompt of expenssis of ane other journey to Edinburgh in November last, for which the town allowed him fourtie pound [making together £81 1s.].

Appoints the provest to pay in to George Robertsons, late thesaurer, the soume of threttie two pounds eight pennies, which he receaved at Edinburgh as the pryce of some half barrells of herring that were sent there to be given to the towns friends, and not being disposed of that way were sold at the pryce forsaid, and ordains the said late thesaurer to charge himself with the said soume or deduce the same in his accompts off the pryces of the herring sent to Edinburgh the year preceeding.

16 January 1696.

The magistrates and town counsell appoint that the ordinary charity that uses to be given be the magistrates to the poor be performed be the baillies *per vices*, and each baillie to manage the same for the space of a moneth, and John Corse, eldest baillie, to begin for February nixt.

The dean of gild reported that he and the deacon conveyener had gone throw the churches and taken off the mournings for the late Queen and sold the same for sixtie four pounds, which they had payed in to the thesaurer; which report the counsell approves.

Statutes  
against  
nestines.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration the many complaints made be the inhabitants of this burgh of the growing and abounding nestines and filthiness of the place at present, doe therefore statute and ordain as followes, viz., Imprimis, that no master or mistres or heads of families or their children or servants or others lodging or resideing in their families shall, att any time heireftir, be day or be night, cast out at their windows, aither upon fore or back streets or in lanes or closes, any excrement, dirt or urine, or other filth or water, foul or clean, under the pain of fyve merks Scots money for ilk transgression, and to ly in prisson till they pay the samine and find sufficient caution to abstain frae such practises for the future. Item, that none of the saids persons, att any time as said is, shall cast out, as is aforesaid, any excrement, dirt, urine or other filth, except water allenarly, at any jawholls, under the lyke penalty and hazard. Item, that none of the saids persons shall, at any time as said is, cast out as aforesaid anything whatsoever out at these jawholls which have not a conduit to carry to the ground what shall be cast out therby, under the lyke penalty and hazard. And ordains all heretors of lands within this burgh to repair conduits to jawholls that are upon any street, lane or closse, where they are defective, and to make conduits to all such jawholls which are upon streets, lanes and closes, where they are wanting, within fourtie dayes eftir the date heiroy, and keep the same sufficiently in repair in all tyme heireftir, and that under the pain of twelve pound for ilk failyie; and in caise of the heritors failyieing to repair or make conduits for jawholls as said is, in that caise ordains the possessors to repair and make the same and to have deduction of the expenssis off their rent, or otherwayes the possessors to be summarly poynded for the said fyne. Item, that no person whatsoever voyd or lay down their excrement of dirt or urine within any turnpyck or stair, or voyd or lay down excrement of dirt upon the high street, or other streets, lanes, closes, entries or passages within this burgh, under the pain of fyve merks *toties quoties*, and to ly in prisson untill they find caution as said is. Item, that in caise of transgressing of any of the orders and acts forsaide, the magistrates call and conveene before them all persons they please, and take tryall of the transgression for finding out the person guiltie, aither be

the suspected persons their oaths or be witnessis, or if the magistrates think fitt to cause the haill persons within families, or the haill persons of each familie, within what tenements, closses and bounds they think fitt, give their oaths upon their own guilt or upon what they know of the guilt of others. Item, that all masters or heads of families shall be lyable for all persons within their families their transgresseing of the premissis or any pairt therof, and ordains masters to have relieve off their servants or others transgressors within their families, or the magistrates to fyne and punish the persons guilty themselves as they think expedient. Item, recomends to the magistrates to putt these statutes, or any other former statutes and good customes of this burgh against nestiness and uncleanness, to full execution, and that they cause publication to be made heiroyf be tuck of drum that none pretend ignorance.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration the Act for hazard, terror and amazement, as also the great prejudice that frequently <sup>sweeping of lums.</sup> falls out be soot takeing fire in chimney heads and braces, through the negligence and carlessness of the inhabitants in not sweeping of and keeping the same clean, therefore they statute and ordain that, in all tyme comeing, the haill inhabitants of this burgh shall, once every quarter of ane year, sweep and make clean the haill braces and lums possesst and kept in constant use be them, whether they be of kitchines, halls, chambers, backhousses, brewhousses, smiddies or others whatsoever, and such other chimneys and braces that are not kept in constant use to be swept at least once every year, and that under the pain of fourtie shillings Scots for each faillie; and in caise any fire shall break out in any brace or chimneyhead, through the defect of not tymeous sweeping therof as said is, the persons guilty shall be lyable to the fyne of ane hundreth pounds Scots, and punished farder in his person, att the will of the magistrats; and appoints the magistrates to make publication therof.

*1 February 1696.*

The magistrates and town councell appoints the thesaurer to pay the Warrant, dean of gild threttie seven pounds seven shilling Scots, depursed be him <sup>thesaurer.</sup> for green cloath and silk freinzes for the pulpits of the kirks of this burgh, conforme to ane particular accompt.

The baillie of regalityes acts of oppression to be enquired in.      The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration the many complaints made be the inhabitants of many acts of oppression committed upon them be William Somervail of Kennoch, baillie deput of the regality of Glasgow, doe heirby appoint the magistrates, dean of gild, deacon conveener, and such others of the councell as they think fitt to call to their assistance, to informe themselves of the said acts of oppression, and if they think fitt make a representation therof and complaint therupon to the lords of His Majesties privie councell.

8 February 1696.

Warrant, late thesaurer.      Ordains the late thesaurer to make payment to the maister of wark of [£489 6s.], depursed be him for painting and furniture to the four horologies of the Merchantis steeple in August [1695].

A comittie anent the poors money.      Appoints the magistrates [and others] to meet with these appointed be the kirk session, to the effect eftirspecifeit, and consider of wayes and methods for the more easie and better gathering in of the money appointed for maintainance of the poor within this burgh, and to make report of their proceedure.

A comittie for the complaints against the coupers.      The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that their are many complaints made of abuses and wrongs committed be the coupers of this burgh, and to the doing therof they pretend to have power and warrant for the samine, conforme to ane act dated the fyftein day of May j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie ane years,<sup>1</sup> therfore the saids magistrates and town councell doe heirby commissionat and appoint John Andersone, provest [and others], to inform themselves particularly of the abuses complained of, and to call before them the deacon and masters of the couper trade, as also all persons of whom they are informed to be guiltie of the saids abuses, as also such persons as have receaved any wrongs and abuses from any of them, and examine the whole matter and to take tryall therof, and take consideration whether or not the things complained of be warranted by the said act, and make report of their proceedure to the councell.

Warrant, thesaurer.      Ordains the thesaurer to pay to John Miller, maltman, twelve pounds Scots, as the pryce of his cairt which was broken betwixt this and Stirling, being pressed therto for the service of the Kingis officers.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 20-23.

15 *February* 1696.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration <sup>Measures of</sup> that their are as yet no setled measures nor weights at Port Glasgow, <sup>Portglasgow.</sup> doe therefore heirby ordain and appoint that the pecks, weights, elnwans and stoups to be made use of heirefter att Port Glasgow shall be according to the standards of this burgh; and discharges the making use of any measures or weights there except what are sealled with the dean of gilds seall; and appoints the dean of gild to send to Port Glasgow six pecks, with what moe he thinks fitt, sealed with the dean of gilds seall as said is; and the inhabitants of Port Glasgow to send up what weights and elnwans they have to this burgh that they may be adjusted be the dean of gild and sealled as said is; and ordains the baillie of Port Glasgow to see this present act putt to execution and fyne and punish the transgressors therof.

Ordains the thesaurer to give to James Scott, shoemaker, a poor man, <sup>Warrand,</sup> lately distracted, six pounds for supplieing his present necessity. <sup>thesaurer.</sup>

Ordains the late thesaurer to have allowance in his accompts of <sup>Warrand,late</sup> sixtie <sup>thesaurer;</sup> two pounds, as the pryce of twelve half barrells of herring, att fyve <sup>herring.</sup> pounds fourtie pennies per peice, which were sent in to Edinburgh to the towns advocats and friends, and threttie six pounds for the carriage to Edinburgh of twentie four half barrells att threttie shillings per peice.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration that <sup>Warrand,</sup> William Barclay, master of wark, has depursed and payed out the <sup>thesaurer,</sup> expenssis of the funeralls of the deceist master Robert Park, town clerk, <sup>for Mr. Parks</sup> he haveing no relations in this place to performe that dewtie, and that, <sup>funerall</sup> notwithstanding the said William hes now a persute therfore in dependance against (*blank*) Mein, mother to the said Mr. Robert, yet the same is not yet come to a sentence, and the councell thinking it just that the said William Barclay should suffer no more prejudice be lying out of the said expenssis and wanting the use of his money, therefore the magistrates and councell heirby ordains George Robertsons, late thesaurer, to make payment to the said William of the soume of [£340 3s. 10d.], Scots money, to which the accompt of the said expenssis does extend, he alwayes being oblidged, eftir obtaining sentence for the saids expenssis, aither to assign the same to the town for their reimbursement or other-

wayes he himself to sute for payment therof and haveing obtained payment to repay the same to the town.

5 March 1696.

The towns  
interest in the  
African and  
Indian trade.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideratione that the company of this nation for tradeing to Africa and the Indies, lately appointed and established be act of parliament, dated the twentie sixth day of June j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie fyve years, seems to be very promising and apparently may tend to the honor and profite of the kingdom, and particularly to the great advantage of this burgh to share therin, and seing by the late act of parliament, dated the seventeenth day of July last, power and liberty is therby granted to royall burrowes to adventure and putt in money for a share and pairt to be purchased be them in the said company, therefore the saids magistrates and town councell (with consent of the merchants and trades their respective houses, previously conveneend for giveing advyce in the said matter), doe resolve and conclude to stock in and adventure for this burgh and common good therof in the said company in trade the soume of three thousand pounds sterling money, and heirby enact themselves and their successouris in office for payment makeing of the said soume, conforme to the rules, conditions and constitutions of the said company; as also, for farder prosecuting of the samen, doe heirby commissionat, appoint and give full power to John Andersone of Dowhill, provest of the said burgh, to subscrivve the said company their books of subscription for the said soume, conforme to the rules, conditions and constitutions forsaid, and to which the saids magistrates and town councell binds and oblidges them and their successouris in office to stand and abyd.

Warrant,  
thesaurer;  
regiment.

The magistrates and town councell conveneend, the magistrates reported in their presence that Collonell M'Gills regiment being called to remove frae this town, and they being scarce of money, the magistrates were necessitate aither to lend them twelve hundreth pounds or else that they should remove without paying debts resting be them to the inhabitants, and therefore the magistrates prevailed with the thesaurer to lend to them the said soume and he had receaved band frae Major M'Kenzie, Captains Gibbons, Waddell and Hendersone, conjunctly and

severally, aither to obtain and delyver to the thesaurer a recept of the lyke soume frae the generall receaver or his deput, in pairt of the towns Candlemas supply, or repay the said soume, and that betwixt and the fyfteinth instant; of which report the councell doe heirby approve and shall allow the said soume to the thesaurer in his accompts, in caise of not fulfilling of the said bond.

*7 March 1696.*

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to the dean of gild [£22 5 s. 2 d.], as Warrant, the expenssis depursed be him upon the company that waited on the thesaurer. provest and baillies yesterday, to the Viscountess of Dundie and the laird of Poekellie their burialls att Kilsyth,<sup>1</sup> conforme to a particular accompt therof.

Appoints a call to be given to Mr. John Chrystie, lately licentiate Mr. John to preach the Gospell, to be ane of the ministers of this burgh, and Crystie to be seing the tyme appointed for subscriyveing of the said call is upon Tuesday called to be nixt, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, therfore appoints the councell ane of the ministers to meet the said day and hour for subscriyveing the said call.

The magistrates and town councell have (in prosecution of their Bond sub- former act date the fyfth instant) subscriyved a bond to pay to the scribed to the company of Scotland tradeing to Africa and the Indies, or to whom African and Indian Com- they shall appoint, the soume of seven hundreth and fiftie pounds sterling, pany. as the fourt pairt of the soume of three thousand pounds sterling subscriyved for be the provest as being commissionat therto be the councell, conforme to their said former act, and that betwixt and the first of June nixt, with expenssis in caise of failyie and annualrent eftir the said day, and appoints the provest upon delivery of the bond to gett a recept therof as use is.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration that the Act anent the comittee appointed be them for meeting with these to have bein appointed maner of the be the kirk session in reference to the mentainance of the poor within mentainance of the poor.

<sup>1</sup> See "The Account Book of Sir John Foulis of Ravelston, 1671-1707" (Scottish History Society, vol. 16), pp. xxiii., xxiv., 190. John Grahame of Claverhouse was served heir

to his grandfather (avi) in the lands of Polkello, or Balkello, in Forfarshire, on 18th June, 1678 (Retours, Forfar—No. 474).

this burgh, had accordingly mett and concluded that the only proper way for mentaining of the saids poor was that the merchant rank shall mentain their poor and the trades rank their poor, as also that these poor who cannot be classed as aither of the saids two ranks should be mentained be the kirk session and be that pairt of the stent formerly imposed upon such as are residenters and neither merchants nor traders, and that in prosecution of the said purpose the saids two houses of merchants and trades had mett and appointed four for each house to meet with four who are appointed be the session and four to be appointed be the town councell, for adjusting all matters that may tend to the prosecution and settling of the saids purposes and resolutions in relation to the poor, therfore the saids magistrates and councell heirby appoint the provest [and others], being four of their own number, to meet and convene with these appointed be the saids two houses and kirk session from tyme to tyme, for bringing the saids purposes and methods to a period.

14 March 1696.

Anent the  
present levie.

The magistrates and town councell, in persewance of the late acts of parliament and privie councell anent the levie for this present year, doe heirby appoint the magistrates to call before them the hail inhabitants of this burgh, that they may consult what may be the method most suteable and agreeing to the saids acts, for putting out of the proportion of the said levie falling to the share of this burgh, and to recomend the prosecution therof to the inhabitants and give them all neidfull and legall concurrence for that effect.

The provest  
to goe to  
Lanerk ther-  
anent.

Appoints the provest to repair to Lanerk upon Thuresday nixt, the nynteinth instant, there to attend the meeting of the commissioners of supplie of the shire of Lanerk, to meet the said day for prosecution of the acts of parliament and privie councell anent the levie for this present year, in so far as concerns the said shire, and sit with them and doe what is incumbent therin, and the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to goe alongs with him for advyce and assistance.

Anent the  
fewing  
ground north  
of tolbooth  
turnpyk.

The magistrates and town councell conveyened, the dean of gild and deacon conveyener represented that severall persons were desyreous to make a purchase of that peice of ground upon the north syde of the wall of the



tolbooth turnpyck, and of ane peice of the back galdrie, to the effect they may build there, so as not to prejudge the turnpyck lights nor weaken the tolbooth, which being taken to consideration the magistartes and town councell appoints the magistrates [and others] to treat and common with the persons that offered to make the said purchase anent what they would give for a fewright to the said peice of ground, and what should be the yearly fewdewtie, and what should be the maner of the said building, so as that the tolbooth may receive no prejudice therby, and to report the nixt councell day.

The magistrates and town councell, considering that their are now Constables to methods laid down for mentaining of the poor of this burgh, and that yet <sup>keep out</sup> there are many stranger beggars within the same, therefore recomends <sup>stranger</sup> to the magistrates to appoint the number of (*blank*) constables for keeping <sup>beggars.</sup> out of strangers, and the magistrates to appoint their sallarie and the master of wark to pay the same accordingly.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing consideration that the Merchants merchants and trades ranks have now laid down methods for mentaining <sup>and trades</sup> of their respective poor, and have accordingly stented themselves to that <sup>stent for</sup> their poor. effect, therefore the councell approves of the saids stents and recomends to the magistrates to give concurrence for ingathering of the same.

The magistrates and town councell convened, the provest represented <sup>Act anent the</sup> that upon Thuresdayes night last, about eleven of the clock att night, <sup>beating of the</sup> John and Thomas Cochranes, James Boyl and (*blank*) Benford, all <sup>sentries.</sup> websters, had beaten and abused the two sentries of the towns guard standing at the croce, and that the provest had adduced witnesses against them for proveing therof, which was read in councell, against both the Cochranes and James Boyll, and expected he would get probation also against (*blank*) Benford, and had incarcerat all of them, and this being a great and concerning crime and abuse, desyred the councells advyce therin, which being considered be the councell they fand the said probation cleir, and appoint the saids persons to ly in prisson till the nixt councell day, that the councell may advyse what punishment to inflict upon them, and in the mean tyme that the provest call for their burges tickets and informe himself of their associats, and call them also before him, and report.

A comittie to  
prevent dis-  
orders att  
Broomielaw.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration the many jars and debates that arryses att livering of gabarts and other lighters att the Broomielaw, in default of the carters, and for want of settled rules and methods theranent, doe therefore heirby appoint the magistrates, dean of gild, deacon conveyener and such others of the councell as they please to call to their assistance, to meet and draw up such rules and methods as they think fitt for preventing any such differences for the future, and that they call before them such of the tradeing merchants as they think fitt for advyce in the said matter and thereftir make their report to the councell.

21 *March* 1696.

John and  
Thomas  
Cochranes  
and James  
Boyl fyned.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, their wes a supplication given in to them be John and Thomas Cochranes, James Boyll and John Benford, websters, burgesses of this burgh, subscryved with their hands, shewing and acknowledgeing that upon the twelfth of March instant, being too late frae their respective families, they had been dissorderly and committed abuse upon the towns sentries, for which they were afflicted and troubled in their minds, and seing they had formerly lived without stain or blott, and that they and their families were poor, and that they had delyvered up to the provest their burges tickets, conforme to a former act dated the fourteenth instant, therefore craveing pardon for the said offence and liberation from prisson, and promise not to be found in the lyke fault, as the supplicatione more fullie bears; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrates and town councell, and they haveing considered the same, with the depositions of the witnesses adduced against the saids persons, they heirby americiat and fyne the said Thomas Cochrane in fiftie pounds, and each of the saids John Cochrane and James Boyll in threttie pounds, and ordains the saids respective fynes to be payed in to the magistrates; and in regaird the morn is the Lords Day allowes them to goe at libertie till Tuesday nixt, att eleven of the clock in the forenoon, and then the saids three persons fyned as said is to return to prisson, their to remain till they pay their fynes as said is, and upon payment wherof appoints the magistrates to sett them at liberty and redelyver to them their burges tickets.

The magistrates and town councell have subscriyved a vendition or Vendition disposition granted be them in favouris of James Crawford of Gartnavell <sup>subscriyved to James Crawford of the</sup> of the towns hulk which was publickly roupd, conforme to ane former <sup>hulk.</sup> act dated the seventh day of December last (and the roup carried be the said James as he who bad most therfore, viz.: three thousand four hundreth merks payable at Whitsunday and Lambes nixt proportionally), and the said vendition is instantly delyvered to the thesaurer, to the effect he may delyver up the same to Gartnavell upon his receaveing a bond of borrowed money for the said pryce, payable at the saids termes, with sufficient caution, in respect the pryce is yet resting, notwithstanding that the vendition bears the same to be payed, and ordains the thesaurer to charge himself with the said soume.

Ordains the thesaurer to make payment to Walter Rob, servitor to Warrant, Hugh Blair, postmaster, of fyve dollars, upon consideration that he being <sup>thesaurer, councell</sup> employed to carry into Edinburgh the hail councell books, since the <sup>books.</sup> year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fiftie eight, he received such stresse and prejudice therby that he lay sick in Edinburgh for twentie dayes, to his great expenssis and losse of tyme.

Ordains George Robertsons, late thesaurer, to make payment to Warrant, late Francis Stevensone, wright, of the soume of three hundreth and fourtie <sup>thesaurer, wright work.</sup> fyve pounds Scots money, resting be the town to him for window case-ments to the Laigh Kirk and cleiding, cutting and ceillering of the ruife, and for reforming of the souldiers loft there, makeing a door therto, proping the wall and makeing of two seats there, and working in the churches before and eftir the communion, and for work and materialls to the horologe of the Briggait steeple, such as of and concerning the broads therof, and for other work and materialls specifeit in ane particular accompt therof, revised be the late dean of gild, and commenceing frae the eightein of Aprile j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie fyve to the twentie of October last inclusive.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, the provest <sup>The provests</sup> reported that he, with the dean of gild and dēacon conveyener, had attended <sup>report from the meeting</sup> the meeting of the commissioners of supplie of the shire of Lanerk, <sup>of the com- missioners of</sup> conforme to the councells former act dated the (*blank*) day of March <sup>supplie at</sup> instant, for proportionateing upon the said shire the number of fiftie <sup>Lanrek.</sup>

men, as the shires proportion of the levie of ane thousand men laid on upon this kingdom for this year, conforme to the late act of parliament, and that the commissioners did lay on sextein therof upon the burghs of Glasgow, Lanerk, and Rutherglen, and that as a third pairt of the said haill proportion of the shire, pretending former practises to be their rule therein, by which the provest, judgeing the burghs to be prejudged, did for himself and in name of the other two burghs forsaides represent to the commissioners that, if any such former practises were, the same wes alwayes upon the consideration that in caise any levy of horses fell out the countrey were to bear the haill burden therof, and the towns to be altogether free of the samine, and in caise the commissioners would pass their act on these termes he had nothing to object, but in regaird they would take no nottice of his said representation he protested that the said proportion of sextein men now laid on upon the burghs should not prejudge them in tyme comeing nor inferr any homologation of the said proportion, except on the condition to be free of horse levies as said is, and therupon he took instruments in the clerk to the saids commissioners his hands; lykeas the provest farder represented that they had settled with Lanerk and Rutherglen that their proportion of the said sextein men should be butt two for this year, which was the third pairt of the six men they furnished for the levie j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> nyntie four, and considering it was but a small ease, amounting only to the seventh pairt of two men of the said former levie, in maner specifeit in ane act of the town counsell theranent dated the [8] day [September] j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> nyntie four years,<sup>1</sup> the provest, dean of gild and conveener thought fitt att this tyme to give them the said ease, with this condition that it should be considered in the nixt levie.

28 *March* 1696.

Anent  
Cochrane and  
Boyle, their  
fynes.

The magistrates and town counsell being conveened, the magistrates represented to them that in regaird they were certainly informed that John and Thomas Cochranes and James Boyll, weavers (who were fyned conforme to a former act dated the twentie ane day of *March* instant), were verie poor, therefore the magistrates had accepted from them six dollars in full satisfaction of their fynes, which they had divyded as

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 134-5.

follows, viz., a pair thereof to the sentrie who was bruised and hurt and the remainder thereof to the town officeris.

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, the provest <sup>A committee anent the Indian Com-</sup> represented that, att a late meeting of these concerned in the company of <sup>pany.</sup> Scotland tradeing to Africa and the Indies, it is appointed that their be a meeting of the haill subscriyvers, both att Edinburgh, Glasgow, and other places, for nominateing and electing members of a comittie which is to meet at Edinburgh, on Wednesday nixt the first of Apryle, for settleing on rules for manadgeing the said trade, and their being a meeting of the subscriyvers in this burgh this eftirnoon, att three of the clock, for nameing of the members of the said comittie, therfore they nominate and appoint John Gibsone and John Woodrope, late baillies, to meet with the said subscriyvers in this burgh to the effect forsaid.

Ordains George Robertsons, late thesaurer, to have allowance in his <sup>Warrant, late thesaurer.</sup> own hands of fyftein pounds sterling money payed out be him to William Dickie, bookbinder, for printing Mr. Craighheads book upon the Sacrament of the Lords Supper, dedicated to the magistrates and councell of this burgh,<sup>1</sup> and as for the pryce of the printed coppies of which book the said William is to hold compt to the town therfore, and appoints the said late thesaurer to state the said soume to his thesaurer accompt, so as the same is given up as a rest therin upon the said William Dickie.

11 April 1696.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to the dean of gild [£22 7s. 4d.] Scots Warrant, <sup>thesaurer.</sup> money, as the provest, dean of gild, deacon conveyener and others accompanying them, their expenssis for one night att Kilwinning, when at the buriall of the two masters of Montgomerie.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration that the <sup>The lands of Petershill and Wester-</sup> tennents of the towns lands of Petershill and Westercommon are warned <sup>common to be sett.</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Robert Craighead, M.A., author of this book, was one of the ministers of Glasgow in 1689-90, and again in 1698, on each occasion returning to Ireland, whence he had come to the city. Two copies of the book, both published at Glasgow, are in the Mitchell Library, one printed by Robert

Sanders in 1714, and the other printed by William Duncan in 1736. The dedication to the magistrates and council is dated at Londonderry, Feb. 26, 1695. An edition, probably the first, was printed at Edinburgh for William Dickie, Glasgow, in 1695.

to remove at Whitsunday nixt, and that it is resolved that the saids lands of Petershill, with the Loch to be sett therewith, as also that the said lands of Westercommon be sett, for two nyntein yeirs, to sufficient tennents who shall bidd most therefore att a publick roup, therefore the saids magistrates and town councell doe heirby appoint that the same be roupd publickly within the tolbooth of this burgh the first Tuesday of May nixt, being the fyfth day therof, betwixt ten and twelve of the clock in the forenoon, and appoints the magistrates, dean of gild [and] deacon conveyener to draw up the termes of the said roup, and to cause merch and meith so much of the said loch as they think fitt to be sett with Petershill, and which the tacksmen are to have power to drain or make use off at their pleasure dureing the tack; as also appoints publick intimatione to be given of the said roup upon Wednesday nixt, be tuck of drum through the town as use is.

21 April 1696.

Bond of  
association  
subscrivit.

The magistrates and town councell have subscriyved the bond of association lately subscriyved be the lords of his Majesties privie councell, by his Majesties special allowance.

James  
Hamiltoun,  
burgess and  
gildbrother.

Ordains the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt James Hamiltoun, wryter in Edinburgh, the towns agent there, burgess and gildbrother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed, for good service done be him to the town.

25 April 1696.

Liverers and  
loaders att  
Greinock and  
Carsdyck to  
be persewed.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that severall merchants, burgesses of this burgh, contrair to the lawes and acts of parliament of this kingdom made in favouris of royal burrows, and to acts of the convention of the royal burghs, acts of the town councell of this burgh, and to ane obligation subscriyved be the greatest pairt of the tradeing merchants of this burgh, doe liver and load their ships and other veshells at Greinock and Carsdykes, and not att the towns free port of Port Glasgow, therefore the saids magistrates and councell doe heirby impower and appoint the magistrates [and others] to call before them the saids transgressours and enquire in the saids

practises, and thereftir give in to the clerk ane information, to the effect he may draw up ane lybell against them, in order to persute against them before the town counsell.

The magistrates and town counsell, takeing to consideration the many complaints made to them that the inhabitants of this burgh, and of Portglasgow, doe make use of different measures, doe therefore appoint the dean of gild and his bretheren to make a pynt, a chopin, a mutchkine, ane half mutchkine and a gill stoups, suteable and agreeable to the standarts formerly appointed and settled in this burgh, as also to seek for ane of the ladles used in this burgh, and that they lay up the saids stoups and ladle in some safe and secure place, to the effect that the same may remain for standarts in tyme comeing.

Approves of the thesaurers payment to Thomas Maxwell, merchant, of ten pounds Scots, for his paines and expenssis in going to Paisley and other places, att the magistrates desyre, to search eftir Major Meinzie, eftir his committing the murder of Mr. Robert Park.

The magistrates and town counsell, takeing to consideration that it is agreed upon be the comittee of the company of Scotland tradeing to Africa and the Indies (mett at Edinburgh the thretteinth of this instant) that the direction and government of the said company shall be and remain in a court of fiftie directors, wherof twentie fyve are to be made and chosen be majoritie of votes of the subscryvers, be scroll and scrutinie upon Thuresday the seventh of May nixt, theirfore the saids magistrates and counsell (for their interest in the stock and trade of the said company) doe heirby give full power and commission to John Andersone, provest of this burgh, aither to give in to the said meeting of the said company, day and place forsaid, the names of twentie fyve persons, members therof, to be directors as said is, or otherwayes (and in the option of the said John Andersone) to make and grant ane power and deputation to such person or persons as he shall think fitt to the effect above specifit.

16 May 1696.

The magistrates and town council ordain the dewties and impositions laid on be former acts of this town counsell, with consent therin specifit, upon veshells, boats and goods att Broomielaw, and upon carters and

Brooniellaw  
and from  
carters to be  
rouped.

their carts, in maner specifeit in the saids acts, to be roused within the Old Grein of this burgh, the first Tuesday of June nixt, att the ordinary tyme of rouns there, in order to a tack therof to be granted be the town counsell to those who shall bid most therfore of rent att the said rousing, for the space of ane year thereftir, and appoints the magistrates, dean of gild and deacon convener to draw up the termes of the said roup, and the magistrates to make usuall publication of the said roup.

Tack sub-  
scriyvit to  
Thomas  
Broun of the  
towns walk-  
miln.

The magistrates and town counsell have subscriyved ane tack to Thomas Broun, litster, his airs and assigneys, of the towns walkmiln upon the water of Kelvin, for the space of nyntein yeirs eftir Whitsunday last, in this instant year, wherby he is to be free att the end of the first nyne years, and he is to pay ane hundreth merks of yearly rent, and to make, keep and leave the miln in sufficient repair, and he is to have the first years rent down upon consideration of the saids reparations, as the tack containing other claussis more fullie bears.

Commission,  
African and  
Indian trade.

The magistrates and town counsell doe heirby nominate and appoint John Andersone of Dowhill, provest of the said burgh, to represent them for their interest in the stock of the company of Scotland tradeing to Africa and the Indies, as a member of the grand counsell of the said company.

30 May 1696.

Tack to  
Andrew Scott  
of lands of  
Wester-  
common.

The magistrates and town counsell have subscriyved a tack for two nyntein years, the year and cropt j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie seven being the first, in favouris of Andrew Scott, merchant, and his airs, . . . of the towns lands of Westercommon, presently possesst be James Scott, and as it is meithed and merched in maner specifeit in the tack, for the yearly payment of two hundreth and six merks as the rent therof. . . . And

Liberty of  
stone  
quarries.

this tack contains a libertie of stone quarries and other claussis and conditions as the tack bears, and notwithstanding the bounding mentions that the merch runs alongst be the north syde of the towns quarrie called Reid Moss quarrie, and so alongst the west syde of the said merch, be the high way that leads frae the town of Glasgow to Garscube, and so alongst that high way untill ye come to the northwest end of the merch of the saids land, yet nevertheless the warrandice contained in the said tack is nowayes to be extend'ed to a peice of ground (which is within the



said bounding) taken in and possesst be John Campbell, and to which he hes no right, but the tacksman shall have libertie and give band to sute and persew by all legal diligence for the possession of the said peice of ground, upon his and his forsaisds their own expenssis.

The magistrates and town councell have subscryved a tack for two nyntein years, the first year being the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie seven, in favouris of Robert Dinwiddie, merchant, of the towns lands of Petershill, possesst be John Gillies, with the loch on the south syde therof, as the same is now merched and marked out upon the west end and south syde of the loch, with libertie to drain the loch and use stone quarries. The yearly rent is four hundreth merks [and the tack] contains diverse other clausses; and in respect he is presently about the draining of the loch, allowes him to make his stank and goat for that effect from the said loch through the saids lands, he satisfieing the said John Gillies for the skaith for the cropt.

Tack to  
Robert  
Dinwiddie of  
the lands of  
Petershill.

Appoints the clerk to send for letters upon the att of parliament anent rebuilding of ruinous housses within burgh, and cause execute the samine against the heretors of such housses as are ruinous within this burgh, and see what executions the late thesaurer hath upon letters formerly raised to that effect.

Letters  
against heri-  
tors of ruinous  
lands.

The magistrates and town councell conveened, they in answer to a petition given in to them be James Robertsons, carter, doe promise to grant to him a fewright of ten foot of ground of breadth att the west syde of his house, in that pairt of the Bridgegate called Goosedubs, and the south wherof to be corresponding to the length of his house as it now stands, upon his payment of six shilling and eight pennies of yearly fewdewtie, and upon his being bound to take down his said house which now stands crosse with the gavell towards the Bridgegate and to build up a new house upon the ground therof and upon the said ten foot fronting to the high street of the Bridegate, and the house to be of sufficient stone work, with a sklait ruife, of the hight of two storie and a garrett, and for the said James his encouragement ordains the thesaurer to pay to him sixtie pounds Scots when the building is first joist heigh, with this condition that if the houses and building be not compleited within ane year and ane half eftir the date heiroy that this present act shall be null and of none effect.

Act in  
favouris of  
James  
Robertsons.

2 June 1696.

Common good set. [Mills, 9,200 merks; ladles, 5,600 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 820 merks; tron, 800 merks; bridge, 2,010 merks.]

8 June 1696.

Report of  
agreement  
with fewars of  
Portglasgow  
anent a  
minister.

The magistrates and town counsell convened, the provest reported that he [and others] had, according to the counsell's appointment, bein att Portglasgow, and that they had entered in ane minute of agreement in wryte with George Lyon [and six others], fewars there, wherby the provest and others forsaid with him have oblidged themselves that the town counsell shall extract a decret before the commissioners for plantation of kirks, etc., anent erecting the said port in a paroch, and concurr for a minister and give securitie for fiftie pounds sterling of yearly stipend and a house to the minister, and on the other pairt the saids fewars are bound conjunctly and severally that they and others, the fewars there, shall give securitie for payment of the half of the said stipend, they haveing allowance to putt up seats in the meeting house and gett the rents and profite therof; which minut of agreement, containing some other conditions and obleisments, being read in counsell, the counsell approves therof and obleises them and successouris in office to stand and abyd thereat and fulfill the same.<sup>1</sup>

Tack to  
Patrick  
Steven of the  
towns interest  
in Port-  
glasgow.

The magistrates and town counsell have subscryved a tack betwixt them and Patrick Steven, maltman, wherby they sett to him, his airs and assigneys, for the space of three years eftir Whitsunday last, the yearly rent of the towns great lodgeing in Portglasgow (with the burden of the tack therof lately sett to Thomas Shiells for the said space, and hail clausses and reservations therof, and of ane act of counsell in his favouris anent the grasse of the towns voyd ground there), and also of the towns other houses there, except the custome house, and of the towns cellars, girnells and dewes lately established upon ships, boats and veshells repairing to the said port and harbour there, more particularly expressed in the said tack, and with and under the burdens, provisions, restrictions and conditions therin specifeit, for the yearly rent of three thousand merks payable be the said Patrick and his cautioners, att the termes

<sup>1</sup> See Glasg. Chart., II., p. 416, Nos. 972, 976.

specifeit in the tack. This tack contains also a condition that in caise, be increase of trade, the councell thinks fitt to sett the towns houssis att the eist end of Greinock, called the Royall Closse, that the said Patrick shall be preferred therto for twentie fyve pounds sterling of yearly rent dureing the tack, and that also upon particular conditions and restrictions specifeit in the said tack.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Patrick Stewart, schoolmaster of Warrand, Portglasgow, twelve pundis Scots for his encouragement, frae Whitsunday <sup>thesaurer.</sup> last to Whitsunday next.

The magistrates and town councell appoints Robert Littlejohn, sone to Littlejohn William Littlejohn, burges of this burgh, to be ane of the towns drummers, <sup>ane of the</sup> <sup>touns drum-</sup> dureing the councells pleasure, and that in place of (*blank*) Wilsone, laid mers. asyde.

27 June 1696.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration Provision for that the lords and others of the commission for plantation of kirks and a minister at valuation of teyndis were pleased to grant erection of ane kirk at Newport Portglasgow. Glasgow, upon the conditions following, to witt, that the magistrates and town councell shall be oblidge to provyd the minister to serve the cure att the said kirk to be erected to a stipend of eight hundreth merks att leist, and that the teyndis, personage and vicarage, of the paroch of Kilmalcome, or any pairt therof, shall not be burdened in any tyme comeing with the provision of the said minister or his successouris, or any pairt therof, and that they enact themselves in the books of the commission and find sufficient caution for that effect, and that thereftir upon a supplication given in be them to their lordships and upon the judiccial consent of the procurators of the heritors of the said paroch of Kilmacolme, they had dispensed with that clause of the interloquitur of finding caution, the magistrates and town councell giveing in to their lordships ane act of the town councell, under their clerks hand, and giveing bond, both to be recorded in the books of the said commission, therfore and in obedience to the said interloquitur the saids magistrates and town councell have subscriyved a bond, oblidgeing them and successouris in office to make dew and thankfull payment to the minister who shall be settled att the kirk forsaid, and his successouris, of a stipend of eight hundreth merks

att leist, and that the teynds, personage and viccarage, of the paroch of Kilmalcome, or any pairt therof, shall not be burdened in any tyme comeing with the provision of the saids ministers, or any share therof, and that under the paine of fyve hundreth merks, attour performance of the premissis. As also the saids magistrates and counsell doe recomend to the provest to delyver or transmitt to the clerk of the said commission the said bond, to be registrat in the records therof, as also to transmitt to the said clerk ane extract of this present act, under the clerk of this burgh his hand, lykeways to be recorded in the saids books.<sup>1</sup>

Bond to be  
subscriyved be  
the baxters.

The magistrates and town counsell, takeing to consideration that James Crawford, James Muirhead [and eleven others], baxters of Glasgow, were imprissoned be the provest upon the accompt of makeing insufficient bread, and for not furnishing the mercat as formerly they used to doe, and having kepted them in prisson ay and whill everie ane of them should give band, binding and oblidging them to make good and sufficient bread, such as the bakers of Edinburgh doe, and that at the sight of the magistrates of Glasgow, and that they should furnish the town mercats with the same as they had been in use formerly, and that under the pain of ane hundreth pounds *toties quoties*, which band they refused to grant, but made a representation to the town counsell for their liberation, wherupon the town counsell did ratifie and approve what the provest had done, with this alteration only that it should be under the penaltie of fiftie pound, and ordained them to ly in prisson ay and whill they granted bonds of the forsaid tenor, with the alteration forsaid, yet notwithstanding through some mistake some of the baillies have sett the saids persons at libertie without takeing the bonds in the termes forsaid, therefore the saids magistrates and town counsell appoint and ordain that the haill fore-named persons shall be sent for be baillie Rodgers, or any other of the magistrates, and secured in prisson ay and whill they give bonds in the termes following, which were agreed upon and condescended to betwixt the provest and John Spreull, wryter in Edinburgh, the baxters agent, viz., that ilk ane of them be bound to make good and sufficient bread, such as the bakers of Edinburgh doe, and that att the sight of the magistrates of Glasgow and the deacon of the baxters for the tyme, and

<sup>1</sup> See Glasgow Charters, II., pp. 264-6.

that they shall furnish the town and mercats therewith as they have bein in use to doe formerly, and that under the pain of fiftie pounds Scots *toties quoties*.

4 July 1696.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to consideration that George Lyon, last baillie of Portglasgow, cannot now attend to exercise the said office, therefore they heirby nominate, appoint and constitut John <sup>Crawfurd, baillie of Port-</sup> ~~John~~ <sup>glasgow.</sup> ~~glasgow.~~ Crawfurd, late baillie of Glasgow, now residenter in Portglasgow, to be their baillie there, with power to him to exercise the said office and doe all things needfull and suteable belonging therto, and that dureing their pleasure allenarly; as also impowers him to elect his own clerk, officer, and other members of court, and these to continue also dureing the councells pleasure allenarly, and which shall inferr no preparative for the lyke power heireftir.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to the provest [£95 18s.] as his expenssis <sup>Warrant, thesaurer for</sup> ~~the provest.~~ at Edinburgh nyntein dayes in June last, in attending the towns affairs there about the erection of Port Glasgow in a paroch, and other affairs; as also [£89 16s. 10d.] depursed be him in going with Mr. Patersone<sup>1</sup> to view the river of Clyd, and for considering what place may be fittest to be appointed for the ships belonging to the Indian Company, and expenssis in takeing down the house lately possessed be Mathew Cuming. . . . As also appoints the master of wark to pay the horse hyres to Dumbartane.

The magistrates and town councell caused read in their presence a Sentence lybell raised at the instance of Charles Stewart, procurator fiscall, against Alexander Thomsone, baxter and burges of the burgh of Glasgow, for <sup>against Alexander Thomsone.</sup> ~~Thomsone.~~ utering many vyle and ignominious words against and insolent carriaage and behaviour towards the provest, upon the said Alexander his being incarcerate within the tolbooth of the said burgh, for not giveing bond to make sufficient bread, conforme to the town councell their former act, dated the twentie seventh day of June last, as in the said lybell more specially and fullie is expressed; and Robert Rodgers, ane of the baillies, being presis in councell in the mater forsaid, the said Alexander Thomsone

<sup>1</sup> This was apparently William Paterson, of the Darien expedition. founder of the Bank of England and projector

compeared and in presence of the magistrates and town counsell he judicially confessed and acknowledged the haill words, expressions and insolent carriage forsaid, specially contained in the said lybell, and subscriyved his said confession with his hand judicially as said is; which lybell and confession forsaid being considered be the saids magistrates and town counsell they heirby amerciate and fyne the said Alexander Thomsone in the soume of fyve hundreth merks Scots money, to be payed to the said fiscall, and declares him to have no priveledge of a burges or gildbrother of this burgh in tyme comeing, and appoints the baillies or any ane of them to bring the said Alexander Thomsone to the head of the tolbooth stair (where publict proclamations uses to be made) upon Munday nixt, being the sixth instant, att eleven of the clock in the forenoon, and there to stand till twelve of the clock, with his head uncovered and a paper affixed on his brow containing the words following writtin thereon, viz., he stands here for vyle and ignominious words against the provest. As also, appoints the saids baillies to cause his burges ticket (now given in be him in counsell) to be torn and cancelled be tuck of drum, upon the place and att the tyme forsaid, and get bond and sufficient caution from him to leave this burgh and not to return therinto, and appoints him to ly in waired untill the said sentence be satisfied and fulfilled, and farder declares and ordains that if any person or persons baik or trade for him or with him, in tyme comeing, they shall be prosecute and punished as packers or peilers with unfreemen, and as to the said fyne allowes the magistrates to take bond therefore.

18 *July* 1696.

John Bryson  
stentmaster  
in place of  
John Penman.

The magistrates and town counsell, takeing to consideration that John Penman, ane of the stentmasters of the merchants rank, chosen be ane former act dated the fourth of July instant, is only ane honorarie and gratis burges, and not sworn as other burgesses are, and that therefore his being a stentmaster is objected against be many of the inhabitants, doe therefore appoint and nominat John Brysoun, younger, merchant, to be ane of the stentmasters in place of the said John Penman.

The bridge.

Appoints the dean of gild to sight and take consideration of the defects of the bridge and cause repair the same.

*25 July 1696.*

[The magistrates and council granted feu rights to (1) George Nisbitt, deacon <sup>Peices of</sup> convener of a "piece of waste ground at the Goosedubbs, lyand upon the north <sup>ground,</sup> end of John Watsones land, fronting to the street in the Stockwellgate, being <sup>Stockwell and</sup> fyftie foot in length in front," for payment of 40 s. Scots of yearly feuduty; and (2) George Muir, mason, of "that peice of waste ground att Goosedubbs, consisting of 33 foot of length in front, fronting to the Stockwell Gate, upon the north end of that peice of ground fewed to George Nisbitt, and is 45 foot of breadth from the forefront in Stockwell Gate backward to that peice of ground fewed to the said George Nisbitt, att which place, being the eistmost pairt of the said ground, is south and north 29 foot, and which back ground is att the north end of John Airds stable, allowing alwayes a street on the north syde of twentie foot breadth and weydnies, as the same is now meithed,<sup>1</sup> for which hail ground he is to pay two merks of yearly fewdewtie."]

*22 August 1696.*

[The magistrates and council feued to James Ramsay, wright, "a peice waste <sup>Act in</sup> ground in that pairt of Bridgegate called Goosedubbs, consisting of 20 foot of <sup>favouris of</sup> length south and north and of 24 foot of breadth eist and west, and is bounded <sup>James</sup> be the ground fewed to George Nisbitt on the west the back street on the north, <sup>Ramsay,</sup> the weynd leading frae the Bridgegate to baillie Millers land on the eist, and <sup>Goosedubbs.</sup> bounded twelve foots of the gavell of John Aird, younger, his newhouse there upon the south pairts." Feuduty, 6 s. 8 d. yearly.]

Appoints the master of wark to pay to Walter Thermes, workman, <sup>Warrant,</sup> and Mary Reid, spoussis, ane years aliment for mentainance of ane of their <sup>master of</sup> three children, lately born at one birth, att ten pounds quarterly, in respect <sup>wark.</sup> of the parents povertie and the present dearth.

*29 August 1696.*

Ordains the thesaurer to make payment to David Weir, hammerman, <sup>Warrant,</sup> of twentie four pounds Scots for his changeing of the chimns of the <sup>thesaurer.</sup> musick bells so as to ring before the hours while as formerly they did ring eftir the hours.

*31 August 1696.*

The dean of gild and deacon conveyener reported that they had agreed <sup>Warrant,</sup> with James Mudie, messour, that he should have twentie pounds Scots <sup>thesaurer.</sup> for taking up a list of the hail ruinous and burnt lands within this burgh,

<sup>1</sup> The street here referred to appears to be the present Goosedubs Street. See Glasgow Records, III., p. 141.

and of the heritors names therof, and obtaining executions of the letters att the instance of the magistrates against the heretors for building, conforme to the act of parliament.

Ratifieing and  
act against  
the peuth-  
therers.

The magistrates and town councell conveened, the dean of gild produced in their presence ane act made be the said dean of gild and his bretheren of councell, dated the twentie seventh of August instant, anent the peutherers of this burgh and stoups to be made and sold be them, and desyred that the saids magistrates and town councell might ratifie and approve the samine and interpone their authoritie therto, off the which act the tenor followes:—Att Glasgow the twentie seventh day of August j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie six years. The dean of gild and bretheren of councell, takeing to their consideratione that their are complaints made be diverse of the inhabitants that many of the measures of stoups, viz., of pynt, choppin and other stoups of lesser measure, bought be them from the peutherers of this burgh, are not conforme to the standart, wherby the inhabitants are prejudged, the stoups that are not conforme to the standart being ofttimes broken be the dean of gild and bretheren, which is all through the peutherers their default, therefore the dean of gild and his bretheren doe heirby statute and appoint that the hail peutherers in this burgh shall heireftir sell no stoups to the inhabitants but such as shall be agreeable and conforme to the standart forsaid, and marked with the makers own mark and year 1696; with certification if they, or any of them, doe in the contrair, that they shall not only be fyned and punished at the will of the dean of gild and bretheren bot also made lyable in the losse and damage that the inhabitants, or any of them, shall sustain through the measures not being conforme to the said standart; and recomends to the dean of gild to obtain this present act ratified be the town councell, and their authoritie to be interponed therto. Which act abovewrittin being read in presence of the saids magistrates and town councell and considered be them, they ratified and approved of the samine, hail tenor and contents therof, and interponed their authoritie therto, and ordains the samine to be insert in the councell book of this burgh.

Archibald  
Murthland,  
clerk deput.

The magistrates and town councell impowers James M'Bryd, clerk, to appoint Archibald Murthland, his servant, to be his deput in the office



of town clerkship of this burgh, for fourtein or twentie dayes and untill his return, in respect he is to be necessarily absent about his lawfull affairs for the said space.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that it being agreed betwixt the councell of this burgh and the three hospitalls eftirspecifeit, viz., the Merchants, Trades and Hutchesones Hospitalls, that the lands of Ramshorne and Meadowflatt should be purchased from Ninian Hill of Lambhill, att the pryce of twentie thousand three hundreth merks, to have been payed att Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie four years, and that the rights should be conveyed in the person of the magistrats and councell, and that the saids three hospitall should pay equally and proportionally the said pryce, and that thereftir the said town councell should aither denude themselves be fewrights of the saids lands in favouris of the saids three hospitalls proportionable, or else refund to them the pryce forsaid, and that the councell, in caise they should denude themselves as said is, should retain the superioritie in their own hands and burden the saids fewrights with such provisions and conditions as might be thought fitt, to prevent the improveing of the saids lands heireftir to the prejudice of this burgh; as also that the saids lands being purchased and the pryce payed as said is, the magistrates and town councell are oblidgeid aither to denude themselves as said is or repay the said soume, with the annualrents frae the said terme of Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie four years, as in two severall former acts of the town councell of this burgh, ane therof dated the twelfth and the other therof the nyntein dayes of May j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie four years, att more length is contained; and sicklyke that the Merchants and Trades Hospitalls had quatt their interests in the saids lands in favouris of the town councell, to the effect they may denude themselves therof in favouris of Hutchesones Hospitall, they haveing their two third pairts of the said pryce and annualrents forsaid therof refunded, conforme to ane act of each house, that of the Merchants house being dated the tenth and that of the Trades house being dated the eleventh of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie fyve years, and in lykemaner the magistrates and town councell, patrons of Hutchesones Hospitall, with three of the ministers of the said burgh, haveing convened in the said

Dispositione  
subscrivit of  
Ramshorne in  
favouris of  
Hutchesones  
Hospitall.

Hospitall upon the nyynth of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie fyve years, they had found that the condition of the said Hospitall wes such that they might purchase the saids lands and free the Hospitall of the burden to be contracted therby within some few years, therfore, and in respect the saids lands formerly pertained to umquhill George and Mr. Thomas Hutchesones they unanimously agreed to the said purchase and appointed Mathew Cuming, preceptor of the said Hospitall, to make payment to the saids two other hospitalls of their saids two third pairts and annual-rents therof forsaid, with what expensses the town hes payed in expeding the rights in their name and confirming the samine under the great seall, as also agreed that the yearly fewdewtie to be contained in the fewright to be granted be the town councell to the said Hospitall should be four pounds money forsaid, as ane act of the said Hospitall house more fullie bears; therfore the saids magistrates and town councell have now sub-scryved ane fewright and disposition in favouris of the said Hutchesones Hospitall of the saids lands, burdened with the said fewdewtie and with and under the other express burdens and provisions eftirspecifeit, viz., that it shall not be leisum nor in the power of the magistrates and town councell of the said burgh, patrons of the said Hospitall, nor the preceptors therof, in all tyme heireftir, to build any dwelling houses nor other buildings or houses whatsoever, nor make any yairds upon the ground of the saids lands, or any pairt or portion therof, without the speciall licience of the magistrates and councell of this burgh, and their successouris in office, first had and obtained therto in wryte, and which liciencies if granted shall only be upon the speciall burdens and provisions eftirspecifeit, viz., that the saids housses, buildings and yairds shall only be possest be burgesses and freemen of the burgh of Glasgow, who shall be subject and lyable to bear scatt and lott and other burdens with the said burgh, and to pay stents and other burdens with the rest of the burgesses, inhabitants; as also the saids magistrates and councell ordains the said preceptor to pay to the thesaurer three hundreth and twentie six pounds fourtein shillings, Scots money, as the expensses depursed be the town for expeding the signature of the saids lands in exchequer, passeing the same through the sealls, and for a transumpt of the old wrytes and for registrating the disposition be Lambhill to the

town and registrating the seasin in favouris of the town, and for cess and publick burden payed out be the town for the saids lands, and the thesaurer to charge himself therwith in his accompts. <sup>1</sup>

*5 September 1696.*

The magistrates and town councell being conveyened, the provest <sup>Transactione</sup> represented that John Somervail of Spittell, shireff deput of Lanerk, <sup>with the shireff deput of Lanrick.</sup> had taken decreets against the town for ane hundreth and fiftie pounds, yearly, for not compearance att the head courts of the shire for their lands of Provand and others within the shire of Lanerk, for severall years bygain, albeit the town be not lyable to compear att the saids courts, and had given the town a charge of horning for the samine, which they have suspended, and being convinced that the town would not be lyable in law; and the town, upon the other hand, for preventing what expenssis and charges that it might coast them in reduceing the said decreet, they have given him ane hundreth merks, and eight dollars to his clerk, for which he hes given the town a discharge of all fynes and amerciaments the tyme he wes deput of the said shire, declareing that the said discharge should not inferr any obligation on the town to compear at the saids courts att any time heireftir, but that they may declare themselves free therof as law will; which soumes the thesaurer hes payed. And which report the councell approves of, and ordains the thesaurer to retain the said soume in his own hands, and it is the opinion of the councell that a declarator of freedom and exemption from compearance att the saids courts be persewed att the towns instance.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideratione <sup>Anent light</sup> that the towns collectors of the twa pennies on the pynt have a number <sup>cobbs and clipped</sup> of light cobbs and other clipped light money which is not passable, and <sup>money in the collectors hands.</sup> which was collected be them the tyme of the passeing therof, therefore the councell allowes John Craig and James Slosse, merchants, receavers frae the collectors of the said two pennies on the pynt, to receive the saids cobbs from the saids collectors in pairt of payment of what they rest, they giveing their oath that the same is the money collected be them and that

<sup>1</sup> The Disposition by the Magistrates and Glasgow Charters, II., pp. 267-73. Council to Hutchesons' Hospital is printed in

it was receaved be them the space of twentie dayes before the date heirof (att which tyme they were discharged to take any of the said light money); and discharges the clerks to receave any such money in payments in tyme comeing.

Warrant,  
master of  
wark.

Ordains the master of wark to pay to John Dunlop, a poor scholar, six pounds Scots to help to buy him a coat.

Warrant,  
master of  
wark.

Ordains the master of wark to give to baillie Aird, elder, six pounds Scots for the use of John Whyte, a poor lad who hes a leg cutt from him.

*7 September 1696.*

Ane eldership  
and minister  
to be settled in  
Portglasgow.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration that they haveing obtained a decreet of erection before the commissioners for plantation of kirks and valuation of teynds, erecting Portglasgow and the bay of Newark and other lands contained in the said decreet in ane new paroch, being now disjoyned from the paroch of Kilmalcome, and in order to the settleing therof their is a necessity for choyseing ane eldership for the said paroch, that therby they may furthwith proceed to the calling of a minister therto, therefore they have nominate and appointed James Peadie, late provest, John Aird, dean of gild, George Nisbitt, deacon conveyener, to repair to Portglasgow, upon Saturday nixt at fardest, to represent the magistrates and town councell of Glasgow in settleing and establishing ane eldership in the said paroch, and to subscribe and consent to a call in their names to Mr. James Hutchesone, present minister att Killellan, and from tyme to tyme to doe all other things needfull and convenient anent the settleing and establishing of ane eldership and minister in the said paroch of Portglasgow whilk the saids magistrates and councell might doe themselves, and wheratt they oblige them to stand firm and stable.

*5 October 1696.*

Nolt and  
sheep to be  
free of cus-  
tome in the  
townsmercats  
for fyve years.

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration the advantage and conveniencie that might accrese to this burgh and inhabitants thereof, as also to these places of the countrey adjacent, by haveing their weekly mercats of Wednesday and Friday frequented with nolt and sheep, als well for milk as slaughter, to be sold therat, therefore (and for encouragement of all persons who shall bring such cattell to be

exposed to sale at the saids weekly mercats) the saids magistrates and councell heirby statutes and declares that all nolt and sheep which shall be brought to the said weekly mercats shall be free of all custome, for the space of fyve years heireftir, and appoints the place of the keeping of the said mercat to be att or about the West Port of this burgh, and recomends to the magistrates and their successors in office to cause make publicatione heiroy at the mercat crosse of this burgh, and through the haille burgh, be tuck of drum as use is, and that on such mercat dayes and such other tymes and as frequently as they think fitt, and to use all other expedient means for effectuating the said design.

[The magistrates and counoil subscribed to Archibald Hamiltoun, maltman, Miln upon "ane tack of the milnership of the towns miln upon Kelvin, called the Newmilne, Kelvin. formerly possesst be George Hutchesone, for nyntein years eftir Whitsunday last, by which the said Archibald grants the recept of the miln, houssis, kiln and pertinents in a good caise."]

The magistrates and town councell, takeing to their consideration Money to be that the directors of the African and Indian company are willing to lend borrowed frae the out to these who are members of the said company two third pairts of Affrican and Indian Com- the proportion of the stock payed in be the saids members, for three panie. moneth, att four per cent., doe therfore resolve to borrow frae the said company fyve hundreth pounds sterling, to be employed (with what other money the town can provyd) for payment of their debt att Martimes nixt.

Ordains the thesaurer to pay to Archibald Murthland, the clerks Warrant, servant, ane hundreth merks Scots, for his great pains on wryteing of thesaurer. the inventar of the towns wrytes, first in scrolls and nixt in a book,<sup>1</sup> att the dictating of the clerk who made and formed the same, and this but prejudice of the act against a sallarie to servants in the clerks chamber, but done now because the pains are great and the thing extraordinary.

6 October 1696.

[John Andersone, provost; John Aird, elder, Mathew Cuming, younger, for Election of the merchant rank, and George Nisbitt, for the crafts rank, bailies.] provost and bailies.

9 October 1696.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen Town coun- to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be cillors chosen. councillors for the ensuing year.]

<sup>1</sup> This book is now No. I. of Inventories of Title Deeds belonging to the city.

14 *October* 1696.

Dean of guild,  
etc. [John Aird, younger, dean of guild; Simon Tennent, deacon convener; Robert Dickie, treasurer; John Gibson, bailie of Gorbals; Thomas Pollock, water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; William Cumming, visitor of maltmen; Patrick Tennent, visitor of the gardeners.]

24 *October* 1696.

Bread, tallow,  
candle. [12 d. loaf to weigh 8 oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 57 s. the stone; and candle 3 pounds 4 s. the stone.]

31 *October* 1696.

Mr. John  
Colquhoun  
to be called to  
this tounne. The magistrates and towne counsell doe consent to a call to be given to master John Colquhoun, minister of Cathcart, to be minister of the south quarter, and that the counsell convene to subscribe the same when the provest thinks fitt to call their meitting to that effect.<sup>1</sup>

Weights to be  
made for  
meall. The magistrates and tounne counsell convened, considering that be act of parliament all meall is to be sold be weight, after the first day of January nixt, doe therefore recomend to the magistrates, dean of gild and deacon conveneer, to think upon all fitt methods for makeing the said act effectuell within this burgh, and report.

7 *November* 1696.

Dues of coalls  
at Broomielaw. The magistrates and tounne counsell, takeing to their consideration that at the appoynting and establishing the dueties and impositions of goods and others payable at Broomielaw, as is specified in a former act, dated the second day of December last, it is not specified nor expressed thereby what quantity of coalls shall make up a tun (as the tuns of other goods are constitute and distinguished), therefore and for supplieing of that omission and defect, they hereby ordaine and appoynt that twenty hutches<sup>2</sup> of coalls shall be reckoned for a tun, and allow and authorize the present tacksman to uplift the dueties of the saids coalls accordingly, not only in tyme comeing, dureing their right thereto be the last roup thereof, but also the bygones to which they had right according to the said roupe.

<sup>1</sup> The call was subscribed on 3rd November.

A measure of coals, &c. The hutch is two Winchester bushels" (Jamieson's Scottish Dictionary).

<sup>2</sup> "Hutch.—(1) The kind of basket in which coals are brought from the mine. (2)

The magistrates and toune counsell doe heirby appoynt and com-  
missionat John Anderson of Dowhill, provest, to attend the presbitrie of Paislay, in farder prosecutione of the call from the new erected paroch of Portglasgow to master James Hutchison, minister of Killellan . . . and recomends to master James Broune, ane of the ministers of this burgh, that he would goe alongs with the provest and give his assistance in the said affair.

The provest  
to attend the  
presbitry of  
Paislay.

Ordains the late thesaurer to pay to John Whyte, son to umquhill Malcome Whyte, fyve rex dollers, towards the helping of him to satisfie John Boyd, chirurgen, for cutting off the said John Whyte his leg and furnishing drogs thereto for cureing of the samen.

Warrant, late  
thesaurer.

10 November 1696.

The dean of gild reported that, in regaird the calsie of the Stockwall-  
gate Street, downeward from the house above the well, belonging to John Smith, to the syer near the bridge, or therby, was become very ruinous and broken, and stood in need not only of calsieing but of levelling of the said street, that therefor he had aggried with Robert Leitch, younger, calsier, for compleiting the said work, and for furnishing stones and sand and other matherialls thereunto, at the sight of the dean of gild; the pryce ten merks for each rude. Which report and agreement abovewritten the counsell hereby approves.

Warrant,  
dean of gild.

14 November 1696.

The magistrates and toune counsell convened, the provest reported that he had spoken with John Miller, collector for the seatt money of the churches, and desyred to know of him the reason whey he did not give a better accompt of his uplifting of and dilligence for the seatt money, and the answeare he gave was that the greatest part of the possessors denyed payment, because Peter Corbett had not payed for his seatt these severall years bygone, wherupon the said Peter Corbett, sitting at the counsell table as one of their number, was enquired what was the reason he payed not for his seatt, who answeared that he would pay non of his seatt rent that he was in possession of untill he was restored to a seatt which was taken from him some years agoe in the Laigh Church, and being oftentimes desyred to pay his seatt rent, to be a good example to

Act against  
Peter  
Corbett,  
seatt money.

others, and not to obstruct the uplifting of the seatt rents, he answered in presence of the counsell severall tymes, in a stubborne and haughtie manner, that he would not pay it, which (with his insolent and contemptuous carriage) being considered be the magistrates and counsell they discerned him to pay to the said collector the soume of (*blank*) Scots money, which is resting owing be him for his hail bygone seatt rents preceeding the first of September last, and that betwixt and Saturday the twentieth ane instant, and upon that day to sist himselfe before the toun counsell to give satisfaction to them for his unsuteable carriage and misdemaner forsaide.

Warrand,  
Andrew  
Whyte.

Ordains the late thesaurer to pay to Andrew Whyte, smith [£21 16s.] Scots for iron and iron work furnished and wrought be him towards the altering of the chimes of the musick bells, for their ringing before the hours, and for his owne attendance.

Warrand,  
Robert Scott.

The magistrates and toun counsell, considering that Robert Scott, horse hyrer, was pressed to lend his horse to a souldier of Collonell M'Kyes regiment, and that the horse was ridden to death, and that the said Robert hes gott nothing for pryce or hyre, therefore the counsell ordaines the late thesaurer to pay to him threttie six pounds Scotts upon the account forsaide, with this condition that if he gett satisfaction otherways that he shall be obleidged to repay the said soume.

21 November 1696.

Stent masters  
instructiones.

[The magistrates and council directed stentmasters to stent the inhabitants in the sum of £10,800 Scots, "as this tounes proportion of the six months supplie,"<sup>1</sup> with £800 Scots as the charges of collection, making together £11,600; "which soume is to be laid on and proportioned according the rules and instructiones following, viz. :—

"Imprimis, that the stentmasters stent every burges, inhabitant within this burgh (excepting as is after excepted) according to their respective abilities and trades, with a speciall regaird to the persones who have a considerable trades.

"Item, that the stent masters stent non that are widows who are not actual traders or keep change and have not traded since their husbands death.

"Item, they are to stent no writers who have not trade nor keep change.

"Item, they are to stent non who have not traded some tyme befor the present warra began.

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow's proportion of supply was Glasgow Charters, II., p. 414, No. 967. £1800 Scots (£150 sterling) monthly. See



"Item, they are to stent no burgesses who are outintounes burgesses who have not their leiving and dwelling within this burgh.

"Item, in respect the rent of houses is very low in this toune, therefore the magistrates and counsell appoynts the stentmasters to lay upon the vallued rent of houses and lands pertaining to this burgh eight per cent. of each hundreded of vallued rent, according to ane rentall insert in the stent books, and in case the stentmasters doe find be certaine information that any of the saids houses or lands are under or over vallued, or that there are any lands wanting in the said rentall, that the stentmasters rectifie accordingly.

"Item, in respect the common good of this burgh hes suffered much prejudice, be the slow progress of former stentmasters in compleiting of their casta, therefore the magistrates and counsell appoynt that the said stent masters shall lay on the said stent and compleit and delyver up the rolls thereof betwixt and the first day of January nixt to come, under the paine of their being quartered upon.

"And sicklyke, the said magistrates and counsell appoynts Thomas Falconer, writer, to be clerk to the stent masters appoynted for layeing on the said stent."

Appoynts the provest [and six others] to meett with the partners of Rope manu-  
the rope manufactorie lately sett up at the Old Green and to commune<sup>factorie.</sup>  
with them anent a tack to be sett to them of the Old Green, or so much  
thereof as will be sufficient for their accomodatione for the rope work,  
and anent the tack duetie to be payed therefore, and report.

The magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby appoynt and com-  
missionat John Andersone of Dowhill, provest [and three others] to<sup>Warrant to</sup>  
attend the presbitry of Glasgow in prosecutione of the call given be this<sup>prosecute the</sup>  
burgh to Mr. John Colquhoune, minister of Cathcart, and that for the<sup>call to Mr.</sup>  
nixt ensuing dyet of the said presbitry, and thereafter untill the pres-<sup>John</sup>  
bitries determinatione in the said call, as also to insist in prosecution of<sup>Colquhoune.</sup>  
the said call before any other church judicatorie in case any reference  
or appeal shall happen to be made thereunto, and doe all things incumbent  
and needfull thereanent.

The magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby appoynt and com-  
missionat John Anderson of Dowhill, provest [and three others], to attend<sup>Commission</sup>  
the presbitrie of Paislay in farder prosecution of the call from the new<sup>to prosecute</sup>  
erected paroch of Portglasgow to Mr. James Hutchison, minister of the<sup>the call to</sup>  
Gospell at Killellan, (in order to his being settled at Portglasgow) and<sup>Mr. James</sup>  
that for the nixt ensueing dyet of the said presbitrie, and thereafter [as<sup>Hutchison.</sup>  
in the preceeding minute].

The magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby approve of the pay-  
Warrant, late  
thesaurer.

ment made be the late thesaurer of fyftie pounds sterling money to the officers of Collonell Douglasses regement, now in this burgh, as also ordaines the said late thesaurer to make payment to the saids officers of the lyke soume of fyftie pounds sterling money, which tuo soumes being in all ane hundered pounds sterling are payed and to be payed as said is in part of payment of the tounes Mertimesse supplie.

Act against  
Peter  
Corbett.

The magistrates and tounie counsell, takeing to consideration that Peter Corbett hes not compeired before them this day to satisfie and obey their former act, dated the fourteen of this instant, and that thereby he hes given contempt to the counsell, therefore they appoynt the magistrates to cause incarcerate the said Peter and keep him in waired untill he pay his bygone seat rents and engadge to appear before the counsell and crave pardon for his miscarriage; and in case he shall procure a warrand for his liberation, then and in that case appoynts the magistrates to use such courses as may be effectuell for obtaineing payment of the seatt rent forsaid.

5 December 1696.

Act anent the  
partners of  
the rope  
manufactory.

The magistrates and tounie counsell conveened, the provest and others of the committie appoynted to the effect afterspecified, be ane act dated the twentie first of November last, reported that they haveing had a conference with the partners of the rope manufactory specified in the said act, the committie offerred to the saids partners ane tack of the haill Old Green dureing the continuance of the said manufactorie (reserveing to the tounie as much of the said Green, on the eist end thereof, as the tounie counsell should judge needfull for a timber hoofe, which is to be meithed and marked off before the subscribeing the tack), and that for the yearly payment of ten pounds sterling of tackduety; which report being considered be the said magistrates and tounie counsell they appoynt the said committie to offerr, to the choise of the saids partners, that either they become bound to pay the said ten pound sterling of yearly rent, and the tounie to be bound to uphold the dykes about the said Green as formerly they used to doe, or else that the saids partners pay only ane hundered pounds Scotts of yearly rent and they themselves become bound to uphold the said dyke.

Ordaines the thesaurer and his successors in office to make payment to master William Marshall, ane of the doctors of the Grammar School of this burgh (established therein at Whitsunday last), of the soume of ane hundered pounds Scotts, as his yearly sallarie as doctor forsaide; as also of fourtie pounds Scotts as his yearlie sallarie as a precenter. And declaires he is only to continue in the saids respective places and employments dureing the toune counsells pleasure.

19 December 1696.

The magistrates and toune counsell have cancelled a tack of the townes lands of Wester Common for two nynteen years in favours of Andrew Scott, merchant, in manner contained in their former act, dated the threttie day of March last, now in regaird the said Andrew Scott declaires that he offerred at the roupe whereupon the said tack proceeded only for the behoove of William Dunlop and James Bell, merchants, therefore the saids magistrates and toune counsell have subscribed a new tack of the saids lands, for the space forsaide, in favours of the saids James Bell and William Dunlop and of their airs (secludeing executors, assigneys or subtennants without consent of the toune counsell), beginning the entrie to the arrable land at Mertimes last, and to the houses and grass at Whitsunday nixt; the yearly rent is tuo hundered and six merks Scotts, and which lands are bounded in manner specified in the tack, and the tacksmen have subscribed ane back band to the effect specified in the former act anent ane peice of ground now included in the bounding as perteening to the toune, and of which John Cambell of Woodsyde hes taken possession, and which was not contained in the roupe.

The magistrates and toune counsell gives warrand to the dean of gild to agree with the measson to draw up a brace in the back gallrie, on the back of the clerks chamber, to the effect there may be a fire rume there for the use of the magistrates and committie of the counsell as they may have use therefore.

The magistrates and toune counsell conveyed, the provest haveing reported that Leivtenant Collonell Hamilton had obtained ane order and precept from Patrick Dundass of Breistmilne, generall receiver of the vacant stipends, whereof his Majestie is patron, upon this burgh for

payment to him of the last halfe of the stipend of the Barronie paroch, cropt j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie six, which being considdered be the counsell they ordaine the present thesaurer to make payment to the said Lievtennent Collonell of the said halfe years stipend, being four hundered and fyftie pounds Scotts money.

29 December 1696.

Act about  
ordering the  
meall mercatt  
in selling be  
weight.

The provest, baillies and toune counsell, takeing to their consideration that the estates of parliament, be their late act dated the twentie fyfth day of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie six years, have statute and ordained that after the first day of January nixt all sorts of meall, bought and sold within this kingdome, shall be sold and delyvered by weight, at eight stone trois weight, in place of the boll of Lithgow measure, under the paine of confiscation of all meall sold otherwayes then is thereby appoynted as said is and inprisonment of the seller thereof for a week *toties quoties*; by which act it is declaired that the meall so confiscatt shall imediately belong to the informer, as the said act requyreing all judges ordinary to putt the same to execution and reviving and ratifying all former acts made anent the sufficiencie of meall, and ordaineing the same lykewayes to be putt to execution, at more length proports; therefore, and in prosecution of the said act within this burgh, John Aird, younger, dean of gild of the said burgh, hes, conforme to a former act of the said toune counsell, caused make and provyde all weights and skails necessarie for weighing all sorts of meall to be bought and sold within this burgh, and hes appoynted the saids weights to be sett up and placed in such parts of the meall mercatt of this burgh as are most convenient for the use aforsaid; and now the saids magistrates and toune counsell, judgeing it necessary for the better prosecutione of the said act and manadgement of the said meall mercatt, that there be tuo men of integrity and honestie who may be intrusted with the custodie and keeping of the saids weights and skails, and for makeing it their work to goe through the said mercatt for observeing that justice be done in the weighing of meall therein, and who are to give notice of any misdemannour they shall discover, and who are to have six pennies Scotts for ilk sack of meall for their paines, therefore the magistrates and toune counsell doe heirby recomend to the magistrates of this burgh to nominat

and appoynt the said two men for the use forsaid, and to take their oaths *de fidei*, etc., who are to continue dureing the magistrates pleasure; as also statutes and appoynts that the saids tuo men shall have and exact the said six pennies Scotts money for each sack of meall that comes to the said mercatt, and that for their service above and after specified, and which is to be over and above the dues of the meall mercatt formerly used and wont; and, for the better prosecuteing of the said act of parliament and madgement of the said mercatt, the saids magistrates and tounne counsell doe statute and ordaine as follows, viz.:—

(1) That the saids tuo men to be appoynted as said is shall punctually attend the said mercatt each mercatt day, and shall dureing the mercatt allwayes goe through the samen and informe the people anent the severall syzes of the weights, that no fraud be committed therein, and that upon any ground or complaint they give information thereof, and lykewayes that they give information to the visitors and others that shall be appoynted be the magistrats of any insufficient meall such as is thean and not weell dryed or mixed with sand, that the persones may be fyned in the halfe of the value of the said meall, or in case it be extraordinary bad the samen may be confiscatt for the use of the poor.

(2) That where any person shall buy ane load of meall together, the same shall be weighed at the great balk appoynted for that effect and to be placed at the head of the mercatt, and that non of the small balks and skaills shall be made use of thereanent, and that under the paine of twentie shilling Scotts to be payed be ilk person who does in the contrair *toties quoties*.

(3) That all persones who are placed with their sacks in the mercatt, betwixt tuo posts where balk and skaills doe hang, and have occasion at one tyme to sell meall to severall persones (to save confusion) they are only to have weight about, and that under the paine of ten shilling Scotts money to be payed be ilk person who does in the contrair *toties quoties*.

(4) That no person take any of the saids balks, skaills and weights out of the mercatt place, under the paine of twentie shillings Scotts money to be payed by ilk persone who does in the contrair *toties quoties*; and lykewayes the saids magistrates and tounne counsell doe hereby appoynt thir presents to be openly published and proclaimed within the said mercatt place the first mercatt day of January nixt, and thereafter to be affixed upon the wall that none may pretend ignorance.

Appoynts the thesaurer to pay to John Corse, late baillie, the soume <sup>Warrant,</sup> of seventie fyve pounds eight shillings Scotts money, as the pryce of the <sup>thesaurer, for</sup> lamp now affixt to the corner of the tolbuith, and fraught and expenssis <sup>John Corse.</sup> of bringing the same frae London, conforme to a particular accompt revissed be the dean of gild.

Appryseing  
of ane shop  
for ane entry  
to Armouris  
Closs.

The magistrates and toune counsell, takeing to their consideration how needfull and expedient it is, for the common good of this burgh and convenience of the inhabitants, that the entrie from the Tronegate to the closs called Armouris Closs should be so enlarged that there may be thereby a full and free passage to the Saltmercatt, and that to this effect it is needfull that ane laigh shop on the south syde of the Tronegate, at the head of the said closs, belonging to (*blank*) Watsone, in Eaglesome, and Ninian Gilhegie, merchant, equally betwixt them, extending to thretteen foot seven inches of breadth, east and west, and to sixteen foot eight inches of deepness, from the insyde of the back wall to the outsyde of the foirwall, should be apprysed and so much thereof may be appropriat to and made use of for the said entrie as shall be needfull; therefore the magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby appoynt and give warrand and commission to John Brysson, late baillie, and George Herbertsone, merchants, to meet with the lyke number of persones to be nominate and appoynted be the saids heretors of the said shop, to the effect after-specified, and to appreciatt and vallue the said shop, so that the toune may have a right thereto, to the effect forsaid, for payment of the pryce to which it shall be vallued be the saids four persones; and appoynts the magistrates to take their oaths that they shall appreciat and vallue the said shop justly and truely, according to their judgement and knowledge.

9 January 1697.

Strangers  
shode carts to  
pay duetie.

The magistrates and toune counsell, takeing to their consideration that the mantaineing of the streets and calsies of this burgh is expensive and burdensome, and that they suffer great prejudice and are much worne out and damnified by shode carts frequenting this burgh, and that many whereof pertain to strengers, therefore the magistrates and toune counsell hereby impowers and appoynts the tacksmen of the dueties lately laid on upon shode carts to stope the comeing in, within this burgh and upon the calsies and streets thereof, all shode carts belonging to strangers, untill the saids strangers pay to the tacksmen the dueties appoynted to be payed be strangers for their shode carts, excepting and exempting therefrae all carts belonging to the Duches of Hamiltoune, as also excepting and exempting herefrae all carts belonging to the toune of

Hamiltoun, durning the pleasure of the toun counsell allenarly as to the toun of Hamiltoun their carts.

Ordains George Muirhead, late thesaurer, to have allowance in his hands of . . . sixtie pounds Scotts payed to Mathew Cumming, younger, baillie, for a carpett to the tounes use. . . . Item, to John Nimmo, writer in Edinburgh, in full of all he could crave for furnishing to the toun news letters, gazets and other publict occurrences, frae [16 May, 1687, till July, 1689].

The magistrates and toun counsell conveened, there was a supplication given in be James Boyd, measson, craveing libertie to him for winning and hewing of stones in that craig lyeing betwixt and Cowcaddens Bridge, which is a litle above the quarrie presently of workeing belonging to Hutchisones Hospitall, which petition being considdered in counsell they refuse the desyre thereof. They hereby discharge the said James and all others from makeing use of the said craig.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to John Louke of Claythorne twentie four pounds Scotts money, as ane years rent of a barne pertaining to him, without the Gallowgate port, which was made use of for a guard house in Provost Barnes tyme, for the said space.

16 January 1697.

Ordaines the dean of gild and his bretheren of counsell to admitt James Bell, pirriewige maker, to be burges of this burgh, and hold his fynes as payed, and remitt the same at the earnest desyres of the lairds of Castlemilk, Torrens, Aikenhead, and of John Hamilton of Hill, shirriff deput of Lanerk, the tounes good freinds.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell conveened, takeing to their consideration that Patrick Stiven, maltman in Glasgow, tacksman of the harbour and road dues of Portglasgow, John Paull, Thomas Hamilton and John Lilburne, his partners, had lately given in to the saids magistrats and toun counsell ane supplication, containeing severall representations of objectiones, difficulties and abstrucciones that they mett with in uplifting of the saids dues (which are particularly and summarly afterinsert) as also that the saids magistrates and toun counsell had formerly appoynted the magistrates [and others] to meett and commune

with the said Patrick Stiven and his partners anent their representationes and complaints, and thereafter to report their judgement and opinion thereanent to the counsell, and that this day the said committie having made their report and given their judgement in the matters above and afterspecified, and the saids magistrates and toun counsell having maturely considered the representationes and complaints with the said committies report and opinion of the said matter, they have given and hereby gives to the representationes abovespecified and after insert their answers and determinationes afterspecified, viz.:—

(1) As to the first article of the saids representationes and complaints (viz., that it is objected to the tacksmen that fisher boats are exeemed by law and pays nothing through the kingdome) they hereby appoynt that dureing the tyme that the herring fishing is in the river of Clyde, within the Cloch Stone, every fisher boat shall be free to come and goe to the harbour of Portglasgow, for payment only of six shilling eight pennies Scotts for each fisher boat dureing that season, and when the fishing is without the Cloch Stone then every fisher boat is to be considered and pay according to her burden, conforme to other boats trading up and downe the river of Clyde.

(2) As to the second article of the saids representationes and complaints (viz., that Renfrew and Dumbartoun boats refuse payment of any dueties of the said harbour and road, pretending that there is a paction betwixt the burgh of Glasgou and them for exemption) the saids magistrates and toun counsell know nothing of any such paction and agreement, and yet being willing to deall freindly and kindely with their saids neighbouring burghs, doe therefore appoynt the tacksmen only to exact for all ships, barks and boats belonging the burgesses and inhabitants of the saids tuo burghs, as for ships, barks and boats belonging to burgess inhabitants of this burgh, and in respect this ease is only granted as a favour to the saids tuo burghs therefore the said ease is only appoynted to continue dureing the pleasure of the magistrates and toun counsell of this burgh; as also in regaird the tacksmen by their commission are not restricted to the said ease given as said is, but have power to exact from the burges inhabitants of the saids tuo burghs as from strangers, therefore the magistrates and toun counsell appoynts the tacksmen to keep ane exact accompt of all ships, barks and boats belonging to the said tuo burghs that come to the said road and harbour from tyme to tyme, and of what the dues thereof fall short, be the favour and ease forsaid granted to them, to the effect the tacksmen may have allowance thereof in their tackduetie.

(3) As to the third article in relation to gabarts, pretending that they ought to pay more then is contained in the fourth article of the dueties established be the toun counsell and instructiones from the counsell thereanent, upon this account that the second and third articles of the saids instructiones anent the



dueties forsaides mentiones ships, barks and other vessells, and so the words other vessells should comprehend gabarts above the burden of twelve tuns, in answer to which representatione the magistrates and toune counsell find that the words other vessells (comprehended in the said second and third articles), being joynd to the words ships and barks, can only comprehend vessells of the same nature and quality of ships and barks, but can nowayes be understood of gabarts, especially considering that the subsequent fourth article is composed of gabarts and hes a speciall relation to them, and so find that gabarts whether great or small ought to pay no more then the dues contained in the said fourth article of instructiones made be the toune counsell as said is.

(4) As to the fourth article of the saids representations and complaints made be the saids tacksmen (viz., that the heretors of Portglasgow pretend exemption by their chartours) the magistrates and toune counsell returns this answer thereunto that non of the saids heretors have exemption by their few-rights except William Arbuckle and George Lyon, so that all others of the saids heretors are lyeable in payment conforme to the instructiones and rates made, and therefore the tacksmen are sufficiently impowered by their commission to exact accordingly, and appoynts the tacksmen to keep an exact accompt of the vessells and boats belonging to the saids William Arbuckle and George Lyon that come to the said road and harbour from tyme to tyme and of the dues they are lyeable to, to the effect the tacksmen may have allowance thereof in their tackdueties.

(5) As to the fyfth article of the saids representationes and complaints (viz., that it is objected to the tacksmen that the toune has no right to nor are infett in the road of Portglasgow, and therefore that every man is free there without payeing of anchorage or dues) as to which it is answered that the objection is false and the toune hes a reall right to the road as weell as to the harbour, conforme to their chartours and acts of parliament in their favours, and that therefore the dues are to be exacted off all ships rideing, livering and loading in the said road conforme to the instructiones.

(6) As to the sixth article, wherein they doe complaine that the baillie of Portglasgow giveth them no concurrence, but upon the contrarie all discouragement in exacting the dues due and payable conforme to the particular articles of the instructions made and given be the toune counsell, and therefore doe crave that the tacksmen and their servants may be enpowered to poynd and distrenzie if they refuse to pay the dues; as to which article the magistrates and toune counsell refuse to committ any such power to the tacksmen or their servants, least it may occasion confusion and disorder, but allowes and appoynts the tacksmen or their servants to take a pand or pledge from the refusers to pay their dues, and keep and detaine the samen untill the dues be payed or the baillie determine thereintill; and lykewayes the magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby appoynt their baillie at Portglasgow to give all due concurrence to their tacksmen and their servants for uplifting of the dues, conforme to the articles and instructiones made thereanent, as also conforme to thir presents, and that by

poynding and distrenzieing in such cases; and in case of the baillies refuseall that the tacksmen or their servants take instruments and protest against the baillie for their damages for which he ought to be lyeable.

And farder appoynts the clerk to give ane extract hereof to the saids tacksmen, and ane other extract hereof to the baillie at Portglasgow, who are hereby appoynted to observe the samen in tyme comeing.

18 *January* 1697.

Leavie money  
payed.

The magistrates and toune counsell convened, the provest reported that the inhabitants haveing payed be collectione three hundered threttie six pounds Scotts, for payment of and satisfaction for twentie four pounds Scotts for ilk man of fourteen men, as this tounes proportion of this years leavie, according to the late act of parliment and proclamation of the privie counsell thereanent, and that Thomas Hamilton, maltman, being sent to Lanerk to delyver the said soume he had accordingly made payment thereof to Ensigne John Cunninghame, as haveing commission from Collonell George Hamilton, and recovered discharge thereof; which report and payment forsaid the counsell hereby approves of.

6 *February* 1697.

In favouris of  
the clerk.

The magistrates and toune counsell convened, takeing to their consideration that albeit be the late regulationes of the toune clerks dues the inhabitants have considerable ease of the pryces which were exacted before the saids regulationes, and that the present toune clerk does timeously extend and registrate all seasines given within the burgh and territories thereof, yett nevertheless many of the saids seasines doe lye too long in his hands, after they are dispatched be him as said is, therefore the saids magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby appoynt and allow that the clerk and his servant exact a fourth part more then the dues appoynted be the saids regulationes for each seasine that shall lye in his hands fourtie dayes after the date thereof, and ane third part more then the saids regulationes for each seasine that shall lye in his hands three moneths after the date thereof, but prejudice allwayes to the clerk if he thinks fitt to applye himselfe to the magistrates for obtaineing his payment in a summer way, at any tyme he pleases after the dispatching of the seasines.

20 February 1697.

The magistrates and toune counsell appoynts their former call to Mr. John master John Chrystie, preacher of the Gospell, to be renewed, and a new <sup>Chrystie to be called.</sup> call to be given to him to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh.

The magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby commissionat and <sup>Commission to the provest</sup> empower the provest to doe all things needfull and expedient to be done <sup>anent the</sup> for the interest of this burgh in the stock of the Indian and African <sup>Indian and African</sup> trade of this kingdome, in the nixt ensueing election of the grand <sup>trade.</sup> counsell for the said trade, as also commissionats and impowers him and his successors in office in tyme comeing to represent the tounes interest in any elections of the said counsell that are to be hereafter, or in any other affair in relatione to the tounes interest in the said stock and trade, and to doe all things needfull and convenient thereanent, and that dureing the pleasure of the toune counsell of this burgh allenarly.

The magistrates and toune counsell, takeing to their consideration <sup>Anent gabarts</sup> that be their former act dated the second day of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and <sup>dues at</sup> nyntie fyve years, it is appoynted that the duetie of gabarts repairing to <sup>Portglasgow.</sup> the road, key and harbour of Portglasgow should be as follows, viz.: these belonging to freemen of this burgh three shilling Scotts, and these belonging to strengers six shilling Scotts, for each gabart, in manner specified in the said act, and that of late some vessells belonging to Ireland are come to the said port, which in that kingdome are under the name of gabarts, which ought reallie raither to be comprehended under the names of ships and barks, and yet the oweners thereof pretend to pay no other dueties then according to the said former act, therefore the magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby declair that the saids dueties appoynted be the said act was only for gabarts belonging to the said river, and ordaines and appoynts that the dueties of all other vessells of whatsoever denominatione they goe under in other nationes shall be according to the burdens thereof and as is payable be the said former act for ships and barks, etc. As also ordaines and appoynts that whatsoever gabarts, even belonging to the said river or elsewhere, doe at any tyme goe without or come frae without the Comraeheads, shall at their arryvall at the said road, key or harbour, pay dueties according to their burden (for that voyage allenarly) as is payable for ships, barks and other veshells be

the second and third articles of the said former act, and that notwithstanding of the said act or of any subsequent acts relating thereto.

6 March 1697.

Agreement  
approved for  
cutting and  
mending the  
key at Port-  
glasgow.

The magistrates and toun counsell convened, baillie Nisbitt reported that he [and others] had, conforme to a former act, entered in a contract, of the date hereof, with John Hunter, measson, whereby he and William Arbuckle, merchant, as cautioner for him, are bound to make a cutt in the key of Portglasgow for dighting of the harbour of the extent specified in the contract, and to pavement the bottome of the cutt and make a chake therein for a slouss, and pend the said cutt, and fix paulls and fenders in the key, and highten the far end of the key, for which the pryce bound to be payed is as follows, viz., for the said cutt and fixing of paulls and fenders twentie two pound ten shillings sterling money, and for the said hightening fyfteen shillings sterling for ilk elne square throw from the one side of the key to the other, and that the said soumes are to be payed at the severall tymes specified in the said contract, which containes other clauses thereanent; which report being hard and the contract read in counsell they approve thereof, and enacts themselves and successors in office to freith and releive the saids persones bound as said is of their haill obligationes contained in the said contract, and appoynts the thesaurer and his successors in office to make payment to the said John Hunter of the said soumes and pryces agried to at the tymes and as the same falls due be the said contract.

Overtures for  
maintaineing  
of the poor.

Amended in  
the 4, 5, and  
7 articles,  
conforme to  
act daited  
21 August,  
1697.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell of the said burgh being convened, there were read in their presence the severall proposealls after insert, made and drawn up to be offerred to their consideration, for the more easie and effectuall mantaineing of the poor within the said burgh of Glasgow, whereof the tenor follows:—

(1) That a commission be granted to the persones following to be supervisors and overseers of the poor within the citie of Glasgow, viz., the provest, dean of gild and deacon conveyer of the said citie for the tyme being, one of the ministers, one of the ruling elders, and one of the deacons chosen be the generall kirk session annually, the principall of the Colledge of Glasgow for the tyme being, and fourteen more persones, six whereof of the merchant rank, six of the trades, and two of the neutrall rank.

(2) That these persones nominate in this commission have power to hire, purchase or build houses to be fitted by them for hospitalls and infirmaries in order to their more convenient containeing of the poor.

(3) That this commission be obleidged to receive into these hospitalls all manner of persones who are or pretend to be poor, who shall willingly offer themselves to enter unto the same, whither old or young, of both sexes, sick or whole, maimed, decrepit, blind or lame, or of any other sort whatsoever.

(4) That this commission have all the power the law allows to any magistrates to apprehend or cause apprehend, take up and by force detaine all begging people, idle and vagabond persones, who can give no account how they leive, and these of all sorts whatsoever, without distinction or exception, who shall be found within the liberties of the said citie or shall be delyvered or given by their parents for that effect, and foundling children exposed by their parents in their infancie who shall be found and apprehended within the liberties of the said citie, and them maintaine either in these hospitalls [or in any other place within or without the kingdom<sup>1</sup>], dureing the spaces afterexpressed, the said commission furnishing them and these who willingly offer themselves with sufficient wholesome food, cloathing, washing and lodgeing.

(5) That this commission have power to detaine all these poor dureing the tyme and space the law allows, at least dureing the tyme following, viz., that they have power to detaine all these who voluntarily enter themselves unto these hospitalls and are of the age of twentie one years, for the space of ane full year, that these who shall be taken up of the age of twentie one be detained three years, and these who are under the age of twentie, whether voluntarily entering with consent of their parents, if they have any, and if they themselves be under the age of fyfteine years, and if at or above the said age, entering allwayes voluntarily and freely as said is, or taken up, be detained untill they come to the age of twentie fyve years, that all foundling children be detained untill they come to the age of threttie years, and these who haveing been in the said hospitalls and haveing been emitted by the said commission shall be againe found begging in the said citie and apprehended that they be detained for seven years.

(6) That this commission have power to putt all these people so detained to labour and work, at what imployments they shall think them most fitt for and suteable to their severall capacities, ages, sexes, health and strength, and which reasonable service, at the usual tymes of work, if they refuse, neglect or abuse, the said commission, by their officers or servants by them appoynted, may them chastise and correct by corporall or other punishment, not extending to lyfe, limbs or mutilation of any member.

(7) That for a fond to defray the charge of the saids poor so to be maintained, the said commission, by themselves or any by them appoynted, have power to receive and requyre three fourth parts of the ordinar collections gathered at the church doors for the poor, as being the quota aggried unto by the generall kirk session, the other fourth part being reserved for other pious uses they have for

<sup>1</sup> The pen has been drawn through the words printed within square brackets. See p. 251.

the same, and have power to receive and imploy all donationes and mortifications which may be given by pious and weell disposed persons for that end, and also to receive and requyre all fynes and penalties which the law inflicts for profanity and other enormities, and which fynes the law allows to be disposed of for the use of the poor, and lykewayes that they have power to stent, receive and uplift from all and every inhabitant within the liberties of the said citie, without exception of any whatsomever others then these who are actually in hospitalla, in such soumes as, with the above fonds and the product of the labour of the said poor people, may be competent for the same, not exceeding ane in the hundered yeirlie of the yearly incomes, by rent, trade or labour of the said inhabitants, to be levied by the said commission at one, tuo or four termes of the year; provydeing that if any inhabitants shall voluntarily offer to stent themselves, and that the said stent shall not be ane third part less then the above said one of the hundered of their yearly incomes, by their rent, trade or labours, that the said offer be accepted by the said commission, who shall record their willingness to concurr in such a good work, provydeing allwayes that the said commission be dilligent to take up all beggars from streets and doors, that they may not be otherwayes burdensome to the inhabitants.

(8) That the said commission be appoynted and impowered to meet for their first meeting on the (*blank*) day of (*blank*) nixt, and thereafter as often as they shall think fitt, with power to them to make and settle such rules and methods, appoynt such committies or persons, giveing them such power as is hereby granted to the said commission, and to imploy and appoynt such officers, overseers and servants as shall be found necessarie for the more easy and effectual maintaineing of the said poor.

(9) That the said commission keep fair and clear journall books and accompts of their receipts and depursements of the said fonds abovementioned, and of the profite and product of the labour and work of the said poor people, and be accomptable for the same to the magistrates and toune counsell and to the delegats of the tuo houses of merchants and trades and delegats of the generall kirk session, and if there shall be any of the said fonds still remaineing that the said commission shall faithully count and answeare for the same, and that it be disposed of for the use of the said poor or lessening any of the said fonds as shall be thought reasonable.

(10) That the said commission shall lykewayes take care for the Christian education of the younger ones of these poor, and shall order and allow their publict and private worshipping of God dayly, at such sett tymes as shall be found most convenient.

(11) That the said commission shall take care to cause instruct and breed up the younger ones of these poor in some trade or employment which they may be most fitt for and may render them most usefull.

(12) That these proposealls be laid before the magistrates and toune counsell and before the community of the said citie, assembled in their tuo houses, and before the generall kirk session, and that after their severall consents be had

thereunto the magistrates and toune counsell may grant the said commission, with the powers above desyred, and for the greater solemnity address the lords of his Majesties privie counsell for their concurrence, with approbation of and interposing their authoritie to the same.

Which proposealls above insert being this day taken to consideration Approven  
be the saids magistrates and toune counsell, they approved and hereby <sup>and the two</sup>  
approves thereof, and recomends to John Aird, younger, dean of gild of <sup>houses to</sup>  
the said burgh, and Simon Tennent, deacon conveneer thereof, to convene <sup>meett there-</sup>  
their respective houses for takeing the saids proposealls to their con-  
sideration, and thereafter to make report to the saids magistrates and  
toune counsell of the saids tuo houses their thoughts thereof.

The magistrates and toune counsell convened, for the better manage- Checks  
ment of the collecting and ingathering of the excyse, appoynts that four <sup>settled.</sup>  
checks be placed in the four milnes, one in each milne, for takeing up  
accompt of all the malt grinded in the respective milnes, both from whom  
it is received and to whom it is given, and the names of the carriers or  
callers thereof, which accompt they are to give in each Saturday after-  
noon, subscribed with their hand, to such persones as the magistrates and  
toune counsell shall appoynt collectors or supervisors, which four are to  
have three pounds Scotts weekly for their paines; as also appoynts tuo  
checks to be esteablished within the toune to goe throw the haille brewers  
of the toune and take accompt of their brewing, which they are lykewayes  
to give in as said is, and these tuo to have ten groats of sallarie weekly;  
and appoynts the persones following for the milnes, Francis Wark,  
Thomas Forrester, James Montgomrie and Robert Crawford, and for the  
toune James Dick and William Cunninghame, who are to be posted at  
the milnes and severall places of the toune as the magistrats thinks fitt,  
and authorizes the magistrates take their oaths *de fidei*, and to enter them  
to their severall posts on Munday morning nixt, and they are to continue  
only dureing the magistrates pleasure, and recomends to the magistrates  
to seek out a fitt person to be collector and comune about his fie and if  
need beis to place him and report the nixt counsell day.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Robert Thomson, postmaster, the Warrant for  
soume of threttie seven pounds four shilling Scotts money, due to him <sup>Robert</sup>  
be aggreement for news letters and postage of letters, and for the minutes <sup>Thomson,</sup>  
postmaster.

of the English parliament furnished be him to the toune from his entrie, which was the first of November last, to the tyme of the late agreement now made with the principall postmaster, which was the first day of February last, and this in full of what he is to acclaime upon the accompt forsaide.

The provest  
and others to  
prosecute a  
call to Mr.  
John  
Chrystie.

The magistrates and toune counsell doe hereby nominate and appoynt John Andersone of Dowhill, provest [and others], or any two or three of them, to attend the presbitry of Glasgow in prosecution of the call made and subscribed be the eldership and toune counsell of this burgh to Mr. John Chrystie, preacher of the gospell, and that for the nixt ensueing dyet of the said presbitry, and thereafter untill the presbitries determination in the said call; as also to insist in prosecutione of the said call before any other church judicatorie, in case any reference or appell be made therunto, and doe all things incumbent and needfull in prosecution of the said call.

20 March 1697.

Oven in the  
tounes  
lodgeing in  
Gorballs.

The dean of gild reported that William Barclay, master of wark, haveing a tack promised to him of the tounes great lodgeing in Gorballs, with and under some reservationes and conditiones as are specified in an act dated [14 December 1695], the said William is now repairing the oven of the said lodgeing, in order to sett the same to a baxter, for setting up a trade of beaking there, to the prejudice of this burgh and freemen thereof; which matter being taken to consideration, the saids magistrates and toune counsell discharges the said William Barclay of setting of the said oven or use makeing thereof as said is; and recomends to the baillie of the Gorballs to see this present act observed and to intimate the same to the said William Barclay and to the said baxter.

Mr. Robert  
Miller to be  
called to  
Portglasgow.

The magistrates and toune counsell conveened, the provest reported that he had received a letter frae the fewars of Portglasgow shewing their inclination to call master Robert Miller, preatcher of the gospell, to be minister at Portglasgow, and that the presbitry had appoynted a minister to preach there on Sabath nixt for moderating the call, and the counsell being lykewayes satisfied therewith doe hereby commissionat and appoynt provest Peadie and John Corse to represent them in subscribeing of the



said call and doing all things needfull and expedient thereanent, and in prosecution of the said call till the determination thereof.

The magistrates and toune counsell conveened, upon ane address <sup>A committee to goe to Petershill.</sup> made to them be Robert Dinwodie of Jerminstoune, now tacksman of Petershill, doe nominate and apoynt bailie Nisbitt [and others] as a committee to mark out the ground of the saids lands upon which the said Robert is to build a park dyke, as also if the said Robert desyres any part of the saids lands to be inclosed within his own park with his lands of Jermistoune, for accomodating and straighting of the said dyke, that in that caice the said committie shall take the same to their consideration and consider the vallue thereof and report.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, John Aird, younger, <sup>A commission anent the poor.</sup> dean of gild, reported in their presence that, conforme to a former act of the said toune counsell dated the sixth day of March instant, he had conveened the merchants of this burgh for takeing to consideration the proposealls given to the magistrates and toune counsell for the more easie and effectuall mantaineing of the poor within this burgh, conforme to the said former act, and that the merchants did unanimously approve of the saids proposealls, and had nominated James Peadie of Ruchill, late provest of the said burgh, James Walkinshaw of that Ilk, John Govane of Hoganfeild, John Brysson, late baillie of this burgh, Thomas Peter and John Bowman, all merchants, to be supervisors and overseers of the poor from the merchants house, according to ane act of the merchants house made thereanent dated the (*blank*) day of March instant; as lykewayes severall persons of the said toune counsell who are elders, and so members of the generall kirk session of this burgh, did represent and report to the saids magistrates and toune counsell that the generall kirk session of this burgh, consisting of the haill ministers, elders and deacons thereof, had lykewayes approven the saids proposealls; as also Simon Tennent, deacon conveener, did represent and report that the farr greatest part of the particular trades of this burgh had refused to approve of the saids proposalls; and the saids magistrates and toune counsell takeing to their consideration that, albeit the trades refused to concurr in approving the saids proposealls, yet in regaird that not only the toune counsell and the merchants of this burgh and the generall kirk session had

approven thereof, and that the generallitie of the inhabitants were cheerfull in concurring threin, but lykewayes that the present circumstances and necessities of the poor did call for speedie methods for their help and supplie, and that the saids proposalls were not only formed with regaird to the mantainance but lykewayes to the Christian education of the poor, therefore the saids magistrates and toune counsell do hereby of new ratifie and aprove the saids proposealls, as the same are insert and ingrossed in their said former act, with and under the provisiones after specified, in the haill heads and contents thereof, and conforme thereunto hereby grant and give power and commission to the provest. dean of gild and deacon conveyener of the said burgh, and to the principall of the Colledge of Glasgow for the tyme being, as also to (*blank*) one of the ministers of the said burgh, (*blank*) one of the ruleing elders thereof, and (*blank*) one of the deacons of the same burgh, chosen be the said generall kirk session, as also to the saids six merchants abovenamed, nominated for the part of the merchant house, and in case that the trades doe hereafter concurr in the said matter then and in that case to the six persones to be nominated be the trades house, and also to these tuo persones who shall be nominated and chosen by the said kirk session out of the newtrall rank, and that for exerceing and manageing of the haill powers abovewriten contained in the saids proposalls, insert in the counsellis said former act and as is expressed therein; with and under this provision and condition that in case the said commission at any tyme doe find themselves opprest with stangers poor, that then and in that case it shall be leisum to them either to retaine the saids strengers poor or send them to their respective paroches to which they belong, in case these paroches will not give security to the commission for their mantainance, conforme to the acts of parliament; and also the saids magistrates and toune counsell hereby wills and declairs that this present commission shall continue dureing the said counsellis pleasure only, and that the said commission shall be comptable to the saids magistrates and counsell, or to whom they shall delegate for that effect, and to the delegates of the saids tuo houses of merchants and trades and to the delegates of the kirk session forsaid, and that once in the year or oftener if requyred.

3 April 1697.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to [several persons sums extending in Warrant, thesaurer.  
all to £240 13 s.] for reparation of balks, skaills and weights in the meall  
mercatt after that the same were broken be the rable.

17 April 1697.

The magistrats and toune counsell have subscribed a tack, be why of Tack, co-  
contract betwixt them, on the ane part, and Parick Houstoune, James partiners of  
and William Walkinshaws, William Crawford and James Corbett, mer- the rope  
chants in this burgh, and copartiners of the rope manufactorie lately sett manufactorie,  
up be them therein, on the other part, whereby the magistrats and counsell Old Green.  
setts to the saids copartiners that peice of enclosed ground belonging  
to this burgh, called the Old Green, upon the west syde of the foot of the  
Stockwellgate (reserveing therefrae a peice of ground upon the east end  
of the said Green specified in the tack), and that for nynteen years after  
Candlemess last, to be possest and used be them for the workeing of  
manufactorie work and graseing of cattell allenarly, as also the counsell  
are to keep up and mantaine the dykes in manner specified in the tack,  
leaving the usuall entries and passages; and the copartiners are bound,  
conjunctlie and severallie, for the yearly rent of ane hundered and twentie  
pounds, at the terme of Mertimes yearly, and containes the provisions  
and conditions afterspecified, viz., that if the said work and copartiner-  
ship cease dureing the said space, the tack to be null at the first Candle-  
mess after ceassing; and in case the same continue after the expiration  
of the saids nynteen years that then the toune counsell shall give them  
a new tack for other nynteen years, or for longer tyme thereafter,  
dureing the continuation of the said work; as also if at any tyme here-  
after the toune counsell for the tyme find it needfull that any part of  
the ground sett as said is should be made use of other wayes, for the  
better accomodation and conveniencie of this burgh and trade thereof,  
that then it shall be in the counsell's power to dispose upon the samen,  
excepting so much as may be needfull for the said work, on the north  
syde of the Green, the rent whereof to be cognosced as in the tack,  
there being no other rope manufactorie to be permitted dureing the  
manufactorie and copartnership abovewriten; and, lastly, that the ground

sett as said is be subject and lyeable to the freedome of dryeing cloaths and walking therupon, and the roupe of the tounes common goods upon the samen, conforme to use and wont.

All roupes  
to be marked  
in the coun-  
sell book.

The magistrats and tounne counsell, takeing to consideration that notwithstanding, in tyme bygone, it hes been accustomarie that the roupes of the tounes common goods made the first Teusday of June, yearly, are insert in the counsell books, yett it hath not been usuall to mention therein the roupes made at other tymes of any other of the tounes common goods, or others relateing to the tounne and affairs thereof, therefore appoynts that in tyme comeing there be such mention made of the samen, and what the soumes are to which the roupes extends, as that the counsell book may direct how the thesaurers are to be charged therewith.

A pension to  
Andrew  
Browne.

Ordaines Andrew Browne, book binder, to have weeklie, frae the master of wark, twentie four shilling Scotts, dureing the counsells pleasure, in respect of his present povertie and the present dearth and his numerous family.

8 May 1697.

Warrant for  
Robert  
Leitch.

Ordaines the thesaurer to make payment to Robert Leitch, calsier, of the sowme of fyve hundered and threttie pounds Scotts money for calsieing the Stockwall Street and without the Watter Port, and repairing the Bridgegate, whereof there is [£513] for the Stockwall Street and without the Port, being seventie seven rudes, and [£16 13s. 4d.] for tuo rudes and ane halfe in the Bridgegate, all at ten merks per rude, to which haill work the haill materialls being furnished be the said Robert himselfe, conforme to ane accompt thereof revysed be the dean of gild.

A committee  
to build a  
weighhouse.

The magistrats and tounne counsell, takeing to consideration that it will contribute to the credit and advantage of this burgh, and conveniencie for trade, that there be ane weigh house within the same, and judgeing the fitt place for it to be upon the west syde of the Candlerig Street and upon the north end of the Flesh Mercatt there, doe therefore hereby resolve and appoynt that the said weigh house shall be builded in the said place; and, for the better manadgement of the building, commissionats and appoynts the provest, baillies, dean of gild, and deacon conveyener, and such others as they please to call to their assistance, to think upon the demensions of the said house and agree with meassons, wrights and other workmen for

building thereof, and report their judgement and dilligence the nixt counsell day.

The magistrats and toune counsell, upon ane supplication given in to <sup>A committee</sup> them be Patrick Bell, merchant in Glasgow, they hereby appoynt the <sup>to straight</sup> provest [and others] to see to the straighting of ane park dyke, designed <sup>Patrick Bell's</sup> park dyke. to be builded be the said Patrick Bell upon the march betwixt the said Patrick his lands of Cowcaden and the tounes lands or loan.

Ordaines the thesaurer to give ane rex doller to each of the toune <sup>Warrant,</sup> officers, and to the Gorbail officer, highland Mary and the dempster, to <sup>vaccance</sup> each of them ane doller as their vaccance <sup>dollers.</sup> dollers as use is.

15 May 1697.

The magistrats and toune counsell have subscribed tuo contracts, the <sup>Tuo contracts</sup> one whereof betwixt them and George Muir, measson, whereby the said <sup>subscrived</sup> George becomes bound to build the stone work of a weigh house upon the <sup>anent the</sup> west syde of the Candlerig and the north end of the Fleshmercatt, of the <sup>building of</sup> demensiones specified in the aggreement, and to furnish all materialls <sup>the weigh</sup> and to perfyte the work betwixt and the first of February nixt, for which <sup>house.</sup> the toune is to pay him tuo thousand merks, at the terms specified in the contract; and the other thereof betwixt them and George Nisbitt, Robert Dickie and Francis Stivenon, wrights, whereby the saids wrights become bound to furnish materialls to and build the haill timber work and sklait work of the said weigh house, and to be compleited betwixt and the fyfteen day of May j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie eight years, in manner and under the penalty therein expressed, and for which the toune counsell are bound to pay to them fyve thousand merks, at the tymes respective therein specified; which contracts containes diverse other clauses.

[The committee appointed by the act of 20th March last] reported <sup>Robert</sup> that they had marked the ground upon that part of the towns lands of <sup>Dinwodie,</sup> Petershill (now possest be Robert Dinwodie of Jernistoune, tacksman <sup>anent his</sup> park dyke. of Petershill) where the said Robert desyres to have his dyke builded, and it was their opinion that fitt persones should be appoynted to measure and vallue that part of the saids lands to be inclosed within the said Robert his park. Which report being hard and considered be the saids magistrats and toune counsell they hereby impower and appoynt John

Rowan in Meikle Govan and John Allan, elder, in Midle quarter of Shetlestoune to measure and value [the land as recommended by the committee].

Doctor of  
Grammar  
School laid  
asyde.

The magistrats and toune counsell, taking to consideration that there are many complaints made to them against master John Walker, lately appoynted to be a doctor of the Grammar Schooll, doe therefore hereby discharge him of the said office in tyme comeing, and appoynts baillie Aird to intimat thir presents to Mr. George Skirvine, schoolmaster, and to the said Mr. John.

28 May 1697.

Additions  
and rectifica-  
tions of the  
Broomielaw  
and cart dues.

The magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to consideration that the dues of Broomielaw are to be rouped with the rest of the tounes common goods, upon Teusday the first day of June nixt, and that at the tyme of the setting downe and appoynting the saids dues, be a former act dated [2 December 1695], the crane at Broomielaw not being then in a sufficient case, there was no dues established therefor, and the crane being now sufficient therefore the magistrats and toune counsell hereby appoynt that the dues to be exacted for the said crane be as follows, viz., three shilling for each butt of any kynd of liquors or goods, and the lyke soume for each hogshead of suggar, and twelve pennies for each French hogshead or Spanish halfe butt of any liquor or goods, and each hogshead of tobacco. Item, for every bundall or pack of any goods (to be craned as said is) as follows, viz., twelve pennies for every bundall or pack weighting six hunderedweight and under, and tuo shilling for each pack or bundall at a thousand weight and above six hundered weight, and three shilling for each pack or bundall weighing sixteen hundered weight and above a thousand weight, and six shilling for all packs or bundalls above sixteen hundered weight; and appoynts that there be no weight putt upon the crane above tuo thousand fyve hundered weight; as also appoynts and ordaines the tun of sklait to be a thousand sklait; and sicklyke the magistrats and counsell (for severall reasons) doe appoynt that boats and goods belonging to the tounes of Dumbartoune and Renfrew be excepted out of the roupe ensueing to be upon Teusday the first of June nixt, and out of other rouples thereafter dureing the counsells pleasure allenarly, except as to the cran dues

in case they make use thereof; as also appoynts that the carts belonging to the burgh of Rutherglen be excepted out of the roupe of the cart dues to be upon the day forsaid and out of other roupes thereafter dureing the counsells pleasure.

Ordaines the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt James <sup>James</sup> ~~Houstoune~~, brother german to Sir John Houstoune of that Ilk, <sup>Houstoune,</sup> ~~burghes~~ <sup>burghes and</sup> and gild brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as gild brother. payed, for the memorie of umquhill Sir John Houstoune of that Ilk, great-grandfather to the said James, who was provost of this burgh.

The magistrates and toun counsell allowes and dispenses with <sup>Act in</sup> Catherine Campbell her useing a free trade within the burgh dureing <sup>favours of</sup> her not marriage, and that at the speciall recomendationes and desyres <sup>Catherine</sup> Campbell. of the countess of Argyle and laird of Arkinlays.

1 June 1697.

[Mills, 9,450 merks; ladles, 5,700 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 860 merks; Common good tron, 830 merks; bridge, 2,000 merks; carts, 630 merks; crane, 1,300 merks.] <sup>set.</sup>

12 June 1697.

Appoynts the provest [and others] as a committie to considder of the <sup>Abuses of the</sup> great abuses committed in the tounes merches, as they have been observed <sup>tounes</sup> be the last land meithers, and to adjust the matter as farr as they can <sup>merches.</sup> and to report.

26 June 1697.

The magistrats and toun counsell, being informed that John <sup>A committee</sup> Sprowell, merchant, *alias* Bass John, does contraveen the acts and statutes <sup>to speak with</sup> of this burgh and a generall engadgement of the tradeing merchants <sup>John</sup> thereof, by livering and loading at Greenock and Corcedyke and not at <sup>Sprowell.</sup> Portglasgow, as also that he keeps a considerable trade with unfreemen and in packing and peilling with them, therefore appoynts provest Peadie [and three others] to meitt and call before them and conferr with the said John theranent and make what inquirye they can in the saids transgressions and report their dilligence to the counsell.

Ordaines George Muirhead, late thesaurer, to allow to James Scott, <sup>Warrant,</sup> late in Wester Comone, the soume of six pounds sterling, and to John <sup>Scott and</sup> ~~Gillies.~~

Gillies, late in Petershill, ane hundered merks Scots; which soumes are allowed to them for improvement and melioration of the saids lands by lymeing and mucking thereof and repairing of the houses.

Black quarrie  
and baxters  
milnedam.

Appoynts the magistrats [and others] as a committeé to visite the tounes stone quarrie called the Black Quarrie, and to call for John Campbell of Woodside, who (as is informed), by takeing coall out of the samen, doth prejudge and disaccomodate the working of the stone there, and call for inspection of the rights that the said John pretends to have to the ground about the said quarrie and coall forsaied, as also of what rights the said John hes frae this burgh to any other lands marching with the tounes lands, and take consideration if he hes extended his marches and enclosures any farder then according thereunto. And sicklyke to visite the baxters milnedam upon the water of Kelvine which (as is informed) they have lately hightened, to the prejudice of the tounes milne above the samen, and thereafter to report their dilligence and thoughts thereof to the counsell.

24 July 1697.

Building  
church in  
Queensbridge  
to the  
Protestants  
there.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, they, in obedience of and complyance with ane act of the lords of his Majesties privie counsell, and ane other act of the commission of the generall assemblie, for a generall collection throughout this kingdome for helping to build a church in Queensbridge, within the Duke of Brandenburgs territories, for the reformed Calvinists in that place, doe hereby allow and appoynt that there be a collection, for the effect forsaied, made within this burgh from house to house; and seeing the generall kirk session of this burgh have appoynted elders to manage the samen from the session, therefore the counsell doe hereby appoynt the persones underwritten to be assisting to the saids elders as is afterspecified, viz., [certain persons for each of the north, middle, east, south, and west quarters].

Provision to a  
minister to  
Portglasgow.

The magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to consideration that the lords and others of the commission for plantation of kirks and valuation of teyndes had, be their decreet of erection dated the first day of July j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie six years, disjoyned the toune and lands of Newportglasgow (pertaining to this burgh) and some other lands therein specified, from the



parochine and paroch kirk of Kilmacolme and have united and erected the same in a new paroch kirk by themselves to be within the toune of Portglasgow, as also have ordained the magistrats, toune counsell and community of this burgh, and their successors in office, to provyde the minister to serve the cure at the said new kirk with ane stipend of eight hundered merks Scotts at least, in manner specified in the said decreet, and that accordingly the magistrats and toune counsell had, be their band dated the twentie seventh day of June j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie six years, obleidged themselves and successors in office for the said yearly provision of eight hundered merks at least, which band is transmitted to the clerk of the said commission to be registrate in the records thereof, conforme and in obedience to the order and appoyntment specified in the said decreet of erection, and as specified in ane act of the toune counsell dated the twentie seventh day of June j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie six years; and in respect it is determined be a former act of the toune counsell of this burgh, dated the eight day of June j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie six years, that ane yearly stipend of nyne hundered merks Scotts, and a dwelling house, should be secured to the minister of the said new paroch, and that master Robert Miller, preacher of the gospell, is (God willing) within a short tyme to be settled minister of the said new erected paroch, they doe therefore hereby enact and bind and obleidge them and their successors in office to make good and thankfull payment to the said master Robert Miller, and his successors, ministers serveing the cure at the said new erected kirk, of the said soume of nyne hundered merks Scotts money forsaid of yearly stipend, in all tyme coming, at tuo termes in the year, Whitsunday and Mertimes, be equall portiones, and to provyde them with a dwelling house; and in respect there is as yet no gleib provyded, therefore the saids magistrats and counsell enacts themselves and successors as said is, for payment yearly to the said master Robert and his successors in office of the soume of ane hundered merks money forsaid proportionally, at the saids tuo termes, ay and while a sufficient gleib shall be provyded.

The magistrats and toune counsell convened, the provest [and others] Committees reported that, conforme to a former act dated the eight day of May last, <sup>report anent</sup> Patrick Bells they had mett with Patrick Bell, merchant, upon the ground of his lands <sup>Patrick Bells</sup> park dyke. of Cowcadens, for straightging a park dyke to be builded be the said

Patrick thereupon, and that they had aggried and concluded with the said Patrick that he should lyne his park dyke from the south east corner of his house, straight downe by the outside of the faill dyke to the outmost syde of the double tree, and from that straight downe to the southmost young groweing tree, keeping fyve foot to the eastward of it, and from thence straight downe to a great stone on the south syde of the burne, according as it is now meithed.

Anent Wood-  
sydes marches  
and anent the  
tounes  
quarries.

The magistrats and tounes counsell conveened, the provest [and others] reported that they had visited that park lately taken in be John Campbell, they find the said John hes inclosed therein a great dale of the tounes ground, and that they were informed the said John hes a right to that peice of ground called Pirries Bog, which was formerly fewed to umquhill John Anderson,<sup>1</sup> sometyme provest of this burgh, called Dungeon John, for which he was to pay threttie six shilling Scotts of yearly fewduety; as also was bound to build and keep and repair that bridge upon the corner of the said bog, in the highway to the tounes quarrie, off all which there is yet no performance, and that he hes right to James Mudie and David Peters lands, which payes as is informed ten merks yearly, whereof the haill bygones are resting; and sicklyke reported that they had visited the Black Quarrie belonging to [the] tounes in which there is a thinn coall halfe ane elne thick betwixt the tuo seems of the craig, to which coall the said John Campbell pretends to have ane interest, albeit he grants the quarrie to be the tounes propertie, and they find that by the said John his takeing away the coall he endamnages and distroyes the stone craig; and lykewayes reported that they had visited the milne stone craig, in which he pretends to have the only right, and stops and impeads any haveing the tounes order from workeing therein. And as to all which matters above reported, it is the committees opinion that the said John Campbell should produce in the clerks hands his rights and wrytes of the lands and others forsaid, to the effect it may appear how farr he hes right and what fewduetie is payable be him thereby to the tounes, and how farr he is bound as to the said bridge; as also it is their opinion that the clerk should call for inspection of the wrytes of the lands belonging to James Bell and William Dunlop, which hold few of the

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Records (1 September, 1632), II., p. 12.

towne, that he may see what they are lyable to of fewduetie or other-  
wayes, and that the clerk desyre the said John Campbell, James Bell and  
William Dunlop, to pay to the thesaurer their bygone fewdueties, and the  
clerk should make report of his dilligence betwixt and the tenth day of  
Agust nixt, that in case the saids persones give no reasonable satisfaction  
in the saids matters such actions of law may be intended and prosecute  
against them as may be most expedient.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, the provest [and others] <sup>Committees</sup> reported that they had visited the milnedame belonging to the baxters <sup>report anent</sup>  
of this burgh, upon the watter of Kelvine, and that they doe find the <sup>the baxters</sup> milnedam.  
baxters to have raised their said dame a considerable hight above the  
said gadge and measure that was formerly concluded and aggreied upon  
be the magistrats and counsell for the tyme and the baxters of the said  
burgh for the tyme, conforme to ane act of counsell dated the twelfth day  
of Jully j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and fyftie six years,<sup>1</sup> and that by the heightening of the said  
dame, as said is, the tounes new milne of Partick will be putt into back  
water, and that it is therefore the reporters opinion that the said dame  
be taken downe and stinted according to the forsaid gadge of twentie four  
inches hight, and that the said baxters be americiated and fyned each of  
them in the soume of fyve hundered merks Scotts, and that they be  
remitted to the magistrats for that effect, and to the effect it may be  
more clear what difference there is betwixt the present hight of the said  
dam and the gadge forsaid, therefore appoynts George Nisbitt, the trades  
baillie [and others] to visite the said dame and measure the present <sup>Committee to</sup>  
hight thereof, and to call for and advertise the deacon of the baxters that <sup>sight the</sup>  
he and such of the masters and others of his calling, whom he pleases <sup>baxters</sup> milnedam.  
to take alongs with him, may be present and witnesses thereto, and to  
report the nixt counsell day.

7 August 1697.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, George Nisbitt, ane of <sup>The baxters</sup>  
the baillies, [and others] reported that, conforme to the toune counsell <sup>milnedam</sup>  
their appoyntment contained in their act dated the twentie fourth day of <sup>settled.</sup>  
Jully last, the reporters (after advertisement given to the deacon of the

<sup>1</sup> Glasgow Records, II., p. 340.

baxters, conforme to the said act) did repair to the baxters milnedam, and for clearing how far the said milnedam was hightened above the settled and established measure of twentie four inches, or thereby, specified in ane act of the toune counsell dated the twelth day of Jully j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fyftie six years, did there, in presence of James Muirhead, deacon of the baxters, Gavine and John Hepburns, masters of the said craft, and John Crawford, all baxters of this burgh, measure the present hight of the said dam and found the same to be as follows, viz., att the northwest sluice at the head of the lead, nixt to the dam dyke, to be twelve inches above the said settled measure, the measure being taken frae a solide craig in the bottom of the watter, at the midle of the entrie of the said sluice, to the tope of the milnedam there, be a levell, and at the northeast end thereof to be nyne inches and ane halfe above the said established measure, and at the midle of the dam dyke to be six inches higher than the said measure, the saids tuo last parts being measured from the tope of the watter to the tope of the dam dyke, according to the levell of the watter at the said sluice; as also reported that since the said measureing the said deacon had delyvered to the provest and to them ane submission, subscribed be him and be the masters of the said calling and be their collector, which was produced and openly read in presence of the counsell, and whereof the tenor follows:—Be it kend to all men, be thir presents, us, James Muirhead, deacon of the baxters, William M'Krae, Gavine Hepburne, James Crawford, Robert Buchanan, James Morrison, Thomas Findlay and John Hepburne, masters of the said calling, and John Auchinloss, collector thereto, for ourselves and in name and behalfe of the remainder of the incorporation of the baxters of the burgh of Glasgow: Forsuameikleas, in the year of God j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and fyftie six years, there being debat betwixt the toune counsell of the said burgh and the said incorporation anent the building of the baxters milnedame, upon the watter of Kelvine, higher than the just settled hight, and the toune counsell haveing appoynted a visite upon the said dam, it was thereafter aggried to betwixt the toune counsell and the said incorporation that the hight of the said dam should be twentie four inches or thereby in all tyme thereafter, as is specified in the said toune counsell their act dated the twelth day of Jully j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and fyftie six years forsaid, and now in regaird there

are of new complaints made that the said dam is hightened above the said setled measure, to the prejudice of the tounes milne, and wee being willing that there may be no just ground of complaint in the said matter, and being confident in the justice of the toune counsell, doe therefore hereby referr and submitt ourselves to the determination of the said toune counsell in the matter abovewriten, humblie desyreing and expecting that they will have regaird to the good of the baxters milnes and allow what more hight (then the setled measure forsaid) they think fitt, without doeing prejudice to the tounes owne milne. . . . Which report and submission abovewriten being maturely considered be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, and they being willing to deall tenderly with the baxters in the said matter (in regaird of their said submission) in so far as may not be prejudicial to the tounes milne, doe hereby determine, enact, appoynt and ordaine that the hight of the baxters said milne dam shall be in all tyme comeing twentie four English inches, which is the present setled measure of this kingdome, and is ane inch and three quarters of ane inch more then the forsaid setled standart appoynted be the said act of counsell dated the twelfth day of July j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> fyftie six years, which were then the old Scotts inches, and that the baxters shall, betwixt and the tenth day of September nixt, take downe the said dame and regulate the hight thereof, conforme to the said now established measure, under the penalty of ane thousand merks, attour performance; as also to evite differences and debats in the said matter hereafter, that the dean of gild cause make ane measure of brass, consisting of the saids twentie four inches, and engrave or make letters thereupon which may clearly express the said hight of the said dam, whereof the baxters are to have a just double, and that the baxters of the burgh in all tyme comeing never presume to highten their said dam above the said now established measure and standart forsaid; with certification to them if they failyie they shall be punished be the magistrats of this burgh or toune counsell thereof, and sicklyke that the deacon and masters of the said calling and their collector subscribe this present act and determination. [Here follow signatures.]

The magistrats and toune counsell appoynts baillie Nisbitt, the dean of gild, William Barclay, master of wark, and Francis Stivenson to see

A committee  
to see the said  
act made  
effectual.

that the baxters milnedam be taken downe and regulated to twentie four inches of hight, conforme to ane act of counsell of the date hereof.

Fewars of  
Portglasgows  
halfe of the  
gleib.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, the dean of gild reported that he procured from the fewars of Portglasgow ane obleidgement, dated the (*blank*) day of Jully last, for payment to the minister of Portglasgow of the equall halfe of ane hundered merks, yearly, obleidged be the counsell for a gleib, in manner specified in ane act dated the twentie fourth of Jully last.

Wailling  
herring;  
Quinslie  
Boge.

The magistrats and toune counsell, considering there are complaints made that the herring are wailed before they come to the Broomielaw, and that the tounes boge in Provan called Quinslie Boge is abused and prejudged be casting peits therein and breaking the sward thereof, doe therefore hereby nominat and appoynt baillie Nisbitt [and others] as a committie to make inquiry in the saids matters and to report their thoughts thereof.

14 August 1697.

Mr. Robert  
Miller to be  
ordained.

The magistrats and toune counsell appoynts the provest [and others] to repair to Portglasgow, to be present on Wensday nixt at the ordination of Mr. Robert Miller to be minister of Portglasgow.

21 August 1697.

Warrand,  
Lady Wood-  
halls buriall,  
Secretarie.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to the dean of gild [£21 7s.] Scotts money, as his and others their expenssis in going to the Lady Woodhalls buriall and upon a visite made be the provest and others to the Secretarie att Hamiltoun.

Amendo-  
ments upon  
proposealls for  
mantaineing  
of the poor.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, the provest represented that he haveing applyed to the lords of his Majesties privie counsell for their approbation of proposealls for the more easie and effectuell mantaineing of the poor within this burgh, as the same are contained and exprest in and approven by ane former act of the toune counsell dated the sixth day of March last, and of ane act and commission made be the toune counsell for makeing the said proposealls effectuell, dated the twentie day of the said moneth of March last,<sup>1</sup> his Majesties advocat had acquainted the provest that the lords of his Majesties privie counsell had appoynted the lord advocatt, the lord Halcraig and Sir John Maxwell

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 232-5, 237-8.

of Netherpollock, three of their number, as a committee for takeing the saids proposealls to consideration, and that they haveing mett thereupon they had found that the following alteration should be made in the saids proposealls, viz. :—

(1) In the fourth article thereof, these words ought to be delate viz. :— or in any other place within or without the kingdome.

(2) In the fyfth article, and after the words voluntarily entering, there be added the words following, viz. :—with consent of their parents if they have any, and if they themselves be under the age of fyfteen years, and if at or above that age entering allwayes voluntarily as said is.

(3) In the seventh article, these words (not exceeding one in the hundered of the yearly incomes) be exprest as follows, viz. :—not exceeding one in the hundered, yearly, of the yearly incomes.

Which representation abovewriten, and alterations forsaid therein contained, being heard and considdered be the saids magistrats and counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof and appoynts the provest to see the clerk alter and rectifie the saids proposealls in the minute and principall counsell books accordingly, and the clerk to give out extracts conforme thereunto.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, the provest reported that he [and others] being at Portglasgow, at the ordination of master Robert Miller to be minister there, had been takeing to their consideration the case of the harbour, and finding the samen affected and endamnadged with mudd, redd, stones, dirt and otherwayes, they as takeing burden upon them for the toune counsell on the ane part, and baillie John Crawford, merchant in Portglasgow, and Robert Cuninghame, chamberland to the estate of Newark, on the other part, had entered into a mutuall contract, dated the nynteen day of this instant, whereby the said John Crawford and Robert Cuninghame are bound, conjunctly and severally, for cleanseing the said harbour, in manner therein specified, as deep as the pavement stone on the ground of the sluice under the pend newly builded at the turn or bight of the key by a levell, and to carrie away all they take out to such convenient and secure places, so as not to prejudge the harbour or channell, and the said work is to be perfyted within the space of tuo years after the first of Aprile nixt; for the which

The key of  
Portglasgow  
to be cleansed.

causes, and on the other part, the reporter and the other persones forsaids, for the toune, are obleidged that the toune counsell shall enact themselves for payment of ane thousand pounds Scotts money, ane halfe thereof upon the said first day of Aprile nixt and the other halfe at the perfyteing of the said work, with annualrent after the respective termes. Which contract does (for the saids John Crawford and Robert Cunninghame their better encouragement) containe ane obleidgement for procureing to them ane act of the toune counsell of this burgh, obleidgeing that no ships, barks or vessells lyeing within the harbour, precincts or privilidge of Portglasgow, shall take on board any ballist, except by the permission of the saids John Crawford and Robert Cunninghame, under the exception therein specified, and they to have the privilidge for furnishing and bound to furnish ballist for the space of fyve years after the said first of Apryle nixt, at the rates therein specified. . . . Which report and contract abovewritten being produced, read and considered in counsell, the saids magistrats and toune counsell have approved and hereby approves thereof and the hail contents of the samen, and hereby enacts and obleidges themselves and their successors in office to the performance thereof, in sua farr as the provest [and others] are bound thereby.

How ballist is  
to be fur-  
nished to  
vessells at  
Portglasgow.

The magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to consideration that be a contract dated the nynteen day of this instant, past betwixt the provest [and others] as takeing burden in and upon them for the toune counsell, on the ane part, and John Crawford, merchant in Portglasgow, and Robert Cunninghame, chamberland to the estate of Newark, on the other part, specified and approven by ane act of the date of thir presents, the said John Crawford and Robert Cunninghame are obleidged to have ane ballist boat allwayes in readieness for the service of the road or harbour of Portglasgow, for furnishing all ships, barks or vessells lyeing within the harbour, precincts or privilidges of Portglasgow, with ballast in manner specified in the said contract, and at the pryces and rates following, and that upon the toune counsell their enacting of themselves in manner afterspecified, therefore the magistrats and toune counsell doe hereby enact and obleidge themselves and their successors in office that no ships, barks or vessells lyeing within the harbour, precincts and privi-



lidges of Portglasgow, whither strangers, natives and inhabitants, shall take on board any kind of ballist, sand, stone or chingle, but by the allowance and permission of the said John Crawford and Robert Cunningham, or any haveing their commission, excepting allwayes the ballist that shall be taken on board with the said ships, barks or vessells their owne boats, or shifting of ballist with any other vessell lyeing in the said road or harbour, or with such small vessells as may take in their ballist from or out of any part of the ground where they shall happen to lye, and that without the help of any other boat; for which the said John Crawford and Robert Cunningham are to have payment made to them of six shilling Scotts money for each tunn of sand ballist, and ten shilling Scotts for each tunn of stone or chingle ballist, and which priviledge they are to enjoy for the space of fyve years after the first day of Apryle nixt, they furnishing ballist tymeously and thankfully as said is, at the rates forsaid; as the said contract approven as said is more fully bears; and therefore the saids magistrats and counsell discharges all persones whatsoever, natives, strangers or inhabitants, from takeing on board of their ships, barks or vessells, lyeing within the road or harbour forsaid, any kind of ballist aforsaid (excepting as is aforsaid) without the consent and appoyntment of the said John Crawford and Robert Cunningham, or others haveing their order, dureing the said space, and that under the paine of the contraveeners being lyeable in and makeing payment to the saids persones of the rates and pryces of the ballist as is above exprest; and ordaines and impowers the baillie of Portglasgow to see this present act put to executione.

4 September 1697.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, the provest represented that severall of the inhabitants of this burgh are desyreous that a gentle-  
 woman, fitt for educateing and teaching of young gentlewomen, should be setled in this burgh, and that he and others haveing taken paines in that affair, Mary Young, sister to Mistres Elizabeth Young, attending her grace the Dutchess of Hamilton, had been recomended to them as a very fitt person to the effect forsaid, but that it was expedient that something were secured to her for her encouragement; which representation above-  
 Act in favours of Mary Young.

written being taken to consideration be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof, and, for the said Mary Young her encouragement, hereby enacts and obleidges themselves and successors in office for payment to her of the soume of two hundered merks Scotts money, yearly, dureing the tyme of her abode and teaching within this burgh as said is and being usefull to the effect forsaid.

John Telfer,  
clerk of Port-  
glasgow.

The magistrats and toune counsell, considdering that it is needfull that a notar reside at Portglasgow for being clerk to the courts to be kepted be the tounes baillie there, and otherwayes excoercyseing his employment there, therefor nominats and appoynts John Telfer, notar in Greenock, to be clerk at Portglasgow to the saids courts to be kepted as said is, dureing the counsells pleasure.

Warrant for  
Alexander  
Cunninghame,  
witches.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to Alexander Cunninghame, servitor to Wiliam Carmichell, keeper of the tolbuith, the soume of [£82 14s. 4d.] Scotts money, depursed be him for the mantainance of the witches who are prisoners here in the tolbuith, be order of the commissioners, from the twentie tuo of May last to this day, conforme to a particular accompt thereof.

18 *September* 1697.

Report anent  
the baxters  
milnedam.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, George Nisbitt, baillie, [and others] reported that, upon the seventh day of September instant, they, in obedience to tuo severall former acts of the toune counsell, both dated the seventh day of Agust last, they had visited the baxters milnedam and had measured the samen, and found that the said dam was now taken down and made of twentie four inches of hight, conforme to the saids acts and the now established and settled gadge and measure therein specified, off which gadge the dean of gild haveing caused make tuo doubles in copper, of twentie four inches length as said is, marked with the dean of gilds seall on the ends of the same, he had delyvered one of the doubles to the deacon of the baxters and ane other to the toune clerk; which report being considdered be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, they in respect thereof declaired and hereby declairs the baxters liberat and free of the penalty of ane thousand merks specified in the first of the saids tuo acts.

Ordaines Robert Dickie, thesaurer, to pay [several sums, extending Warrand, in all to £665 2 s., whereof £507 2 s.] for furnishing and making of cloaths <sup>anent the officers</sup> and other necessars to the twelve toune officers and to the tuo toune cloaths. drummers and Bridgend officer; [£117 4 s. 6 d.] for ribbons to the burges tickets since February last, and [£40 16 s.] for stamping six thousand lead tickets for the comunion and making of some weights for the meall mercatt.

Ordaines George Muirhead, late thesaurer, to have allowance of [£18] Warrand, late thesaurer. Scotts money, as the tounes part (effeiring to their part of the stock in the African trade) of the expenssis of severall persones goeing to Edinburgh upon the accompt of the said trade, the said expenssis being twelve shilling upon the hundered pounds sterling.

The magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to consideration that it <sup>A visite to the Grammer School,</sup> has been the custome of their prediccursors to visite the Grammer School, doe therefore appoynt the provest, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveneer to visite the said school and call for the ministers of this burgh for their assistance and making inquirie in and take consideration of the goverment and manadgement thereof and proficiencie of the schoolars and report.

Appoynts the clerk to draw a tack betwixt the toune counsell and Milnership of James Campbell, milner at the Subdeans Milne, setting in tack to him <sup>the subdeans milne.</sup> of the milnership of the said milne for nynteen years, by which the said James is to be bound to repair the milne and haill goeing graith thereof, and dight the dam and wattergang thereof, and putt all these in a good case, and keep them in a good condition dureing the said tack, and the tack to contain all other claussis in tacks of the lyke nature; and upon subscriyveing the counsell shall order him fyftie merks for his help and encouragement.

25 September 1697.

Ordaines the thesaurer to pay to George Nisbitt, baillie, the soume of Warrand for fourtie four pounds Scotts, deduceing sex pounds payed thereof, which <sup>baillie Nisbitt.</sup> soume is due to Thomas Alstoune, cordiner, for carts which the baillie ordained to be furnished to leivtennent collonell Wishart, for the Kings use, and which he did not pay, and for which there is decret since

obtained before the commissar against the said baillie dated the sixteen day of August last.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Robert Dickie, thesaurer, to pay to [two merchants £88 7s. 4 d.] Scotts money, which is the expenssis of a treat given be the toun to my lord Ross and his lady.

2 October 1697.

The toun to  
defend a  
persute be  
John  
Sprowell.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, John Aird, younger, dean of gild, and Simon Tennent, deacon conveener, represented that they were cited at the instance of John Sprowll, merchant, *alias* Bass John, to compeir before the high admirall for matters unknowen to them unless in prosecuteing of their offices, in matters to which they were authorized be the toun counsell and the tuo houses; which being considered be the magistrats and toun counsell, they enact and obleidge themselves and their successors in office to defend and skaithless keep the saids dean of gild and deacon conveener in the said matter, and recomends to the magistrats to prosecute such legall methods as they think fitt for makeing the said John Sprowell sensible of his misdemannour in the said matter.

Burgesses not  
residentors to  
have no privi-  
lidge.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, takeing to consideration that there are many complaints made be burgesses inhabitants of this burgh, and who bear scott and lott in the samen, that there [are] a great many burgesses of this burgh who neither leive nor bears scott and lott within the samen and yet doe use freemans trade within the said burgh, and that some of the burgesses inhabitants doe pack and peill with such, to the great prejudice of the freedome and intrest of this burgh, doe therefore hereby statute, ordaine and declair that no person or persones who are burgesses of this burgh and live not nor bear burden, scott and lott within the samen, shall have in tyme comeing any privilage or libertie by their burgesship untill they come and have their residence and dwelling within the said burgh and bear scott and lott as said is; as also that all burgesses inhabitants of this burgh who pack or peill with them and collour their goods under collour of their owne shall be holden and repute packers and peillers with unfreemen and

prosecuted and punished accordingly, and appoynts the dean of gild and deacon conveyer to make intimation of thir presents to the tuo houses.

5 October 1697.

[James Peadie, provost; John Aird, younger, George Muirhead, merchants, Election of provest and bailies.  
John Wodrope, of the crafts rank, bailies.]

8 October 1697.

[The magistrats of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen Councillors to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be coun-chosen. cillors for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1697.

Ordaines Robert Dickie, thesaurer, to pay to George Lauder, mer-Warrand, chant, [£163 15s. 10d.] Scotts money, spent be the magistrats in his noblemen and strangers.  
house in entertaineing of some noblemen and strangers.

13 October 1697.

[Robert Rodgers, dean of guild; Simon Tennent, deacon conveyer; Robert Dean of guild, Alexander, treasurer; George Nisbett, bailie of Gorbals; Gavine Wood, water &c. bailie; William Barolay, master of work; John Paull, visitor of maltmen; John Mudie, visitor of gardeners.]

23 October 1697.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveyed, doe nominat, com-Provest missionat and appoynt John Anderson of Dowhill, late provest, to repair Anderson to goe to the to Edinburgh to attend a generall convention of the burrows, called to generall convention of burrows. meett there, upon the eleventh day of November nixt, for settleing the staple port and for takeing to consideration what privilidge for trade may be obtained to this nation, at the treatie of commerce to be holden at London, betwixt England and France, and for takeing things to consideration anent unfree traders, as is specified in the missive directed for that effect, and appoynts the clerk to give him a commission *in communi forma*.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 8 oz. 9 drop; rough tallow to be sold for 48 s. Bread, tallow, Scots the stone; and candle for 54 s. 8 d. Scots the stone.] candle.

27 November 1697.

Warrant, late  
thesaurer,  
for wines.

Ordaines Robert Dickie, late thesaurer, to pay [severall sums for "claret wine and seck"], and which haill wines were all given to the tounes freinds, except ane hogshead of the said claret wine, which was for the use of the communion; extending in all the saids pryces to [£74 3s. 4d.] sterling money forsaid; *inde* in Scotts money to eight hundered and nynie pound.

7 January 1698.

William  
Boyll, free of  
stent and  
quartering.

The magistrats and toun counsell, in answer to ane supplication given in be William Boyll, late deacon of the weivers, shewing that he was setting up worklooms for working of fyne damask stuffs not formerly wrought in this burgh, which would be expensive to him, and therefore craveing encouragement for that effect, they ordaine and appoynt that the said William Boyll shall hereafter be free of stent and quartering within this burgh dureing the counsells pleasure, and that for his encouragement to sett up the said work.

Mansion  
house of  
Provan.

Ordaines George Buchanan to repair the floors and windows of the mansion house of the Provan, the expenssis thereof not exceeding twenty pounds Scotts.

28 January 1698.

Few right  
subserivit of  
fyve peices of  
ground in  
Goosdubs.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscribed the fewrights afterspecified, in favours of the persones afternamed, of the severall peices of ground in that part of the Bridgegate called Goosdubs, as is after-mentioned, for the few dueties afterspecified, viz.:—

(1) "William Stivenson, merchant, and Margaret Smellie, his spouse, for her lyferent use allenary, of a peice of ground upon the north syde of the Bridgegate Street," with a frontage to the street of 12½ feet and extending to a back street 60 feet. Yearly feuduty, 13 s. 4 d. Scots.

(2) "John M'Clauchlane, merchant, and Christan Scott, his spouse, for her lyferent use allenary, of a peice of ground upon the west syde of the said former peice of ground," with a frontage of 12½ feet, and extending to the back street, 64 feet on the west side and 62 feet along a wynd on the east side. Same feuduty as preceding.

(3) "Peter Corbett, maltman, and (*blank*) Herbertson, his spouse, for her lyferent use as said is, of ane other peice of ground upon the west syde of the said wynd, with houses lately builded thereupon consisting of" 25 feet in front

to Bridgegate Street, and extending to the back street 80 feet on the west side and 71 feet on the east side. Yearly feuduty, 20 s. Scots.

(4) "James Ramsay, wright, and (*blank*), his spouse, for her lyferent, of ane peice of ground consisting of 24 fouts of front and breadth fronting to the wynd leading frae the said Bridgegate to umquhill baillie Millers land in the said back street and 24 fouts backward . . . with the hail houses and others lately builded thereupon; bounded with the said wynd on the east, the tenement and closs of John Aird, younger, on the south, the tenement and ground of George Nisbitt on the west." Yearly feuduty, 6 s. 8 d. Scots.

(5) "George Nisbitt, late deacon conveyener, of ane peice of ground on the east syde of the foot of the Stockwellgate, fronting towards the street thereof, consisting of fiftie fouts of length in the front and extending backward as is particularly specified in the said few right, with the new great foir tenement upon the said front, and hail office houses and others upon the remainder of the said ground all lately builded be the said George . . . bounded with the said tenement of James Ramsay and the stable of John Aird, elder, upon the east, the lands pertaining to the said John Aird, elder, and John Aird, younger, and to umquhill John Watson upon the south, and the Stockwell Street and the ground pertaining to George Muir upon the west, and ground pertaining to the said George Muir and the back street on the north parts." Yearly feuduty, 40 s.

19 February 1698.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, there was ane petition given in be Delles Desbois, sometyne merchant at Rochell, a French protestant, showing that haveing fled from France to shun persecution he was desyreous to endeavour to purchase ane honest livliehood and see what he could doe for himselfe by teaching the French language in this citie, therefore craveing the counsellis countenance and protection and what encouragement they use to bestow to others in his circumstances; which supplication being read in presence of the magistrats and toun counsell, they hereby allow the petitioner to teach the French language within this burgh, but delayes to give answer to that part of the petition anent encouragement untill they have prooff of his usefullness and good behaviour in this place.

Act in favours  
of Delles  
Desbois.

12 March 1698.

The magistrats and toun counsell ordaines Robert Dickie, late Warrant, late thesaurer, to have allowance in his owne hands of [£245 0s. 8d.] Scotts money, as the pryce of tuo hundered daills furnished be him to the repairing of the ministers house and meitting house of Portglasgow and

otherwayes to the tounes use, and for sklaitts for the tounes use at Portglasgow preceeding the second of March instant.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
for provest  
Anderson.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to make payment to John Anderson of Dowhill, late provest, of the soume of seventie pounds Scotts money, as his expenssis in attending the late convention of burrowes at Edinburgh, and the laird of Aikenheads who went there to subscribe cautioner for the toune to the tack of the customs.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
Alexander  
Cunninghame.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to pay to Alexander Cuninghame, servitor to the jayleor, [£66 8s.] Scotts, as expenssis in mantaineing witches and warlocks in the tolbuith preceeding the seventh of March instant, who were imprisoned be order of the commissioners of justiciarie at Paisley, as per revised accompt.

Warrant, late  
thesaurer, for  
Francis  
Stivenson.

Ordaines Robert Dickie, late thesaurer, to pay to Francis Stivenson, wright, [£345 4s. 10d.] Scotts money, resting to him for repairing the ministers house and meitting house of Portglasgow and building a seat in the meitting house to the toune, and for his owne paines and attendance at the said hail work.

The baillie of  
Gorballs to  
stope a  
passage.

The magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to consideration that they have received many complaints from the tacksmen of the lands of Gorballs that many of the inhabitants of Gorballs, and others, make roads and heigh wayes through the saids lands, and particularly these parts called Saint Ninians Croft, and that part thereof upon the east syde of the tounes great yaird there, not only to the destruction of the seed when sowen but of the cropt in harvest tyme, and that the counsell haveing formerly appoynted George Nisbitt, late baillie, now baillie of the Gorballs, to have taken consideration of the saids complaints, and he haveing now made his report, and the saids magistrats and toune counsell haveing taken the said matter and the said baillies report to consideration, they hereby recomend to and appoynt the said baillie of the Gorballs to stope all such roads and heigh wayes, and him and his successors in office to restraine and hinder any frae useing thereof in tyme comeing.

What ruinous  
tenements  
ought not to  
be stented.

The magistrats and toune counsell, being informed that these many years bygone the stent masters have been in use to stent old waste and ruinous tenements, not inhabited for many years, of which no payment can be gott, do therefor hereby commissionat and appoynt John Anderson



of Dowhill, [and others], to take informatione of the said matter, and inspection of the stent books thereanent, and report their thoughts thereof; as also committs to their consideratione severall petitions given in to the counsell, alseweell be poor people as others, which are in the dean of gilds hands, that they may be rype to report their thoughts thereof the next counsell day.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, they, in pursuance of ane act of the lords of his Majesties privie counsell, dated the twentie third day of November last, obtained at the instance of William lord Ross, for himselfe and in name of the most of the heretors and pariocheners of Paisley, allowing a voluntar contribution to be collected throw the whole pariochins within this kingdome, for building of a bridge over the water of Cart, and recomending the collecting thereof at the severall houssis and dwelling places within the saids respective parochins, in manner more fully exprest in the said act, doe hereby nominat [one person for each of the north, middle, east, west and south quarters] of this burgh to joyne with the fyve elders appoynted be the fyve kirk sessions, for collecting of the said contribution conforme to the said act.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, anent the lybell or complaint pursued at the instance of Charles Stewart, procurator fiscall of court, against Jean Park, relict of umquhill John Gilmourlie, (blank) Elizabeth Browne, spouse to William Carmichell, keeper of the tolbuith of the said burgh, (blank) Maxwell, spouse to Neill M'Ilviccar, tanner, younger, and the saids William Carmichell and Neill M'Ilviccar for their intrresses, and Mareon Gay, relict of umquhill (blank) Syme (blank), making mention that, notwithstanding by the acts and constitutions of this burgh and burges oath therof sworne be burgesses at their admission, they are to doe nothing hurtfull to the common weell of this burgh, nor brew or cause brew any malt but what is grind at the tounes milnes, and that the magistrats and toun counsell had the excyse of this burgh for ane year preceeding the first day of March instant, for the tounes behove and common good thereof, and for their better management thereof had appoynted a check at each of the tounes milnes for information anent what malt each brewer had laid in to them, as also that the using of false senistrous wayes to be free from the Kings excyse is a crime

Contribution  
for Lord Ross,  
bridge over  
the Cart.

Persons fyned  
for takeing  
malt by the  
milnes, etc.

severly punishable, especially when committed be burgesses and those haveing the priviledge of burgesses, to the prejudice of the commonweell of the burgh; yet nevertheless the persones afternamed have, upon ane or other of the dayes of the moneths of November or December last, contraveened the saids acts and constitutions and burges oath, and committed the saids crymes in manner following, ilk ane of them for their owne parts as is afterdivyded, viz., Imprimis, the said Jean Park did steall by the tounes milnes ane maske of malt, and consequently did cheat the toun of his Majesties excyse therof, in so far as William Ferguson, servitor to John King, maltman (who hes since confessed before the magistrats to have been a frequent stealler or conveyer of malt by the tounes milnes), did bring the said malt to her house privately, and in token of her knowledge and being guilty of the cheat gave the said William Ferguson fyftie tuo shilling Scotts, as the excyse thereof, and for his paines in stealling or conveyeing the same by the tounes milnes. Item, the said Elizabeth Browne committed the lyke in so farr as she received from the said William Ferguson tuo masks of malt, for which she aggried to pay and accordingly payed to him six shillings sterling, for payment of the excyse thereof and for his stealling the said malt by the tounes milnes as said is. Item, the said (*blank*) Maxwell committed the lyke, in so farr as she received a mask of malt from the said William Ferguson and promised to pay and payed to him four shillings sterling for stealling the same by the tounes milnes, and so freeing herselfe of the excyse therof. Item, the said Mareon Gay committed the lyke in receiveing from the said William Ferguson ane maske of malt and promised to pay and payed to him ane certaine soume for stealling of the said malt to her excyse free. And therefore ilk ane of the saids Elizabeth Browne, Jean Park, (*blank*) Maxwell and Mareon Gay, defenders, and the said William Carmichaell, husband to the said Elizabeth Browne, and the said Neill M'Ilviccar, husband of the said (*blank*) Maxwell, for their intrresses, ought to be fyned in the soume of fyve hundered merks to the fiscall, besydes the confiscation of the said malt or pryces thereof to the tacksmen of the tounes milnes, as use is, and payment of the excyse of the ale browen of the said malt, ilk ane of them for their owne parts, and otherwayes punished in their persons,

to the terror of others to committ the lyke in tyme comeing; as the said complaint bears. Which complaint or lybell being called in presence of the saids magistrats and toune counsell, the said Jean Park and Mareon Gay compeired personally and acknowledged the trueth of the lybell and submitted themselves to the counsell; as also the saids William Carmichell and Neill M'Ilviccar compeired and declaired that their wives did tell them of the trueth of what was lybelled against them, after their committing of the faults lybelled, and told them lykewayes that they had confessed the same before the magistrats some days agoe, and that now their wives were unweell and not able to compeir, but the saids William and Neill declaired they submitted to the counsell's pleasure in the said matter. Which lybell and confessions above writen being considered be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, they hereby americiat and fyned ilk ane of the saids defenders in the soume of ane hundered pounds Scotts, to be payed to the said procurator fiscall, as also each of them in the soume of ten pounds money forsaid for each maske of the said malt lybelled against them, to be payed by them to James Crawford of Gartnavell, tacksman of the townes milnes, and to lye in waird untill payment of the said soumes, as also untill payment of the excyse to George Lauder; but in respect the morrow is the Sabath allows the magistrats to suffer them to goe at libertie until Munday, at eleven of the clock foirnoon, they first finding caution then to enter themselves prisoners or else to pay the said soumes.

14 *March* 1698.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, James Armour, younger, <sup>Act against</sup> merchant, gave in a petition to them shewing he being makeing ane trap <sup>James</sup> stair within his owne drope, for the more conveniencie of his house on <sup>Armour.</sup> the west syde of the closs called Armours Closs, his work was stoped by order of the dean of gild, and craveing libertie to proceed in his said work, as the said supplication more fully bears; whereupon the saids magistrats and toune counsell haveing gone to the place and considered the designed work, and heard the petitioner and some of the neighbouring heretors of houses in the said closs, they find that the petitioner designs to build his timber trap stair farder out upon the closs then the front

of the timber foir stair of his owne house, which would prejudge neighbours, straighten the closs to the more inconvenie of the passage thereof and hazard in caice of fire, and therefore discharges the bringing out of the said trap stair farder then the said foir stair, and appoynts the petitioner to cutt away the eik he hes newly made to the jest in the foir stair.

26 *March* 1698.

Mortification  
of unquhill  
Robert  
Govane.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, takeing to consideration that Robert Govane, brother jermion to John Govan of Hoganfeild, lately deceissed, had mortified, legate and destinate the soume of ane thousand pounds Scotts money, to be furthcomeand for the behoove of the poor of this burgh, and the said soume to be placed in the hands of the magistrats and toune counsell of this burgh, upon the termes and conditions afterspecified, and upon their obleidgeing and enacting of themselves and successors in office as is aftermentioned, therefore the saids magistrats and toune counsell doe hereby enact and appoynt, bind and obleidge themselves and their successors in office, that the yearly annualrent of the said soume shall be applyed to and destributed among honest poor burgesses of this burgh and their relicts, the one halfe being of the merchants rank and the other halfe of the trades rank, their hail number not exceeding twentie, who are all to shair alyke of the said donation, and that the said annualrent shall be divyded upon the first day of February yearly, and if it shall fall to be the Lords Day then upon the nixt day thereafter, beginning the first years destribution upon the first day of February nixt, in the year of God j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie nyne years, and so furth yearly thereafter in all tyme comeing, and that the same be inviolablie observed in all tyme hereafter; as also that the rolls or lists of these indigent persons shall be made and filled up be the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener for the tyme being, with concurrence of the said John Govane of Hoganfeild and James Govane, his brother german, both brether german to the said defunct, while they are on lyfe, and after their deceiss of their nearest airs, and non of these poor to be inrolled without their approbation; and when any of these poor shall be removed by death that others shall be inrolled in their place, with concurances as is abovewriten; and sicklyke the saids magistrats and toune

counsell enacts and obleidges themselves and their successors in office for the true performance of the said mortification and conditions thereof to the saids John and James Govans and their forsaid, as also that Margaret Barns, mother to the said defunct, and the said John Govane and Mary Bell, his spouse, and last liver of them, their tuo families allenarly, shall be free of being burdened with quartering or paying any locality upon that account in tyme comeing; and appoynts Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to receive the said mortified soume of ane thousand pound and to charge himself therewith.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, the provest, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener reported that, notwithstanding by publict roupe made upon the twentie one day of October last, Andrew Scott, younger, merchant in Glasgow, had sett to him the tounes tuo pennies on the pynt for the space of nyne years, commenceing from the first day of November last to the first day of November [1706] years, for the yearly payment of sixteen thousand merks of tack duetie, that yet névertheless the said Andrew being afraid of the event of such a great engadgement was very desyreous to be free thereof, and had severall tymes offerred to assigne and renunce his right to the said roupe and tack in favour of the toune counsell, and that he used this argument for the tounes accepting thereof that they were frequently tacksmen of the excyse of this burgh, and when so that neither expenssis nor trouble would be augmented by the collecting of the said tuo pennies with the excyse; which report abovewriten being taken to mature consideration be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, they in respect thereof (and that the said Andrew Scott had given in to the clerk ane assignation and renuncea-tion granted be him of the said roupe and tack in favours of the toune counsell and their successors in office) doe hereby accept of the said assignation and renuncea-tion, and declair the said Andrew Scott and his free of the said roupe and tack.

[The magistrates and council agreed with George Buchanan, late bailie, for George collecting the imposition of 2 d. on the pint, for a year from 1st March next, he Buchanan col-  
receiving 500 merks Scots for his trouble.] lector thereof.

[In consequence of certain legal proceedings and new arrangements the Disposition  
disposition specified in the act dated 29 September 1694, *antea* pp. 139-40, was subscribed,  
cancelled, and a new disposition of the lands of Silvercraigs was executed in with consent  
of Silver-  
craigs and his  
creditors.

favour of "James Campbell, far of Auchinbreck," but it was not to be delivered till the creditors consented and subscribed a discharge.<sup>1]</sup>

2 April 1698.

Warrant for  
William  
Carmichell.

The magistrats and toune counsell ordaines Robert Dickie, late thesaurer, to pay to William Carmichell, keeper of the tolbuith, [£158 12 s.] Scotts, resting for coalls and candle to the main guard, frae [1 April to 1 September 1697], being six moneths, conforme to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

7 May 1698.

Alteration  
anent wheat  
bread.

[The price of wheat being now £16 per boll, the 12 d. loaf "of fyne flower and weell bakin" is to weigh seven ounces.]

Warrant for  
Robert  
Rodgers.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Rodgers, measson, [£53 3 s. 4 d.] Scotts money, resting to him for measson work in building a house of office at the Grammar Schooll, conforme to ane particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

John Coatts,  
quarter  
master.

The magistrats and toune counsell, considdering the advantage that the inhabitants have by the quarter masters not keeping of a change, doe therefore hereby nominate and appoynt John Coatts, merchant, to be quarter master in place of William Reid, former quarter master, and doe hereby add and eik fyve pound sterling to the former sallarie of ten pound sterling. . . . As also appoynts the magistrats to cause the said William Reid delyver up the seall and books that they may be delyvered to the said John Coatts.

Warrant for  
Desleis  
Desbois.

Ordaines the master of wark to pay to Desles Desbois, a French protestant, fyve dollers for his help and supplee.

Act against  
the inhabi-  
tants going  
to foreigne  
courts and not  
before the  
magistrats.

The provest, baillies and toune counsell, takeing to their considera-  
tion that by the laws and acts of parliament, specially by the acts  
Ja. 3<sup>d</sup>, parl. 5, cap. 27,<sup>2</sup> and parl. 14, cap. 105,<sup>3</sup> it is ordained that all parties  
first pass, for discussing of their actions and obtaining judgement there-  
upon, to their owne judge ordinar, as also that there is nothing more

<sup>1</sup> The disposition was delivered up on  
17th May, 1698.

<sup>2</sup> 1469, c. 2, in Record Edition of Acts of  
Parl., vol. II., p. 94.

<sup>3</sup> 1487, c. 10, *Ib.*, p. 177.

just, orderly and naturall then that comburgesses of the same burgh and citie should mantaine and promote the good order and benefite and advantage of their society and community by all lawfull means and methods, whereof it is manifestly one and not of the smallest concerne and importance, both for the peace and profite of the place, that all questions, grounds of action and differences of that kind, should be cognosced and terminat within themselves and by the powers and jurisdictions competent to the society, in so farr as they may reach that end, without these fellow burgesses their goeing themselves or carrieing others before extraneous courts, whose jurisdiction is either doubtfull or less competent, at least the exercise thereof in the foirmentioned caises, nothing so profitable and adventagious for the common weell and the utility of their forsaid society. Notwithstanding wherof, partly through the ill advysed proceedings and partly throw the litigious and malicious humor of some of the neighbours and comburgesses, there have been processes intented, raised and prosecute by them against their fellow burgesses and others before the baillie of the regality of Glasgow and other judges, whose jurisdiction is either incompetent, doubtfull or less proper for the saids comburgesses, and whilk processes might have been more orderly and easiely begun and ended before the ordinary courts and jurisdictions of the burgh, which tendeth not only to the manifest contempt and discouragement of the respective magistrats and judges of this burgh, their clerks, fiscalls, officers and other dependers, but to the prejudice of the haille community, in respect these magistrats and judges does actually applye the fynes, unlaws and amerciament of their courts, for supplee of the poor and for pious uses within this burgh. And lykewayes, the saids magistrats and toune counsell, takeing to their consideration that by the charters and rights of this burgh they have power, commission and authority granted to them to make such acts and statutes as may be conducing for the common weell and advantage of this burgh, and that not only the dean of gild and the members of the merchant house and the remainder of the merchant rank, but also that the deacon conveener and members of the trades house, with consent and at the desyre of each particular incorporation of the trades of this burgh, being conveened in their respective houssis, have out of their due sense of the

premissis addressed and applyed to the saids magistrats and toune counsell to the effect afterspecifeit, as is more fully expressed and contained in the severall acts of the merchants and trades houses and of the said incorporations of the severall trades of this burgh, made thereupon and produced and read in counsell; therefore the saids magistrats and toune counsell hereby enact, statute and ordaine that non of the neighbours and burges of this burgh, or other inhabitants of the samen, present and to come, shall for hereafter, directly or indirectly, move, intent, prosecute or cause to be moved, prosecuted or pursued, by themselves or any others of their causing, or whom they may lawfully stope or lett, or to their behooves, any proces or action whatsoever for debt, slander, wrong, ryot, blood, removeing, liniating, or any other action or proces competent to be determined by the magistrats, judges and respective courts of this citie, before the baillie of regality or any other incompetent, doubtfull, foraigne, or less proper jurisdiction, but before the saids ordinary magistrats, judges and courts in the first instance allenarly, and that under the paine of ten pounds Scotts money to be payed by each contraveener or who shall doe in the contrairie, *toties quoties*, to be exacted be the saids magistrats, and the ane halfe thereof to be given to the dean of gild, in caise the contraveener be a merchant, to be applyed to the poor of that rank, or to the deacon of the trade to which the contraveener belongs, in caise he be of the trades rank, to be applyed (with consent of the deacon conveener for the tyme) be the deacon and masters of that trade to the poor of that trade, and the other halfe thereof to be applyed be the magistrats for pious uses, after deduction of the expenssis; and in lykemanner appoynts the magistrats, present and to come, to be dilligent and carefull in putting this act to vigorous execution, as also in preserving the priviledges and liberties of this burgh by all legall means and courses can be justly followed, from the incrotchment of all foraigne jurisdiction within this burgh, tending to the diminution of the rights and priviledges, old or new, made in favours of the samen, upon the publict expenssis of the burgh.

7 June 1698.

Common good [Mills, 9,200 merks; ladles, 5,890 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,010  
set. merks; trou, 1,910 merks; bridge, 2,110 merks; carts, 400 merks; crane, 1,360  
merks.]



The magistrats and toune counsell have subscribed a call, as heretors <sup>Mr. James Stirling, Barronie Kirk.</sup> of the lands of Provan within the Barronie paroch, to Mr. James Stirling, minister at Kilbarchan, to be minister of the said paroch.

28 *June* 1698.

The magistrats and toune counsell, considdering that be ane tack <sup>Provest Anderson to subscribe a margine on the tack of Westercommon.</sup> be way of contract, dated the seventeen and nynteen days of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie six years, past betwixt the then magistrats and toune counsell, on the ane part, and William Dunlop and James Bell, merchants in the said burgh, on the other part, the then magistrats and counsell have sett to the said William Dunlop and James Bell the lands of Westercommon, then possest be James Scott and meithed and marched as is particularly exprest in the said tack, and seeing that not only the said tacksmen but lykewayes the magistrats and toune counsell are affrayed that some doubts and debate may afterwards arise from the way that the lands so sett are denominat and exprest in the said tack (viz., the lands of Westercommon possest be James Scott), whereas there were some peices of ground measured out to the tacksmen which either were not possest be him, or whereof his possession was much interrupted, notwithstanding that the bounding in the tack does fully comprehend the same, therefore and for preventing any difficultie or debate that may afterwards arise thereanent, the magistrats and toune counsell doe hereby appoynt that in that place forsaid of the said tack where the lands of Westercommon possest be James Scott are exprest, that the following words be subjoyned thereto on the margine, viz., together with some other peices of land adjacent to the saids lands now measured out therewith; and appoynts provest Anderson, then provest, to subscribe the said margine.

12 *July* 1698.

The magistrats and toune counsell, considdering that George Lockhart <sup>Tuo stent-masters chosen in place of tuo absent.</sup> and James Montgomerie, merchants, tuo of the stentmasters (chosen con-forme to a former act dated the twentie eight of June last) are necessarily abroad about their affairs, the said George being gone to Lerpoll where a ship pertaining to him is lately arrived, and the said James being at Edinburgh where he will be necessarily detained for a month or fyve

weeks, so that of necessity others must be chosen in their place, doe therefore hereby elect and appoynt [other two merchants to be stentmasters in their place.]

1 *August* 1698.

Wee received no news letters from Mr. Murray after the first of August 1698, and wee began to receive news letters from a blank person upon the 10 of the said moneth, moneth and year forsaied.<sup>1</sup>

27 *August* 1698.

Freedome of  
a burges relict  
and daughter.

The magistrats and toune counsell, upon a representation made be Margaret M'Capie, relict of unquhill James Park, measson, son to unquhill William Park, maltman, burges of this burgh, that her said husband died suddenly before he was entered burges be the right of his said father, doe therefore allow her to have the libertie and freedome of a burges relict and her daughter to have the libertie of a burges daughter, notwithstanding the said deceist James Park entered not in his lyfetye.

Warrant,  
Bridgegate  
clock.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Rodgers, dean of gild, six pounds sterling payed out be him to David Weir, hammerman, for mending the Bridgegate clock and making a pendulum thereto.

13 *September* 1698.

Warrant,  
three poor  
students.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to pay to each of the three youth students afternamed, viz., John Howison, son to umquhill John Howison, tayleor, James Cullane, son to umquhill James Cullane, maltman, and Robert Crawford, son to Robert Crawford, maltman, to each of them twelve pounds Scotts, to help them to buy books and to encourage them in their studies.

Agreement  
anent  
damage to  
kilne and  
passage to  
quarrie.

The magistrats and dean of gild reported that they had visited the kilne and yaird on the west syde thereof be east the Ladywell, lately pertaining to Mary Rowand, relict of unquhill John Bryce, merchant, and now of late dispooned be her to Robert Leitch, calsayer, and that they

<sup>1</sup> Written on a fly-leaf of MS. Council Record, beginning 12th March, 1698.

find, by working of stones out of the whinn rock above the north gavill of the kilne, and by stones falling downe frae the rock, the killne gavill was bruised and the kilne putt in under water and the well of the kilne filled with stones, whereby the saids heretors of the kilne being damnified for many years bygone, the reporters thought it just that the loss should be repaired; as lykeweyes in respect it is needfull that the toun have ane sufficient entrie and passage for carts and others to and frae the said whinn quarrie, the said Robert Leitch had agried with them that the tounes passage to the quarrie should be as follows, viz., the entrie frae the south to the said kilne and craig is to remaine as it now is, being three elnes broad betwixt the beitrigh on the west syde of the south end of the kilne and the yaird dyke, untill ye come within four elnes of the kilne door, and then from that to strike off through the yaird in a straight lyne to the west syde of the aish tree, at the head of the yaird (which tree grows about four elnes or thereby frae George Grahames yaird), leaving the tree upon the northeast syde of the dyke to be builded be the said Robert for makeing the march, so that all the ground be east the said dyke to be builded as said is (except the said well) is to be the tounes passage to the said quarrie and craig, the said Robert Leitch haveing allwayes free ish and entrie to the said kilne and well as formerlie; and for which damage and passage, respective, forsaid, the reporters have agried to give to the said Mary Rowand the sowme of ane hundered merks, and that she and the said Robert Leitch be discharged of all fewdueties of the kilne and yaird, not only bygones but in all tyme comeing, the said Robert allwayes first building a sufficient dyke upon the west syde of the said passage for divydeing betwixt the same and his said yaird. Which agreement and report abovewritten being taken to consideration be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof, and hereby exoners and discharges the saids Mary Rowand and Robert Leitch of the hail fewdueties due and payable to this burgh out of the said kilne and yaird, and that not only of all years and termes bygone but lykeweyes renunes and discharges the same for all tyme hereafter, and sicklyke ordaines Robert Alexander, thesaurer, to make payment to the said Mary Rowand of the said soume of ane hundered merks Scotts.

1 October 1698.

Discharge  
subscribed in  
favors of Sir  
John Shaw.

The magistrats and tounne counsell have subscribed a discharge in favors of Sir John Shaw, now of Greenock, mentioning ane tack past be way of contract betwixt John Shaw, elder of Greenock, and Sir John Shaw, younger thereof, grandsire and father to the said Sir John now of Greenock, on the ane part, and the directors of the Fishing Societie therein-named, on the other part, dated the seventh day of February j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> seventie ane years, whereby the saids John and Sir John Shaws, elder and younger, setts to the said societie ane peice of ground lyeing within the tounne of Greenock pertaining to them, containing fourtie tuo elnes in length and twentie seven elnes in breadth, as the same was enclosed be the said societie, for the space of nynteen years, and after the expiration thereof for many nynteen years particularly specified in the said tack, whereby also the said societie were to pay yearly fyftie merks of tackduetie and ane hundered pounds at the entrie of ilk nynteen years, and it is thereby agried that in caise it should happen the herring fishing to fall within the Mules of Galloway and Kintyre, or that it should happen the said fishing society to dissolve or break up, that then in these or either of these cases the said tack should become void, and the saids John and Sir John Shaws were obleidged to pay the just third part of what houses should be builded upon the said ground, in manner specified in the said tack, which is registrat in the books of counsell and session the twentie one day of July j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> seventie three years; as also mentioning that John Barnes, late provest of Glasgow, who had right to the said tack be assignation dated the twenty tuo day of Aprile j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> eightie three years, had, be his translation dated the twenty tuo day of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> eightie four years, transferred his whole right thereof in favors of this burgh; and lykewayes mentioning that the forsaid tack became null by breaking up of the said societie, and that Sir John Shaw now of Greenock had be his discharge dated the (*blank*) day of (*blank*) exonered and discharged this burgh of all that he can aske or crave of rent or entrie in all tyme bygone, or in all tyme comeing, or any other way whatsomever upon the account of the forsaid peice of ground, and declaired the tack to be null, and discharged this burgh of the samen; and therefore and in respect there was no housses builded upon the said

peice of ground the saids magistrats and toune counsell, by the said discharge now subscribed, exoner and discharge the said Sir John Shaw, his airs and successors, and all others whom it effeirs of the said tack, and haille tenor, contents, clausis, provisions and conditions thereof, whereby the saids John and Sir John Shaws, elder and younger, stood any wayes bound and obleidged to this burgh thereby.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrats and toune counsell have subscribed a disposition in favors of Mungo Cochrane, merchant in Glasgow, and of William Arbuckle, Patrick Gow and William Struthers, his partners, equallie among them, of the respective peices of ground, bowling green, tenements of land and others aftermentioned, which disposition is relative to tuo acts of the magistrats and toune counsell of this burgh in favours of the said Mungo Cochrane, ane thereof dated the thretteen day of Aprile j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie fyve and the other dated the threttie day of September the said year, and also mentions that the said Mungo and the forenamed persons, whom he had taken into copartinarie with him in the haille work and building contained in the saids tuo acts and afterspecifeit, upon their haveing equall right with him, had, conforme to the said last act, builded a sufficient dyke about the bowling green and made the bowling green of the dimensions specifeit in the saids acts in a sufficient caise, as also have builded the whole front upon the north syde of Bells Wynd, from the gavill of the Mutton mercat to the angle overagainst the corner of the Suggarie, with regular houssis of stone work and sklaitt roofes, all uniforme, to the bewtifieing and decoring of that place, conforme to the said last act; as also mentioning that they have purchassed the four pounds of yearly fewduetie specified in the said last act, by payment to Robert Alexander, thesaurer, of the soume of three score eight pounds Scotts money, as the worth thereof at seventeen years purchass, and lykewayes had done more towards the decoring of that part of the burgh then they were obleidged to doe be the transactions specifeit in the saids acts, therefore, be the said disposition the saids magistrats and toune counsell not only dispones to and in favors of the said Mungo and his saids partners, equally among them as said is, the

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<sup>1</sup> See Glasg. Rec., III., pp. 327-8 [in foot- "1675"]; also, Glasg. Chart., II., p. 358, note, p. 327, 1st col., for "1673" read No. 783, p. 365, No. 807, p. 381, No. 850.

peice of ground specified in the saids tuo acts and bounded as is therein exprest, with the old house upon the east syde thereof, with the haill tenements and others now builded thereupon be the saids partners as said is, but also that peice of waste ground or yaird lyand upon the west syde of the Candlerig Street, bounded be the lands of unquhill William Govane on the north, the lands of umquhill George Broom on the south, the Long Croft on the west and the publict well and waste ground about the same belonging to this burgh on the east parts; to be holden of the magistrats and toune counsell and their successors in office, in free burgadge, for service of burgh used and wont; and which right and disposition containes the provision and burden afterspecifeit in relation to the said bowling green, viz., that they and their forsaidis in all tyme comeing shall mantaine, uphold and keep the said bowling green and dyke forsaid about the samen of the present measure, specified in the right and in the acts forsaidis, in a decent and sufficient caise and condition, and applye the same to no other use, wherein if they failyie then and in that caise the said right and all that follows thereupon, in so farr as the samen concernes the said bowling green and dyke thereof, shall be extinct, voyd and null, and the magistrats and toune counsell of this burgh for the tyme being shall have full right thereto and power to dispose thereof at their pleasure, in the same manner as if the said right now subscribed thereto had never been granted; as also the magistrats and toune counsell and their successors are bound to warrand the said disposition as follows, viz., as to the said ground, tenements, bowling green and others first above dispo ned, at all hands, with and under the provision forsaid as to the said bowling green, and as to the said peice of ground or yaird lastly dispo ned frae fact and deed allenarly; and ordaines the thesaurer to hold compt for the said sixtie eight pound.

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unpayed, some for one and others for tuo, three or four years together, whereby both the toune and the said trade will be at ane loss, and therefore craveing that the saids magistrats and toune counsell would lay downe reasonable methods for the better inbringing of the mercatt rent; as the said supplication more fully bears. Which supplication being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toune counsell and considered be them, they ordained and hereby ordaines and appoynts the deacon, masters and collector of the said trade to debarr all these of the said trade that are defficiant in payment of their stockmail from haveing the privilidge of drawing of any stock rounge in all tyme comeing, untill first they not only make payment of their bygone maills but find caution for payment of the saids maills in tyme comeing, and thir presents to be allwayes but prejudice of the deacon and collector and others of the said trade their being summarly lyable for the said mercatt rent to the toune, conforme to use and wont.

7 November 1698.

The tounes  
great lodge-  
ing in Port-  
glasgow.

Rest of the  
tounes inter-  
est to be  
rouped.

[The provost reported that the town's great lodging at Port Glasgow had been set to the present possessors, Thomas Sheells and Agnes Knox, his spouse, for nine years at a yearly rent of £300 Scots; the "cellar, appoynted for a prison," being excepted from the let. "And farder the provest reported that they were of the opinion that not only the remainder of the tounes intrest in Portglasgow, with the said yearly rent payable by the said spoussie for the said lodgeing, but lykewayes the tounes closs, sellars and dwelling house, at the east end of Greenock, commonly called the Royall Fisharie closs should be exposed to publict roupe, they had therefore made publication of the roupe to be within the tolbuith of this burgh upon the morrow." From the property to be let were excepted "the custome house, preaching or meeting house, and the ministers house and office houssis thereof."]

23 November 1698.

Tack sub-  
scrivit in  
favors of  
James Mont-  
gomerie.

The magistrats and toune counsell have subscribed a tack in favors of James Montgomerie, elder, merchant in Glasgow, his airs and assigneys of the tounes intrest in Portglasgow and of the Royall Fisharie Closs at the east end of Greenock, as the same are particularly exprest in a former act dated the seventh of November instant, and of the tenor and contents, for the space and with and under the provisions and conditions, and upon the obleidgements specified in the said former act, and by which tack

also the saids magistrats and tounne counsell acknowledge and declair that the said tacksman hes right to the fewdueties of Portglasgow that shall be resting be the fewers preceeding Whitsunday nixt, and impowers and commissionats the said tacksman not only to uplift and receive the same but lykewayes the fewdueties payable after the said terme dureing the space of the tack, conforme to the rentall subscribed be the clerk, and if need beis to pursue, poynd and distrenzie therefore as accords; as also in caise any shall refuse to pay the dueties due and payable be all ships, barks, boats and other vessells, as is specified in the said tack and in the said former act, then and in that caise the said tacksman and his forsaid, and their servants to be appoynted be them for uplifting of the saids dueties, are allowed and appoynted to take a paund or pledge from the refuser, and keep and detaine the samen till the dues be payed, or untill the baillie of Portglasgow determine therein; for which tack the said tacksman, as principall, and Robert Cuninghame in Newark and David Hall, chirurgen in Glasgow, as cautioners, are bound, conjointlie and severallie, for payment of three thousand seven hundred and twentie merks Scotts money as the yearly tackduetie dureing the space of the tack at Whitsunday and Mertimes proportionally, beginning the first termes payment at Mertimes nixt for the half year preceeding, in manner as is more fully exprest in the said tack.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, late thesaurer, to have a warrand for Warrand, [£10 2s.] Scotts payed be him to Thomas Baxter for a white flowered <sup>marquess of</sup> ribban and gold freinzie about it, given to the Marquess of Montrose. <sup>Montrose.</sup> with his burges ticket.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, late thesaurer, to pay to William Baxter, Warrand, merchant [£49 4s. 4d.] Scotts money for ribbans furnished be him for <sup>burgess</sup> burges tickets. <sup>tickets.</sup>

Ordaines Robert Alexander, late thesaurer, to pay to John Peadie, Warrand, merchant, fyftie tuo pound fyve shilling Scotts for confections, fruits and <sup>treat to the</sup> others furnished be him to a treat given to the Marquess of Montroiss, <sup>marquess.</sup> conforme to ane particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

The magistrats and tounne counsell conveened, takeing to their con- A new church sideration that the inress of this burgh and inhabitants thereof necessarily <sup>to be builded.</sup> calls for the building of a new church therein, and that the place where

the Blackfrier church was formerly seems to be the most fitt part for building of the said new church, doe therefore unanimously purpose and resolve to goe about the said building and to applye the haill rents that are resting for the seats in the kirks and meeting house of this burgh, and that shall fall due the tyme of the said building, towards the building of the said church and perfytyng of the work in so farr as the same will goe; and for the better carrieng on of the said work and designe they hereby nominat and appoynt John Aird, younger, and John Corse, late baillies, tuo of their owne number, to be joyned in with tuo other persons, one whereof to be named be the merchant rank and the other be the trades rank, to consider upon and determin what shall be the dementions and way of building of the said church, and aggree with tradesmen and workmen for building thereof, and to doe all things needfull for carrieng on the said work, and to name to the counsell a fitt person to be collector of the said seat rents, to the effect the counsell may commissionat and appoynt him thereunto, and ordaine him to make payment of his intromissions to the saids four persons to the effect forsaide; and sicklyke the saids magistrats and tounse counsell appoynts the dean of gild to conveene the merchant rank and deacon conveener to conveene the trades rank and members of the severall incorporations thereof, for advyce in the said designe and for appoynting of one of each house for joynt assistance and in carrieng on of the said work as said is, and to make their report the nixt counsell day.

3 December 1698.

A seat to Sir  
John  
Houstoune.

The magistrats and tounse counsell, considdering that Sir John Houstoune of that Ilk is now liveing in this burgh, and that it is needfull that a seat in some church be provyded for him and his family dureing their residence here, doe therefore appoynt to him that seat in the Troan Church lately possessed be umquhill John Hall, late baillie, which is at the back of that seat possessed be Patrick Houstoune, merchant, brother to the said Sir John, and for satisfieing of the said Sir John his desyre appoynts Francis Stivenson, the tounes wright, to remove the said division betwixt the saids tuo seats and make and place a table there that may serve both the seats, and to lay up the said division in

the session house or some other secure place, that at the said Sir John his removall from this toun the said division may be sett up and the tuo seats placed as formerly.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, late thesaurer, to pay to Robert Rodgers, dean of gild, [£393 9 s.] Scotts for ballances and weights furnished be him fra Holland, in September last, to the weighhouse. [Also] to pay to William Barclay, master of wark, [£142 19 s. 10 d.] Scotts depursed be him for building and repairing of the beirich and trowes of the old milne of Partick and other necessar reparations.

The dean of gild reported that he had conveyened the merchant rank of this burgh, and the deacon conveyener reported that he had lykewayes conveyened the trades rank thereof, conforme to ane act of the toun counsell dated the twentie third day of November last, and that both ranks forsaid did unanimously give their consent to the building of a new church in that place where the Blackfrier church was formerly, and to the applyeing of the rents that are resting for the seats in the kirks and meeting house of this burgh, and that shall fall due the tyme of the said building, towards the building of the said new church and perfyteing of the said work, in so farr as the same will extend, in manner contained in the said act, and that lykewayes the merchant rank had nominat Thomas Peter, merchant, and the trades rank had nominat Simon Tennent, late baillie of this burgh, to be joyned with John Corse and John Aird, younger, merchants, nominated and appoynted be the toun counsell be the said act for carrieing on of the said work, as is more fully expressed in the said former act and in tuo acts made thereupon under the hands of the clerks to the tuo houses, dated the second day of December instant, more fully is contained. Which reports abovewriten being considdered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they commissionat and appoynt the said John Corse and John Aird, younger, Thomas Peter and Simon Tennent to considder upon and determine what shall be the dementions and manner of building of the said church, and to measure and mark out the ground whereupon the same is to be builded, and imploy, contract and agree with tradesmen and workmen for building thereof, and make all necessar provision therefor, and doe all things needfull and requisite thereanent and for carrieing on the said work;

George  
Hutchison,  
collector of  
the seat rents.

and the saids magistrats and toune counsell hereby enacts and obleidges themselves and their successors in office to warrand, freith, releive and skaithless keep the foirnamed persons of all obleidgements, bargaines and engadgements that they shall obleige to and undertake in relation to the said work, and to make payment to them or their order of such soumes as they shall find needfull to be expended upon the said work, according as they shall draw precepts on the thesaurer or master of wark for that effect, and that in so farr as the foirnamed persons (commissionat as said is) their intromissions with the said seat rents shall fall short, and sicklyke the saids magistrats and toune counsell doe hereby give full power and commission to George Hutchison, merchant, to uplift, receive and gather in the saids haill seat rents that are resting oweing unpaid and that shall fall due in tyme comeing, and if need beis to pursue therefor as accords, and upon payment to grant discharges which shall be valide to the receivers, and to do all other things requisit and needfull thereanent, and appoynts him to make compt, reckoning and payment to the said John Corse, John Aird, Thomas Peters and Simon Tennent, or to any ane of them haveing order from the other three, of his haill intromissions to be applyed be them to the use and end abovewriten, and the said George Hutchison is only to continue in the uplifting of the saids seat rents dureing the magistrats and toune counsell their pleasure, and remitts to the saids four persons to allow to him what sallarie for his paines they shall think fitt according to his care and dilligence.

3 January 1699.

Warrant for  
John Robert-  
son.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, late thesaurer, to pay to John Robertson, younger, merchant, the sowme of [£540] Scotts money for fyve hodgets of wyne furnished be him in March last and which was given to the tounes freinds, and also to pay to him [£13 4 s.] money forsaid for twelve double planks furnished be him to the Kings seat in the High Kirk.

18 March 1699.

A communing  
to be betwixt  
the toune and  
Woodsyde.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened, the provest represented that he had been discourseing with John Campbell of Woodsyde anent the severall encrotchments made be him upon the toune and differences

betwixt him and the toune, and particularly that he haveing severall years since builded ane park had inclosed therein severall peices of the tounes ground, as the tounes standing marches doe testifie, as also that he hes laboured these severall years bygone about four aikers of tounes lands of Wester Common, all which he has done at his owne hand without any right or libertie frae the toune, and sicklyke that he was resting to the toune many bygone fewduties for the peices of ground called Pirries Boge and Mudies and Peiters Maillings, and that beside the fewdueties it is informed that be his right of Pirries Boge frae the toune he is obleidged to build and keep in repair that bridge upon the corner of the said boge, in the hieway to the tounes quarrie, and lykewayes that he pretends intrest to a thinn coall, halfe ane elne thick, betwixt the tuo seims of the craig in the tounes quarrie called the Black Quarrie, and that by takeing away the coall he endamnages and distroyes the stone craig, albeit he grants the quarrie to be the tounes propertie, and lykewayes pretends to have the only right to the milnestone craig and stopes and impedes any haveing the tounes order from working therein, and that after discourseing with the said John Campbell upon the matters abovewriten, and shewing him that the toune would be obleidged to seek their redress by law, the said John declaired that he was desyreous that all these matters might be amicable settled and that he was willing that in order thereunto some of the counsell might be commissionat to meet with him thereupon; which representation abovewriten being heard and considdered be the saids magistrats and toune counsell they hereby nominat and appoynt the provest [and others] to meet with the said John Campbell, and any others that he brings along with him, and treat with them upon the matters abovewriten; as also to visite Hutchisons Hospitall quarrie and take consideration of the caise thereof, and make report of the result of their said meeting and visite the nixt counsell day.

Ordaines Robert Alexander, late thesaurer, to have allowance in his owne hands of [£632] Scotts money, which was resting to George Lauder, and spent be the magistrats in his house in intertaineing of noblemen and others, the tounes freinds, frae [9th October 1697 to 21st November 1698.]

Ordaines Thomas Hamilton, thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, younger,

[£98 13 s. 4 d.] Scotts money, depursed be him for the toune, whereof there is [£62 13 s. 4 d.] Scotts for four thousand seven hundered sklaitis to the sklaiting of a part of the new mercatt, and thretie six pound payed be him to George Muir, measson, at the order of the provest, and which was allowed to the toune be the said George in accompt of his building the stone work of the weighhouse.

18 April 1699.

Report anent  
the differ-  
ences betwixt  
the toune and  
John Camp-  
bell.

The provest reported that he [and others] as a committee appoynted be a former act, dated the eighteen day of March last, for meiting and treating with John Campbell of Woodsyde anent the encroachment made be him upon the tounes intrest and difference betwixt the toune and him, particularly exprest in the said act, had accordingly mett with the said John Campbell and John Grahame of Dougalstoune, who was present with him, and had reasoned and discoursed with them upon the haill particulars contained in the said former act, and that the result and conclusion of their meitting was as follows, viz., Imprimis, that the tounes ground within the said John Campbell his park should be vallued and apprysed be four men, tuo whereof to be chosen be each partie, and that he should pay the worth of it to the toune according to the appryrsers judgement and valuation. Item, that his fewrights gives him no right to that peice of land on the north-east syde of the road leading to Barscub, which hes been laboured be him these severall years bygone, and that the appryrsers sett a pryce upon the yearly worth thereof and of the saids peices of ground inclosed be him as said is. Item, his fewrights bears him to be lyable in the yearly fewdueties afterspecifeit, viz., twelve shilling for Pirries Boig and ten merks for Mudies and Peters meallings, and that he is not burdened with the upholding of the bridge in the act. Item, that he pretends no intrest to the thinn coall in the tounes quarrie. Item, as to the milne stone quarrie, that the same shall be bruiked and used according to bygone use and wont, viz., that both parties winn milne stones therein as they have use for the same. Which report abovewritten being considered be the saids magistrats and toune counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof, and gives full power and commission to John Woodrope, portioner of Dalmarnock, and John



Rowand, elder, in Meikle Govane, to meet with other tuo to be appoynted be the said John Campbell and to measure the said inclosed ground and the said other peice of ground and to vallue and appryse the said inclosed ground to the true worth and pryce, and to putt a rate upon the yearly rent and worth of both dureing his possession thereof.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to pay to John Andersone <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, for Dowhill.</sup> of Dowhill, late provest, [£291 11 s. 6 d.] as his expensses at Edinburgh in attending the late general assemblie and conventionne of burrows and commissione of parliament, anent the burghs of royaltie and regalitie, holden there, being from the twentie third of January to the twenty tuo of March last, conforme to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild, which accompt includes his horse hyres and the expensses of obtaneing frae the thesaurie the halfe years stipend of the Barronie Kirk for helping to build a new church where the Grayfreir<sup>1</sup> Church was formerly.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to pay to Matthew Cuming, <sup>Warrant, ribbans.</sup> younger, merchant, [£20 15 s.] Scotts, resting for ribbans furnished be him for gratis burges tickets in March, Aprile, May, Jully and August j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie eight.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to pay to Francis Stivensone, <sup>Warrant, King's seatt.</sup> wright, [£500] Scotts money in full of all he can ask or crave for wright work to the Kings seatt.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to pay to William Carmichell, <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, for William Carmichell.</sup> keeper of the tolbuith, the soume of four score pounds Scotts money, and that for damage sustained be him as tacksman of the New Green by the earle of Tullibardines regiment encamping ther in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nyntie seven; as also for extraordinarie coalls and candle furnished be the said William to the stent masters at their meeting in the counsell house.

20 April 1699.

The magistrates and toune counsell conveyned, they takeing to their <sup>Act for encourageing of building.</sup> consideratione that divers persons, within these tuo or three years bygone, have builded houssis in this burgh upon expectatione of some encouragement, and that much building in this burgh tends not only to the ornament thereof bot also to the comone benefite and advantage of the

<sup>1</sup> So written, but should be "Blackfreir."

inhabitants, therefor the saids magistrates and tounne counsell hereby statutes and ordaines that all fore tenements and howsses that are builded within this burgh upon the heigh streets thereoff with stone fronts and sclait roofs, within these three years bygone, shall not be stented be the stent masters for the space of ten years after Whitsunday nixt, as also that all such housses and tenements as shall be builded as said is in tyme comeing shall be lykewayes free of stents for ten years after they shall be compleitly builded, provyding allwayes that the heretors of the saids tenements make tymeous applicatione to the magistrats, present or to come, representing what they crave in relatione to the premisses, that the benefite of this act may be applied to them as the saids magistrates shall see caws.

A comittee  
for the poors  
petitiones.

Appoyntes James Sloss [and four others] to take to consideratione the petitiones given in be the poor people, and to give them or refuse them as they find cawss, and what they shall doe in the premissis to be putt in a list and accompt under their hands, and the master of wark is appoynted hereby to make payment to the poor people accordingly.

6 May 1699.

Act anent the  
begging poor.

The magistrates and tounne counsell, considering that the magistrats of burghs are by severall acts of parliament and privy counsell appoynted to take care for the mantinance and provisione of the poor within burghs, and the saids magistrates and tounne counsell being resolved that the begging poor belonging to this burgh should be mantained be such of the inhabitants as are in a conditione to help and contrabuit thereto, and that the said mantinance showld be laid on and proportioned in as easie and equall way as may be, and that it is their opinionne that the most equall way of proportionating will be according to the poll list laitle given up be the inhabitants themselves, therefor the tounne counsell doe hereby recomend to the magistrates to lay on the mantinance of the saids poor according to the proportione of the saids poll lists or rolls in the clerks hands, or what other waye they think expedient, and to prosecute and make the same effectuell by such maner and methods as they shall think fitt and convenient, and recomends to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to call a meeting of the respective howssis on Tewsday nixt,

and to make intimatione to them of the said purposs, that they may appoynt some of each rank to be assisting in the manadgement thereof; and the saids magistrates and toun counsell doe hereby nominat and appoynt John Aird, elder, [and others], five of their owne number, to assist and concure in manadgeing and prosecuting of the said designe with these to be appoynted be the saids twa houssis and be the generall sessione for that effect.

Ordaines William Barclay, master of wark, to give to and divyde among and give to some poor people the soume of seventeen pound Scotts according to a list made up in counsell to be delyvered to the master of wark under the clerks hand. Warrant, master of wark for poor.

William Wooddrope, baillie, and others of the comittie appoynted, conforme to a former act datéd the eighteen day of Apryle last, reported that they had conveyened before them George Nisbitt, Francis Stevensone and Robert Dickie, and had considered the contract betwixt the toun and them anent the building of the wright work, sclaiting and other things of the weighowss, for which they were to have fyve thowsand merkes, and that they find that the haill work to be performed be the said contract was wrought except their putting up of a crane on the front of the weighowss and lyning or deasing that part of the girnells on the walls with dailis; as also they find that besyds the work that they are bound be the said contract to performe they have furnished timber for severall peices of work to the said weighouss, for which it is the reporters opinione that the saids wrights should have tuo hundred pound Scotts besyds the said fyve thousand merkes in the contract. [The magistrates and council approved of the report and authorised payment to the contractors], they alwayes first building the said crane and lyning the saids girnells as said is sufficiently. George Nisbitt and other wrights compts fitted, weighous.

The provest and some others of the counsell represented that they had gott informatione from John Crawford, baillie of Port Glasgow, and (blank) Cunninghame, chamberland to the laird of Howstoun, who are bound to cleang the harbour of Port Glasgow, conforme to a contract betuixt the toun and them, that there is and hes been this long tyme bygone lyeing in the said harbour ane old ruinous ship, which is said to belong to George Lione, James Bogle, merchand, and partners, which Removeall of ane old ship, harbour of Port Glasgow.

hinders their cleangeing of the harbour, the said ship lyeing near the place where the cutt in the key is to be made for that effect; which being considered be the magistrates and toune counsell they have comissionat and hereby commissionats and appoynts William Woddrope, baillie, to make adrese to the admirall or his depute, by such way as may be effectuall for remouveing of the said old ruinows ship owt of the said harbour, that the harbour may be cleanged.

A contract  
subscrivit  
betuixt the  
toune and  
colledge.

The magistrats and toune counsell conveened have subscribed tuo dowbles of a mutuall contract and agreement betuixt them and the principall and regents of the colledge, whereby the toune cownsell are bound to build a new church (one that pairt where the old Blackfreir Church was off before) betuixt and the terme of Mertimass j<sup>m</sup> seven hundereth and tua years, and the colledge are to have the most commodiows seat in the said kirk, nixt best to the cownsell seat; and the colledge, for the touns encowragement, does dispone to the toune as much of their yeard one the south syde of the said old kirk as will make fiftie elnes frae the colledge yeard dycke, one the north syde of the said old kirk, to the new kirk yeard dyck to be builded one the south syde, and renunes and dispones to the toune the superiority and fewdueties of as much of John Bowmans yeard, one the south, as the towne shall make use of and inclose within the said sowth dycke, and are bownd to paye to the towne the sixth pairt of the chairge and expenssis of the new church building, provyding it exceed not ten thowsand pound in haill, bot if it extend heigher then to pay the eight pairt of what expenssis exceeds the said soume, and gives a libertie to erect tombs and monuments upon the sydes of the colledge yeard dyck surrownding the kirk and yeard thereof, and the colledge are to have libertie to the effect forsaid, for threttie tua elns one the north east corner of the colledge dyck, all in maner more fullie expressed in the contract, which lykewayes containes some other heads and contents, and the cownsell appoynts the clerk to give up ane of the dowbles to the principall.

6 June 1699.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 9,250 merks; ladles, 6,100 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 800 merks; tron and new weigh house, 1,650 merks; bridge, 2,150 merks; carts, 300 merks; crane, 870 merks.]

10 June 1699.

The magistrates and towne cownsell conveened, Patrick Bell, mer-<sup>Patrick Bells</sup>chand, gave in a supplicatione shewing that he intended to incloss a <sup>park dyke to</sup> peice of ground at Cowcadans for ane park, and to straight the dyke, and <sup>be visited.</sup> that there being a litle peace of ground belonging to the towne which is for the most pairt old quarrell holls, and which will impead and stopt him in straighting of his dycke unless he be allowed to straight the same thereupon, and for which he is willing to give the toune satisfacione therefore, craveing the saids magistrates and towne cownsell would appoynt whom of their nowmber they thought fitt to visite the grownd and cognoce upon the worth thereof, that he may pay for the value of the same and have his dycke straighted as said is, as the said supplicatione more fullie bears. Which supplicatione being read in presence of the saids magistrates and towne cownsell and considered be them, they appoynted and hereby appoynts provest Napier [and others] to visite the said peice of ground and take to consideratione the desire of the said petitione, and make the report of their opinionne of the said mater.

The magistrates and towne cownsell conveened, there was a petitione <sup>John</sup> given in to them be John Wardlaw, drummer in the castle of Dum-<sup>Wardlaw</sup>bartowne, showing that he was burgess and gild brother of this burgh, <sup>a drummer.</sup> which he had by mareing (*blank*) Smith, dawghter to unquhill James Smith, merchant, burges and gild brother thereof, and that his wyfe and familie receiding in this burgh since his mariadge he had a great desire to live here with his familie, if incouraged thereunto by allowing of him to be one of the towne drummers, as the said petitione more fullie bears; which, with the recomendatione of Mr. Francis Montgomerie, late governour of the said castle, in behalfe of the said petitioner, being considered be the magistrates and towne cownsell, they appoynted and hereby appoynts the said John Wardlaw ane of the towns drummers in the roume of (*blank*) Litlejohn, who is hereby laid assyde; and in respect there hes been divers reports formerly of misdemaners in William Cowie, drummer, his familie, therefore recomends to the magistrates that in caise for hereafter such miscaradges shall be found hereafter that they dispose him and putt the said (*blank*) Litlejohn or any other whom they think fitt in his roume.

26 June 1699.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
for baillie  
Brock.

Remitts to George Buchannan, baillie, [and two others] the consideratione of ane accompt given in resting be the towne to Robert Brock, late baillie, for ingraveing and altering the stamps these five years bygone to the comone tokens, and for engraveing the stamps for the poores badges, and to the standert off stopes to the dean of gild, extending to twentie six pound, and appoynts the thesaurer to pay to him what shall be appoynted be the said committie in satisfacione of the said accompt.

14 August 1699.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to have allowance [of £69 14 s.] Scotts money, given owt be him to John Peadie, merchant, in payment of ane accompt dew to the said John for fruits and confections, and such like, furnished to a traite to the earle of Argyle in November last; [and also of £14 12 s. 8 d.] Scotts, given to Mr. Symon Kellie for presenting in the Barronie Kirk these three years bygone, as the Provane proportionne.

Warrant for  
provest  
Andersone.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to pay to John Andersone, late provest, [£151 9 s. 6 d.] Scotts money, as his expenses in obtaining frae the lords of thesaurie of a halfe years vacant stipend dew at Whitsunday last of the Baronie paroch, and in attending the last conventionne of burrows and the townes other affairs in Edinburgh for twentie tuo dayes, viz., from [1st to 22nd July].

Act anent  
abuses done  
be Dumbartowne  
at Port Glasgow.

The magistrates and towne cownsell conveened, being certainly informed that the towne of Dumbartownes tacksmen, or uther in there name, doe comitt abuses within the towne of Glasgow their road and harbour of Port Glasgow, by exacting anchorage and other dewties for shippis, barks and other vessells within the said road and harbour, and takeing poynds and pawnds therefor, contrairie to all law and equitie, and the saids magistrates and towne cownsell being resolved to stop, hinder and impead all such practises within there said free erected port, road and harbour thereof for hereafter, doe therefore hereby empower and ordaine John Crawford, late baillie of Glasgow, now baillie of Port Glasgow, to stop and impead the exacting and uplifting of any such

dewties for any ships vessels whatsoever within the said road or harbour of Port Glasgow in tyme comeing.

The magistrates and towne counsell have subscribed a precept of <sup>Precept of</sup> clare constat in favours of Clawd Pawll, lawfull sone to umquhill <sup>clare constat,</sup> Clawd Pawll in Gorballs, for infetting of him as nearest air to his said <sup>Sanct Ninians</sup> umquhill father in that ruinows howse belonging to that hospitall called <sup>Hospitall.</sup> Sanct Ninians Hospitall, upon the south end thereof, with the haill yeard at the back of the said hospitall and ruinowse howse forsaid, and haill west grownd thereto, with the pertinents and priviledges thereto belonging to the said hospitall, consisting of (*blank*) fouts or thereby in length, with that yeard called the kirkyeard thereof (being noe wayes comprehended therein); which ruinows howsses, haill yeard and west grownd abovespecifeit are bownded betuixt the lands belonging to the laird of Cathkin on the sowth, the great yeard which some tyme belonged to Sir Robert Dowglass, now to the provest, baillies and cownsell of Glasgow one the east, the said hospitall called the Leper Hospitall and the church yeard thereof one the north, the lands of old belonging to umquhill John Sheills and the lands of David Fergusone, respectively, on the west pairts; to be holden of them and their successors in office, in few ferme and heretage, for yearly payment to them and their forsaid, or there thesaurers in their name, of the sowme of twelve pownds Scotts money, . . . as also the said Clawd Pawll and his airs and assigneys compeiring att all the head cowrts of the said burgh of Glasgow, and att all other cowrts of the samen when they are lawfullie wairned thereto be the officers thereof.

2 October 1699.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, thesaurer, to pay to John Robertstone, <sup>Warrant,</sup> hammerman, [£126 6 s.] Scotts money, resting be the towne to him for <sup>thesaurer, for</sup> pewther buttons to the officers cloaths for this and the two years pre- <sup>John Robert-</sup> sone. ceeding, and for badges to the poor, for stamping the comunion tickets for the year preceeding, and for comunione tokens for the present year, and for the use of a fruit frame since the Revolution and broken in the townes service and treats, conforme to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

Libertie of  
tread to tuo  
French pro-  
testants.

Upon ane supplicatione given in be Elizabeth Neide, relict of unquhill James Dellhamoax, and Mary Dellhamoax, his sister, representing that they were forced through the persecutiōne of the protestants in France to flee for the preservatiōne of there lifes to this kingdome, and now living in this burgh, where the said unquhill James deceased, they were desirows to have freedome of inkeeping or cookrie, or some small trade to see if thereby they cane mantaine themselves, the magistrates and towne counsell upon consideratiōne thereof have granted and hereby grants to the saids petitioners freedome and libertie of inkeeping or cookrie or other treade.

Water  
serjant.

Appoynts James Jamisone to be water serjant in place of John Shanks, now deceist.

3 October 1699.

Election of  
provost and  
ballies.

[John Andersone, provost; Robert Rodgers and Mathew Cuming, younger, of the merchants rank, and George Nisbitt, of the crafts rank, bailies.]

6 October 1699.

Town coun-  
cillors chosen.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceeding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

7 October 1699.

Act anent the  
officers of Port  
Glasgow and  
measurers of  
salt.

There was a representatiōne made to them that John Fergusone, officer of Port Glasgow, had lately comitted misdemaners there, and that the tuo persons who at present are measowrers of forraigne salt at Port Glasgow have been imposed upon the merchants of this burgh be persons who have noe right to doe the same, nor have they been appoynted nor admitted to the office be the magistrats and towne counsell, nor is their oaths *de fidei* taken, as is both usewall and needfull; which being taken to consideratiōne be the saids magistrates and towne counsell they fecomend to the magistrates to write to the baillie of Port Glasgow for certaine informatiōne anent the said officers misdemanowr, to the effect they may order his being depryved and putt owt of the said office if they so cawse; as also recomends to the saids magistrats to choise tuo burgesses of this burgh, such as may be fitt for the said office of salt measuring at the said port, and place them in rowme of the saids present measowrers,



and appoynt ane of the saids measurers to be chosen as said is to be lykewayes officer of Port Glasgow, in caise they think fite to putt owt the present as said is, and take their oaths *de fidei*, etc., and appoynts the baillie of Port Glasgow make effectuell what orders and appoyntments shall be given be the magistrates anent the premissis.

11 October 1699.

[John Aird, younger, dean of guild; John Wooddrope, deacon convener; Dean of guild, Robert Yuill, treasurer; George Robertsons, bailie of Gorbals; Robert Simpsons, etc. water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; Thomas Hamiltone, visitor of maltmen; Thomas Nicoll, visitor of gardeners.]

14 October 1699.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 8 oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 50 s. Scots the Bread, tallow, stone; and candle for 56 s. 8d. Scots the stone.] candle.

4 November 1699.

The provest reported that a presbitrie was to meet att Port Glasgow One to goe to Port Glasgow. on Thursday nixt to consider and make inquiry in maters concerning the good of the said paroch of Port Glasgow, and therefore intreating that some one or other might be sent to attend the said presbitry; which being considered be the magistrates and towne counsell they remitt to the magistrates to appoynt whom they think fitt to attend the said meeting and to concur in and doe all that is needfull and incumbent to be done towards the good of the said paroch.

The magistrates reported that they haveing signefyed to the magis- Dumbartowne. trates of Dumbartowne that of late there tacksmen or others in their name had committed divers abusses within the towne of Glasgow there free erected port and harbowl of Port Glasgow, in maner specifeit in a former act, dated the fourteen of Agust last, the saids magistrates of Dumbartowne had come to this towne, where there was a communing anent the saids inquiries, and that the reporters haveing represented the hazards and dangers of law that these of Dumbartowne had exposed themselves unto by the insolencies, ryeots and injuries, [done] and committed within the harbowl of Port Glasgow, and desired to know what reparatione and satisfacione they would offer for eviteing expensive complaints

against them, and for mantaining of this townes rights and priviledges, the magistrates of Dumbartowne did show there inclinatione to have a meeting at Edinburgh, where both parties might have advice of freinds and lawiers anent the said matter, or any other affair that might occassione differences betuixt the tuo burghs; which report being considered be the saids magistrates and towne cownsell they appoynted that the provest and baillie Rodgers and Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to repair to Edinburgh there to commune upon the saids matters in presence of lawyers and freends, and take with them what writes are needfull thereanent, and consult with lawiers what methods shoud be taken for the repairing of bygone wrongs and for mantaineing of peace in tyme comeing, and to make report of the result of the saids meeting and consultatione to the cownsell to be considered be them, and appoynts that the magistrates choise ane or tuo of the cownsell to goe alongs for advice and assistance if thowght needfull.

11 November 1699.

Act in favours  
of danceing  
master.

The magistrates and towne cownsell convcened, they upon a supplicatione given in be John Smith, danceing master, allowe and permitt the said John to teach danceing within this burgh, with and under the provisions and conditions underwritten, viz., that he shall behave himselfe soberly, teach at seasonable hours, keep noe balls, and that he shall so order his teaching that there shall be noe promiscuows danceing of yowng men and yowng women together, bot that each sex shall be tawght be themselves, and that the one sex shall be dismissed and be owt of his howse befor the other enter therein, and if the said John transgress in any of these appoynts the magistrates to putt him out of this burgh.

23 November 1699.

A call sub-  
scribed to Mr.  
Alexander  
Orr.

The magistrates and towne cownsell have subscribed a call to Mr. Alexander Orr, minister of the gospell, to be minister of the sowth quarter of this burgh, and have commissioned and hereby commissionats and appoynts John Andersone of Dowhill, provest of this burgh, to attend the nixt or subsequent dyets of the comisione of the generall assemblie of this kingdome, or of the said generall assemblie itselfe, in prosecutione

of the said call ay and untill a determination be made therein, and to doe all things needfull and incumbent in prosecutione thereof.

20 January 1700.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, late thesaurer, to have allowance [of Warrant, late  
£54 17 s. 4 d.] Scotts money dew be him for ale and wyne spent in his thesaurer,  
howse at the treat given be the magistrates to the duke of Hamiltone, of Hamiltone  
earles of Casles, Rutherglen and Wigtowne, and viscount of Kilsyth, and treat to duke  
others gentlemen. [Also ordained the present treasurer to pay £77 3 s.] and others.  
Scotts money for confections and fruits furnished [for the same] treat.

Appoynt John Anderson, present provest, there commissioner to the Provost comm-  
next generall assemblie of this church . . . to consult, vote and missionat to  
determine in all maters that come before them, to the glory of God and the generall  
good of this church, according to the Word of God and Confession of assemblie.  
Faith, and agreeable to the constitutione of this church.

Appoynts John Aird, younger, dean of gild, to agree with Androw Anent  
Whyte, hammerman, anent ane yearly sellary for keeping the chaines, keeping  
buckets and shaves, and all other goeing greath for the towns hail walls, towns wells.  
with the locks thereof, in a sufficient caise, and for lockeing and opining  
of the walls at evenings and mornings in dew tyme, and for keeping the  
walls clain as hes been formerly usewall.

The magistrates and towne cownsell conveened, upon a supplication A libertie to  
given in to them be John Luke, merchant, proprietor of the lands of East John Luke  
Thorne and milne thereto belonging, doe hereby suffer and permitt the for water to  
said John Lowk to dige and cleang the goatt or ditch that leads from his milne.  
the Provan Loach to the said John his milne, and to keep the samen  
always clean and well dighted for the better helping of the said milne  
with water, and thir presents to continue no longer then the towne shall  
happin to have any other use for the said water and to inferr no right  
or propertie or servitude in favours of the said John or his successors;  
as also thir presents are granted with this speciall provisione and con-  
ditione that the said John Luke shall build and place upon the said goat  
ane sufficient timber bridge for passadge over the said goat, and that he  
and his forsaid shall keep the said bridge in a sufficient conditione dure-  
ing his makeing use of the said water.

Milnership of  
subdeans  
milne.

The magistrates and towne counsell have subscribed ane tack granted be them to James Campbell, milner at the Subdeans Milne, of the milnership of the said milne, for nynteen years, after Mertimas last, for which he is bound to repair and putt the milne, axiltree, wheells, trows, milnstones, milndam, land and pertinents of the milne in a sufficient conditione, and to uphold them so dureing the tack and to leave them so at the end therof, and to serve faithfully and dilligently with men and horses as use [is, and under the other conditions] specifeit in the said tack.

Report anent  
Dumbar-  
towne affairs.

John Andersone of Dowhill, provest, reported in there presence that, conforme to a former act dated the fowrth day of November last, he [and others] had been at Edinburgh and had there met with Tobias Smollet of Bonill, provest of Dumbartowne, and others commissionat be Dumbartowne, and had treated anent the differences betuixt the saids tuo burghs and upon expediences and methods for preventing differences and mantaining a lasting freindship betuixt them in tyme comeing, and that the comissioners for both burghs had drawn up the articles of agreement following and satisfied therewith if after reports made both burghs should have approved of the same, of which articles the tenor followes:—

The saids tuo burghs haveing found it mutually prejudiciall to others that there hes not been that correspondance keepit up betuixt them these divers years bygone, which would have tended considerable to both there advantages, and that this hath chiefly arisen from there severall pretentions to the priviledges of the river of Clyde, in the prosecution whereof maney differences have fallen owt, for preventing wherof in tyme comeing and to the effect there may be a lasteing freindship and due correspondance inviolablie observed betuixt the saids tuo burghs in all tyme hereafter, therefor the magistrates and cownsell of the saids burghs of Glasgow and Dumbartowne, for themselves and in name and behalfe of there communities, have condescended and agreed upon the following articles:—

(1) In the first place, the saids magistrates and cownsell of Dumbartowne doe hereby ratefie and approve ane decret of declarator obtained at the instance of the towne of Glasgow before the lords of sessione, in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and sixtie six years, declairing the priviledges

therein decerned to belong to the said towne of Glasgow;<sup>1</sup> as also ane other decreet of obsolvitur obtained at the instance of the saids magistrates and towne of Glasgow against the magistrates and burgh of Dumbartowne in the year forsaid, whereby the said towne of Glasgow is assolzied from the declarator raised against them at the instance of the said towne of Dumbartowne anent certain priviledges of the river of Clyde thereinmentioned.<sup>2</sup>

(2) The said magistrates and towne counsell of Dumbartowne doe denude themselves in favours of the said burgh of Glasgow of the dueties formerly payable to the said burgh of Dumbartowne of weighage, tunnage, anchorage and measurage, dock maill, cocketts, or other dewes whatsoever by all strangers ships unloading within the said river of Clyde, and lyke-wayes of the townes offers, so that in tyme comeing these dewties and the benefite of the townes offers shall solelie belong and appertaine to the said burgh of Glasgow.

(3) That in all tyme comeing the vessells of whatsoever syse belonging to the towne of Glasgow, Port Glasgow, and burgesses inhabitants thereof, that shall happine to come to the harbour of Dumbartowne, or any other port or harbour belonging to the said burgh, shall have exemptione from the payment of any duty whatsoever to the said burgh of Dumbartowne; as also and in lyke maner the haill vessells and boats belonging to the burgesses inhabitants of Dumbartowne shall be exeemed and made free from payment of any duety whatsoever to the said burgh of Glasgow at the Broom-of-law port Glasgow, or any other port or harbour belonging to the said burgh, and its declaired that neither of the burgesses inhabitants of the said burghs shall collowr unfreemens vessells under collowr of their owne.

(4) It is agreed that the consideratione to be given by the burgh of Glasgow for the grants withinmentioned shall be acknowledged to them by a paper under the hands of the magistrates and towne counsell of Dumbartowne, and that the sum to be paid shall be applyed by the burgh of Dumbartowne for the payment of the townes debts, to the effect that it may thereby appear that the transactione is reasonable and onerows, and that the successors in office of both the saids burghs may have noe

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Chart., II., pp. 60-112.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, pp. 112-20.

grownd to apprehend that the forsaid agreement is proceeded upon frae any collusion of the present magistrats and counsells but upon fair and just grownds, tending to the benefite and advantage of both the saids burghs.

(5) That the said articles of agreement be *de verbo in verbum* insert and recorded in both the said towne counsell books of Glasgow and Dumbartowne, and the acts made thereupon be interchanged betuixt the saids tuo burghs, in token of the mutuall acceptance thereof and condescendance thereto; and that thir saids acts of counsell shall obleidge the penaltie of (*blank*) Scotts money to be payed by either of the saids burghs that shall failie to the burgh that shall observe or be willing to observe the forsaid articles in the haill clawssis and contents thereof, and that by and attour performance.

And which articles being drawn and putt in write as said is, and it being comuned upon what sowme shold be given be Glasgow to Dumbartowne for makeing over to the towne of Glasgow the saids rights and privildiges, these for Dumbartowne demanded five thowsand merkes and these for Glasgow offered fowr thowsand merkes therefor, and at last came this length that these on both sydes were willing that the difference shold be referred to Sir James Smollet, one of the comissioners of Edinburgh, for Dumbartownes pairt, and to whom the town of Glasgow shold appoynt, upon there pairt, and that the rights and securities to be granted be Dumbartowne to Glasgow should be according to the best advice cowlde be had, and that the provest, reporter, and others forsaid of Glasgow, did consult his Majesties advocat, who had given his opinion in write anent the maner and way of the securitie; and farder represented that since their comeing home from Edinburgh, baillie Rodgers had received a letter frae the provest of Dumbartowne showing that there towne counsell had approven the saids articles, but that they had added to the second article (anent their denudeing themselves of the dueties in the river of Clyde) the words following, viz., (reserving alwayes to the towne of Dumbartowne the above specifeit dueties of all stranger vessells and others not belonging to the towne of Glasgow, loading and unloading at Kirkpatrick key); as also that they had subjoined to the end of the third article the words following, viz., (and that the goods

belonging to burgesses inhabitants of Dumbartowne shall be free of any custome at the bridge, ports or towne of Glasgow; and in lyke maner that the goods belonging to burgessis inhabitants of Glasgow be free of all custome at the burgh of Dumbartoune). Which report abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and towne cownsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof in so far as the same does relate to the articles above insert, as they were drawn up and conserted at Edinburgh as said is, and of the hail remander of the report in so far as the same relates to the reporters manadgement forsaid at Edinburgh in relatione to the saids affairs, and hereby gives and grants full power and commission to the said John Andersone, provest, to meet with the said James Smollet, or any to be nominat be the towne of Dumbartowne, and fully conclude upon and perfyte the saids articles of agreement and setle and agree anent the quota of the sowme to be given to the towne of Dumbartowne in contemplatione thereof, and anent the securitie to be granted to this burgh, as also to doe, conclude and perfyte what he thinks expedient, by the advyce of the persons afternamed, anent the tuo clawssis forsaid lately craved be Dumbartowne to be added to the saids articles made at Edinburgh, and appoynts the provest to keep correspondance with and give informatione to the present baillies, James Peadie, late provest, the dean of gild, deacon conveener, thesaurer, and Simon Tennent, or with so many of them as can be had conveniently, for their advyce to him in all occurances, and who are to call whom others of the cownsell they please for their assistance and advice if thought needfull; and appoints Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to goe to Dumbartowne and see if they will pass frae their saids new amendments and report.

Commissione  
to the provest  
to setle.

30 January 1700.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Thompsone, post-master, sixteen powns Scotts money for his present help in keeping up of a post to goe twice a week to Port Glasgow, frae the first of Aprile last to the first of Aprile nixt, and this to inferr noe obligatione in tyme comeing.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
post to Port  
Glasgow.

Ordaines William Barclay, master of wark, to give a new coatt with a pair of stokens and shoes to Thomas Bryce, officer in Gorballs.

Warrant,  
master of  
wark.

16 March 1700.

Agreement  
for keeping  
the townes  
wells.

The dean of gild reported that, conforme to a former act dated the tuentie day of Janwary last, he had entered in a subscribed agreement betuixt him and Androw Whyte, hammerman, dated the sixth day of February last, whereby on the ane pairt the said Androw is bownd to keep the ten water wells belonging to this burgh, within and without the ports of the same, in a sufficient caise and conditione in the chaines, buckets, shaves, and all other goeing grath and necessities belonging thereto, requisite and usewall, for the service of the inhabitants, and to lock and open the wells evenings and mornings in due tyme, and to furnish the Four Sisters and the Ladie Well with irone ladles, and to cleang, muck and keep clean the saids haill wells, for the space of five years after Candlemess last in this instant year, and he acknowledges he hes receaved the haill wells and graith thereof in a sufficient caise and is bound to leave them so under a penaltie; and on the other pairt the dean of gild is bound that the present thesaurer and his successors in office shall pay to the said Andrew five hundereth merkes, yearly, dureing the saids five years . . . and the said Andrew is also bound to furnish the wells with locks and bands dureing the space forsaid; as the said agreement more fully bears. Which agreement being red in presence of and considered be the saids magistrates and toune counsell they approved and hereby approves of the haill heads and contents of the samen and inacts and oblidges themselves and there successors to fulfill the said agreement in so farr as the said dean of gild stands any way bownd thereby and to freeth and skaithless keep him thereof.

Act in favours  
of the toune  
thesaurers.

The magistrates and toune counsell, considereing that frequently that the toune thesaurers are obleidged to borrow money to answer the touns credite untill the common goods or other effects belonging to the toune come in to there hands, therefor they inact and obleidge themselves that Robert Yuill, present thesaurer, shall have the annualrent of such soumes as he hes already borrowed, or as he shall be needcessitated hereafter to borrow to the effect forsaid, allowed to him at his compt makeing.

Elies a  
presenter.

Appoynts James Elies, musician, to be presenter in the Tron Church, in place of William Marshall, present presenter, and this to continue dureing the toune counsells pleasure.



Appoynts David Colquhoun, tayleur, to be quarter master of this burgh, in place of John Coats, merchant, now dean of gilds officer, and his yearly cellary to be ten pound sterling . . . which [apointment] is only to continue dureing the counsells pleasure. And appoynts the magistrates to cawse John Coats delyver up the seall and books that they may be delyvered to the said David.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to George Buchannan, late baillie, five guinies of gold, lent be him be the magistrates desire and given be them to the laird of Houshill for his receeding in this burgh the space of a week, in receaveing the poll money, for the inhabitants ease, he not being obleidged to come from Lanerk be the act of parliament.

6 April 1700.

Upon a supplicatione given in be the partners of the brewarie, craveing that they may be exeemed from payment of the tounes tuo pennies on the pint as to all ale and bear furnished be them to the use of privat famalies preceeding the first of March last, allowes and appoynts that ale and bear browen in the said brewarie and taken and applyed to the use of there own famalies shall be free of the payment of the said duetie, the quantity being clearly instructed to the magistrates be the clerk of the brewarie.

The magistrates and toun counsell, being informed by John French, collector of the late stent, that Robert Sanders, printer and bookbinder and seller, hes suspended his stents, ordaines the thesaurer to cawse the towns agent call and discuse the said suspension.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to doctor (blank) Campbell, tuentie merkes for his extraordinary paines and care in cutting Margaret Youngs child of the stone gravell.

The magistrates and towne cownsell, upon ane supplecation given in be James, Matthew and Patrick Brownes, lawfull sones to the deceist James Browne, glover, procreat betuixt him and Janet Walker, lawfull daughter to John Walker, weiver, burges and gild brother of this burgh, shewing that there father suffered much loss and dammage in the late tymes for not compliyance, and after the Revolutione went abroad as sowldier in my lord Angus regement, where he dyed, and so entered not

himselfe a burgess and gild brother be his wifes right, and therefor craveing there freedome afterspecifeit, the saids magistrates and towne counsell doe hereby grant to the saids [petitioners] full power and privilege of entering be the right of there said unquhill grandfather be the mothers syde, sicklyke as if ther father had entered be there mothers right in his owne lyfityme, and ordaines the dean of gild and his bretheren to enter them accordingly.

A committee  
anent seat  
rents.

The provest haveing represented that some of the inhabitants had told him that they not haveing compeired when wairned before the dean of gild court for there seat rents, sentance was given for more then due, which they were willing to make appear, whereupon the magistrates and toune counsell appoynted and hereby appoynts James Peadie [and others], or any three of them, to convene upon any applications made to them in the said matter and take consideratione of any errors and mistakes that may be therein and determine and give warrand to George Hutchison thereanent as they shall see cawse.

Anent the  
fewduetie of  
Lymehowse  
bog.

John Brysson, writer, gave in ane supplication craveing the purchasing frae the towne of ane yearly fewduetie of ten merkes Scotts, payable owt of ane house and halfe ane aiker of land or thereby called Lymehowse Bog, whereof there are many years resting, and which would be ane advantage to the towne, as also to the petitioner to whom the heretor is debtor in three hundered merkes, and all like to be lost by his becoming insolvent; which petition they have recomended and hereby recomends to the magistrates [and others] that they may commune with the petitioner and report their procedure and thowghts of the matter petitioned for.

The two ranks  
to convene.

The magistrates and toune counsell, takeing to their consideratione that severalls of the inhabitants have addressed the dean of gild of this burgh for information anent the present stent laid on (the greatest part whereof is made up be the burghs of barronie and regality there comeing short of the ten pownd of the burrows tax roll laid upon them, conforme to Mr. John Buchans tack at Dundee and approven and confirmed be act of parliament<sup>1</sup>) and of other things contained more particularly in

<sup>1</sup> For a narrative of the proceedings connected with the communication of trade to the burghs of barony and regality and the arrangement made with John Buchan, agent of the

Convention of Royal Burghs, see Sir James Marwick's Preface to Miscellany of the Scottish Burgh Records Society (1881), pp. xlv. lxi.

the said address, doe think fitt at this tyme not only to give the inhabitants full satisfactiōne of the cawse and occassion of the said stent, but lykewayes of the manadgement of the common good of this burgh, therefor they hereby recomend to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to conveen the haill respective incorporations of merchants and treads within this burgh and make intimation thereof to them, to the effect they may receive informatiōne and satisfactiōne in the saids matters, and nominat and appoynt such of there number as they please to meet with the provest or such as the magistrates shall name, to revise and consider the books and accompts of this burgh to the effect forsaid.

24 April 1700.

The magistrates and toun counsell ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, <sup>Warrant for</sup> to pay to the laird of Clelland, collector of the rests of the last poll and <sup>laird of</sup> collector of the poll preceeding the same, of fourtie eight pound Scots as the poll money due for the Provan for the last tuo polls, being tuentie four pound for each. <sup>Clelland.</sup>

The magistrates and toun counsell commissionats and appoynts <sup>Baillie</sup> Matthew Cuming, younger, ane of the baillies of this burgh, and George <sup>Cuming, etc.,</sup> Buchanan, late baillie thereof, to repaire to Lanerk the morne, being the <sup>to goe to</sup> tuentie fyfth instant, there to attend the meetting of the commissioners of supplee of the shirreffdome of Lanerk, who are to meet in obedience to the act of the commissiōne of parliament for comunicatiōne of tread, to the effect thereinspecificit, and impowers them to doe what may be meet for the behalfe of the intrest of the royall burghs as is contained in the said act. <sup>Lanark.</sup>

10 May 1700.

Ordaines Thomas Hamiltone, late thesaurer, to pay to George <sup>Weighouse</sup> Buchanan, late baillie, the soume of fourscore seven pounds Scots money, <sup>and fish</sup> given be him to George Muir, measone, when building the weighhouse <sup>mercat.</sup> and fish mercat.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to James Grahame, sone to <sup>Warrant,</sup> John Grahame of Dowgalstown, now deceast, ten rex dollors,<sup>1</sup> in satis- <sup>thesaurer, for</sup> factiōne of his said unquhill fathers paines in dyteing<sup>2</sup> and of the said <sup>James</sup> Grahame.

<sup>1</sup> In the treasurer's account the payment is set down at £29 Scots.

<sup>2</sup> Written "dictating" in the account.

James his paines in writeing of securities drawn up for conveyeing the jurisdictione of the regality be the duck of Lennox to the toune.

Black quarry.

The magistrates and toune counsell conveened, William Barclay, master of wark, gave in ane supplicatione shewing that about seven years since he haveing, at the desire of the then magistrates and toune counsell, endeavoured to make the townes quarrie called the Black quarrie ane goeing quarrie for the conveniencie of the then inhabitants of this burgh, he accordingly was at great expenssis in redding and makeing a face thereupon, and in regaird the expenssis did goe beyond the profite, through occassione of the stopping the water sink and otherwayes, he did thereupon applye himselfe to the magistrates and toune counsell, and upon the [tuentie] third of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> nyntie three<sup>1</sup> the then magistrates and counsell, be there act, ordered him to cause red and cleanse the sink for draining the quarrie at the townes charge, as the said act bears; and in regaird that upon the faith of the said act he did expend upwards of tuo hundreded pownds Scots for cleanseing and redding the said sink, besydes twentie shillings sterling yearly for cleanseing and clearing of the said sink, therefor craveing payment of the said soume, as the said supplication bears; which supplicatione being considered be the saids magistrates and toune counsell, they appoynted and hereby appoynts provest Peadie [and others] to visite the said quarrie and take consideration thereof and commune with the said William anent the matter of the said petitione and make there report thereanent to the counsell.

14 May 1700.

A call sub-  
scrivit to Mr.  
David  
Broune.

The magistrates and toune counsell have subscribed a call to Mr. David Broun, minister at Neilstowne, to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh, and appoynts George Nisbitt, baillie, and James Peadie, late provest, to prosecutt the said call before the presbitry of Paisly, sinod of Glasgow, or other church judicatories.

4 June 1700.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 8,200 merks; ladles, 5,000 merks; meal market and pecks, 910 merks; tron,<sup>2</sup> 1,410 merks; bridge, 2,030 merks; crane, 570 merks.]

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 99.

<sup>2</sup> Subsequent to the erection of the weigh house in Candlerigs in 1698, these dues are

described as "the custome of the tron and new weigh house, and tuo litle foir shops beneath the stairs."

29 June 1700.

The magistrates and tounne cownsell conveened, there was a supplica-  
 tion given in to them be James Montgomerie, younger, and his partners, <sup>Visiting a  
 peice ground  
 for a glass  
 work.</sup>  
 merchants in Glasgow, showing that they were intended to sett up a  
 glass work for makeing botles, window glasses and others, and that they  
 haveing considered that spote of west grownd lyeing betuixt the foot of  
 the Old Green and Broomilaw to be a convenient place for building to  
 the said work, and therefor craveing a fewright or three nynteen year  
 tack of eight score foots in length and the whole breadeth betuixt the  
 heigh way and the rop work, which wowlde be litle enough for there  
 design and use; which petitione being read in presence and considered  
 be the saids magistrates and towne cownsell, they appoynted and appoynts  
 the magistrates [and others] to take the said petitione to their considera-  
 tion, and visite, consider and mett out the grownd and make report  
 thereof to the cownsell.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to have allowance [of £184] Scots <sup>Warrant,  
 thesaurer.</sup>  
 money, payed owt be him to Robert Leitch, calsier, for fourtie six ruids  
 of calsay, at four pound the ruide, made be him betuixt the Water port  
 and the wast end of the Old Green. Item of [100 merks] for ten rudes  
 of calsie made at the Bell of the Wyndhead and Stable-green port, at ten  
 merkes the rude. Item, [£144 10 s.] money forsaide, given out be him,  
 be order of the magistrates and dean of gild and divyded among sowldiours  
 and severall treadsmen and inhabitants of this burgh who were very  
 painfull and dilligent in suppressing of the three last accidentall fires.

The provest represented that when he was last at Edinburgh doeing <sup>Anent ane  
 adress to the  
 counsell.</sup>  
 the tounes bussiness and attending the concernes of the royall burrows,  
 George Lockhart, merchand in this burgh, and Mr. Henry Marshall,  
 chirurgen there, did, upon the fifteen day of June instant, present ane  
 petitione to him subscribed be severall of the inhabitants of Glasgow,  
 desireing him to convene the tounne cownsell and tuo housses that they  
 might prepare and signe ane adress to the parliment for the securitie of  
 our religione, the suppriseing of vice and encouragement of pietie and  
 vertue, and asserting the companyes right to there settlement in Caledonia  
 (in which this citie is so deeply concerned) and releiving them of un-  
 necessarie taxes and the encouragement of their manufactories, which

will give imployment to the poor (at present numerows and burdensome) and tend to the honour and intrest of the natione; and which petitione he haveing receaved and read he gave to the saids George Lockhart and Mr. Henry Marshall the answer following, viz., that he had considered the petitione given him be their hands from severall of the inhabitants of Glasgow and fownd nothing contained therein but what is allready proposed to and lyeing befor the parliament, and dowbted not bot would be considered and determined be them, and if they had made knowen to him the desires contained in the said petitione when he was the last week at Glasgow he would then have laid it before the tounne cownsell, but seeing he was then att Edinburgh abowt the townes affairs and concerne of the royall burrows, he cowld not leave them, but so soon as these were over he showld, God willing, come home and lay the said petitione before the tounne cownsell, and in case it showld hapin that the parliament should sitt before he gott home to Glasgow he should advise whether it might be proper for him to lay this petitione before the parliament, in the methods and termes wherein it is conceaved; as the said petitione and ane instrument taken be them and him more fully containes. And farder the provest represented that these affairs that detained him being over he thought it fitt, according to his promise, to lay the said petitione befor the counsell, that they may consider the same and doe therein as they should think fitt, and produced the forsaid petition and instrument in cownsell. Which representatione abovewriten, with the said petitione and instrument forsaid being considered be the saids magistrates and tounne cownsell, they resolved and declaired that as formerly they had been alwayes forward to promote the publick good and intrest of the Indian and Affrican Company of this natione, so they would still persist and continue in the same, but in respect that yesterday they received the sad and lamentable news of there collonie of Caledonia in America, its being assaulted and taken by the Spaniards, they therefor thowght fitt att present to forbear untill they understand better the particulars thereof and see what measure others will take under the present exigencie.

Contract and  
agreement  
with Dum-  
barton.

The magistrates and tounne cownsell convened, the provest reported that, conforme to a former act dated the tuentie of Janwary last, relating to the contract and agreement betuixt this burgh and Dumbartounne,

when he was att Edinburgh he had mett with Sir James Smollet and had agreed with him that the quota of the soume to be given be this burgh to Dumbartoune showld be four thousand five hundered merkes, and that the contract betuixt the saids tuo burghs were writen and extended at Edinburgh, by advice of the tounes lawiers, and that the tuo doubles of the contract being transmitted to Dumbartown, and being there subscribed they have transmitted the same to be subscribed here, and produced the same in counsell; which being read and compared be and in presence of the saids magistrates and tounne counsell, they the saids magistrates and tounne counsell conveened (except William Wooddrope and Androw Cathcart, tuo of their number) approved of the said contract and haill contents thereof and subscribed the tuo doubles of the samen, whereby the saids magistrates and tounne counsell of Dumbartune grants the recept of the saids fowr thousand five hundereth merkes and ratefies the decreet of declarator obtained before the lords of counsell and sessione at the instance of the tounne of Glasgow against the tounne of Dumbartune anno j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> sixtie and six, declaireing the privildiges of the river of Clyde therein decerned to belong to this burgh, as also ane decreet of absolvitur obtained at the instance of this burgh against Dumbartoune in the said year, whereby this burgh is assolyied from the declarator raised against them at the instance of Dumbartoune; and whereby also the tounne of Dumbartoune sells and dispones to this burgh all and haill the dueties formerly payable to the burgh of Dumbartowne of weyadge, tunnage, anchoradge, measuradge, dockmaill, cocketts and haill other dueties whatsoever due and payable be all ships, barks, etc., where the freemen inhabitants of Dumbartowne are not owners or frawghters and who shall happin to load or unload within the river of Clyde in tyme comeing; and sicklyke all and haill the said burgh of Dumbartoune there share and proportionne of any offers due and payable to be made by strangers, not freemen inhabitants of the burgh of Dumbartoune, who shall import any goods to the said river of Clyde in tyme comeing; and which contract containes the provisions following, viz., that the vessells belonging to Glasgow, Port Glasgow and haill burgesses inhabitants thereof shall be free att Dumbartoune harbowr and ports thereof from any duetie and that vesshells belonging to the burgesses inhabitants of

Protestatione  
against the  
same.

Dumbartoune are exeemed from the payment of any duetie att Glasgow, Broomilaw, Port Glasgow, or other port or harbowr belonging to them, so that both burghs are to be free at each others ports, and that neither of the saids tuo burghs nor their burgesses inhabitants shall be allowed to collowr the veshells belonging to unfreemen under collor of there owne; which contract contains procuratorie of resignatione and other clawssis. Lykeas the saids magistrates and toune cownsell conveened (except the saids William Wooddrope and Androw Cathcart) have subscribed a band to Robert Duncanson of Garshaike for the principall sowme of fowr thowsand five hundered merkes, payable to him his aires and assigneys (secluding executors) at Whitsunday nixt, with annual-rent at five per cent. from Whitsunday last; and which sowme they have applyed for the toune of Dumbartounes payment of their equivalent sowme forsaid, as the pryce abovewriten; befor subscribing of the which contract and band abovewriten the said William Wooddrope, for himselfe and in name and behalfe of the said Androw Cathcart (present and concurreing with him) and of others who wowl'd concurre with them, protested against the subscribeing of the said contract in respect the pryce forsaid given for the dueties and priviledges thereby disponed be Dumbartoune were too great and exhorbitant, and desired that the cownsell might not subscribe till consent of the tuo howsses were had thereto; whereupon the provest required him to produce a commissione if he had any fra any to object and concur with him in his said protestatione, and haveing produced noe commissione and denyeing that he had any commissione, the provest answered to the said protestatione that he cowld only protest for himselfe and Androw Cathcart, and farder answered that there was sufficient meanes used and paines taken in pringging upon the pryce, as former acts of cownsell in that affair did bear, and the meeting of the tuo howses for the like was neither uswall nor needfull; after which protestatione and answeere the saids tuo dowbles of the said contract with the said band being compaired and read in presence of the magistrats and toune cownsell conveened, they and all of them (excepts the said William Wooddrope and Androw Cathcart) approved of the said contract and subscribed the same with the said band as is abovewriten.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Contract printed in Glasg. Chart., II., pp. 280-9.



4 September 1700.

The magistrates and towne cownsell conveened, James Peadie, late provest, and John Aird, younger, dean of gild, reported that, conforme to a former act in favours of William Barclay, master of wark, dated the tenth day of May last, they and others appoynted be the said act had visited the towns quarrie called the Black Quarrie and had taken consideratione thereof, and had comuned with the master of wark anent the maters contained in the said former act, and that they fownd that (conforme to ane act of the towne cownsell of this burgh dated the tuentie third day of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> and nyntie three, ordaining him to cawse red and cleang the sink of the said quarrie for draining the same, at the townes chairge, to be made use of be him to serve the inhabitants, and the benefite to be applyed to his owne behove, in maner specified in the said act) the said William Barclay had been at great labour and expenssis in casting of much earth and digging downe to the old sink, then ruinows and stopped, and repairing of the said old sink and draining of the said quarrie, for which it is the reporters opinion that he owght to have three hundered merkes. As also reported that at the tyme of the beginning to build the Black Freir Church the manadgers thereof did find that Woodsydes quarrie was near worne owt, and the stones gott therein were become very dear, did apply themselves to the said William Barclay for putting the quarrie in such a conditione as that he might furnish them with stones fitt for the work, and that att there desire he was at great labour and charge in clearing the craig and working downe to the bottom stone there, of which was three or fowr elnes deeper then ever it was of before, by which he has furnished stones to the building of a farr better qualitie and a great daill chaper then any that would be had from Woodsyds or any other quarries, and therefor it is there opinion that the said William showld have tuo hundereth merkes for helping to support him under the great expenssis of his last work forsaid. And likeways seing it will much conduce to the ease and advantage of the inhabitants of this towne and there encouragement to build, that the said quarrie be kept in a good conditione and a goeing work in tyme comeing, it is therefor there opinion that the said William Barclay showld have a nynteen year tack thereof

Act in favours  
of William  
Barclay anent  
townes  
quarrie.

and applye the benefite thereof to his owne use, in respect of the great aboundance of water and great expenssis in lifting the samen to the hight of the syre and upholding of the syre for convoyeing the same away, he alwayes being obleidged to keep the said quarrie and haill work thereof in a sufficient good goeing conditione, wherein if he failyie the tack to be null. Which haill report abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrates and towne counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof, and ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to make payment of the said tuo hundred pownds to the said William Barclay; as also ordaines the succeeding thesaurer to pay to him the said sowme of tuo hundred merkes again the tuentie day of March nixt, and ordaines the clerk to give under his hand tuo distinct warrands for that effect, and to draw up the said tack; as also the saids magistrates and towne counsell discharges all other persons to presume to work in or make use of the forsaid Black Quarrie or any pairt thereof.

30 September 1700.

Warrant for  
baillie  
Cuming,  
younger.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to Matthew Cuming, younger, [£48 12 s. Scots, whereof £16 6 s.] for black silk freinges to the velvet cloath which lyes before the provest in the seat in the Heigh Church; and the remainder therof for mounting to the drummers cloaths whilks were furnished in October, June and August last.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
John Boyd.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to John Boyd, chirurgen, the soume of threttie pounds Scots for cureing ane fracture in the theigh of a poor boy, at the desire of the dean of gild, and for cureing of ane fracture in the arme of John Purden who had his arme broken at the last accidentall fire and for reponeing and cureing ane dislocation in his knee, and for medicaments externall and internall for his bruises and spitting of blood, and for cureing of Thomas Rae of some bruises and spitting of blood gott be him at the said fire.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
William  
Hamiltone.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, thesaurer, to pay to William Hamilton, servitor to the clerk, threttie six pounds Scots money for his extraordinary paines in writeing in the tounes affairs this last year, there haveing severall things occurred which were not usewall formerly, particularly when the tounes books and accompts wer revised, and likewayes for

attending of many committees which were appoynted for consideratione of stents and anent seat rents, which he behooved allwayes to attend and wherein there was much writeing, besyds many other things which did frequently occur.

1 October 1700.

[John Andersone, provost; John Aird, elder, and Robert Yuill, of the Election of merchants' rank, and John Woddrope, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] provost and bailies.

4 October 1700.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1700.

[John Aird, younger, dean of guild; Simeon Tennent, deacon convener; John Dean of guild, Wallace, treasurer; Mungo Cochrane, bailie of Gorbals; Thomas Hamilton, water etc. bailie; William Barclay, master of work; Thomas Hamiltone, visitor of maltmen; Thomas Nicoll, visitor of gardeners; Alexander Tran, visitor of chirurgeons.]

12 October 1700.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, late thesaurer, to pay to John Andersone, Warrant, late provest, [£20 16 s. 6 d.] Scotts money of expenssis depursed be him the thesaurer. tyme of the sitting of the last synod in Mr. David Broun, minister, his transportation, quherof there is a guinzie given to the clerk of the synod of instrument money upon the sentance and tuo dollers to the toune and kirk.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 4 merks Scots the Bread, tallow, stone; and candle for £3 Scots the stone.] candle.

24 October 1700.

Ordaines Robert Yuill, baillie, late thesaurer, to have allowance [of Warrant, late £67 4 s.] Scotts money payed out be him to James Aird, merchant, for thesaurer. confections and fruits furnished be him to a trait given be the magistrates to the president of the session <sup>1</sup> and divers ladys with him in August last.

<sup>1</sup> Sir Hugh Dalrymple of North Berwick, Bart.

Scotts  
schoolis to be  
visited.

The magistrates and toune counsell conveened, takeing to consideration that the masters of the Grammer School and others doe complaine that the teachers of the Scots schoollis in toune are deffective in makeing there schoollers to have the questions in the catechisme and otherwayes, does therefor recomend the generall session that the ministers and others whom they think fitt goe alongs with the magistrates and visite the saids Scots schoollis and make inquirie in and tryell of what grounds there may be for the saids complaints.

The dean of  
gild, etc., to  
visite William  
Douglass his  
tenement.

There was a petition given in be William Dowglass, merchant, showing that he had pertaining to him ane tenement of land, heigh and laigh, lyand in the closs called James Armouris closs, which being a thatch house and haveing ane clay lumb head the petitioner designed to cawse take down the same and rebuild in stone, and in regaird that the said closs is now become ane common passage and that he may meet with complaints by nighbours, therefor craveing a visite for regulat- ing his front, as the said petitione bears; which being considered be the saids magistrates and toune counsell they hereby recomend to and appoynt James Peadie, late provest, the dean of gild and his brethern of counsell and James Sloss to visite the said tenement and doe in the matter of the said petition as they shall think expedient.

23 December 1700.

Act, marques  
of Argyle,  
his debts.

The provest, baillies and toune counsell conveened, takeing to there consideratione that the late marques of Argyle stands indebted to them, for themselves as representing the comunitie of the said burgh and as patron to Hutchisons Hospitall cituate therein, in the respective soumes following, viz., the soume of ten thousand pound Scotts money principal, with the bygon resting annualrents, with the liquidat expenssis contained in a band granted be the said late marques, therein designed Archibald lord Lorne, as principall, and his cawtioners therein named, conjunctlie and severallie, to the said burgh, dated the seventh day of October j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> threttie six years; item, the soume of ten thousand merkes with the bygone resting annualrents and liquidat expenssis contained in another band granted be the said laite marques and his cawtioners to Hutchisons Hospitall forsaid, dated the sixteen day of August j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> fourtie three

years; item, the soume of eight hundereth pownds money forsaid, with penaltie and annualrents, contained in another band granted be the said laite marques, dated the eighteen day of March j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> fourtie five years; and that Archbald now earle of Argyle and the said laite marques his creditors, whereof they are a pairt as said is, have intented process befor the parliament for reduceing the decreet of foirfaulter against the said laite marques by the heigh cowrt of parliament *anno* j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> sixtie one, with all that hes followed thereupon, 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 laite marques of Argyle; and seeing the said earle is most willing to allocatt the haill debts and lands thereby affected, due by the family of Huntly to the said marques of Argyle, for payment of the said marques of Argyle his debts, according to his creditors there respective intrests, the saids magistrates and towne cownsell think it most reasonable that the said earle of Argyle should be in noe worse conditione by reductione of the said foirfaulter then presently he stands in, therefor the saids magistrates and towne cownsell, for themselves and as representing the comunity of the said burgh and as patrons to the said hospitall, doe hereby declare and bind and obleidge and inact themselves and their successors in office that the said Archbald now earle of Argyle, his aires and successors, their persons and their estates, personall and reall, shall noe wayes be persewed, burdened or affected with any of the debts and soumes forsaid, contained in the saids three bands; and they hereby discharge the said earle, his aires and successors, of all actione and executione competent against them upon the accompt of the forsaid reduction for ever; and the said magistrates and towne cownsell hereby restricts themselves to such soumes as shall happen to be recovered from George duck of Gordon and Charles earle of Aboyn, as donators to the said marques of Argyle his foirfaulter, and all other representatives of the said marques of Huntly and others deriveand right frae them, to be divyded equallie and proportionally among the said marques of Argyles haill creditors, whereof the said magistrates and towne cownsell are a pairt as said is, according to their respective soumes, ay and whill they be payed of there saids debts, but prejudice allwayes to the saids magistrates and towne

counsell and there successors in office, as representing the community of the said burgh and as patrons forsaid, to use dilligence against the cawtioners of the said marques of Argyle bownd be the bands above-narated in so far as concernes the soumes therin contained yet resting and not effectually payed; provydeing alwayes that in caise the said earle and his creditors shall happen to prevaill in the said process, whereby he shall have access to the estate belonging to the said marques of Huntly for payment of the forsaid debts, then and in that caise he shall be holden and obleidged to convey the saids debts and lands thereby affected in favours of the haill creditors of the said marques of Argyle, the said earle, his persone and his other estate, personall and reall, being alwayes free as said is, deduceing alwayes out of the first end of the forsaid soumes recovered out of the estate of Huntly the said earle his charges and expensses for careing on the forsaid process and makeing the forsaid debts effectuall; and the saids magistrates and towne counsell obleidge them and there successors in office that upon payment of there saids debts that they shall renunce and discharge the severall rights and debts forsaid in favours of the said earle and his forsaid.<sup>1</sup>

31 *December* 1700.

Mr. David  
Broun,  
minister.

[Commissioners appointed to attend the presbytery of Paisley on 1st January] and to concure with these appoynted be the generall church sessione of this burgh in adreseing the said presbitry in relatione to Mr. David Broun, minister at Neilstowne, his transportation to and settlement in this burgh.

11 *January* 1701.

Adress to the  
parliament.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, approves of Robert Yuill, baillie, [and others] goeing to Edinburgh in December last for attending the present sessione of parliament and defending against the complaint given into the parliament against the magistrats and toun counsell be George Lockhart, merchand, and his adherents. As allso the saids magistrats ad toun counsell hereby appoynts John Woddrope, baillie, [and others] to repair to Edinburgh and there, with the assistance of any others of the toun counsell there at present (by themselves or in

<sup>1</sup> See Glasg. Rec., III., pp. 294-5.

concurrence with other royall burghs), to address and supplicate the parliament for there giving warrand and pouer to lay on the suplee and publick burden of this burgh, in such manner and wayes within the samen as may be most to the inclinatione and satisfactiōe and ease of the community of the said burgh, and by the advyce of the merchants and trades ranks thereof or otherwayes, for the said parliaments giving warrand to affect and burden the touns gift of two pennys on the pynt with the payment of the touns proportione of the burrow missive dues, and to supplicat the parliament for both or ether of these or for any other pouer and liberty for makeing the great public burden upon this burgh more easie to the inhabitants thereof as they shall find most expedient.

The magistrats and toun counsell doe impouer, commissionate and Baillie Aird appoynt John Aird, elder, baillie, to subscriue (for the touns publick <sup>to subscriue</sup> interest in the joynt stock of the company tradeing to Affrica and the <sup>for the coun-</sup> sell. Indies) ane supplicatione to the parliament regrateing the insuccessfullnes of the said companys designes, and supplicating that the parliament would appoynt a comity in relatione to the said companys affairs, and stope all proces and executione for farder payments till examinatione and inquirie be made in there affairs, excepting the proportiones the payments whereof are already appoynted be the counsell and directors of the said company, as is more fully expressed in the supplicatione.

16 *January* 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, James Birkmyres, <sup>Offers of</sup> merchand, in whose hands the twenty boxes of soure orangers and fyve <sup>Brebners</sup> boxes of lemions (formerly offered be James Brebner) are now consigned <sup>goods.</sup> be the said James, did of new offer to the saids magistrats and toun counsell so many of the saids orangers and limonds as remaine now unconsumed and not rotten, viz., 17 boxes of the soure orangers and four boxes of the limonds, att 24 lib for each box, to be delivered within this burgh att the pryce forsaid, payable within three moneths, the goods free of all duty to the buyer; which offer forsaid being considered be the magistrats and toun counsell they reject the same as too dear, but allous the offerer to sell the samen in haill sale to any burges and gildbrother

of this burgh, provydeing he sell the same att no louver nor easier rate then the said pryce offered att.

5 February 1701.

Counsell  
bookis.

This fyfth of February 1701, the hail counsell bookis, preceeding this to the tuentie eight of May 1636 years, backward, in all eleven, are sent to Edinburgh, to the provest.<sup>1</sup>

31 March 1701.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
Thomas  
Alstoune.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, Thomas Alstoune, cordoner, gave in a petitione sheuing that he had made to the touns use sixty new bucketts, pryce 24 s. the peice, and that he had mended 32 old bucketts att 10 s. the peice, and craveing in respect of his present strait that the half might be payed to him, detained in the first end of what he owes to the toun, wherupon the magistrats and toun counsell ordained and ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to pay to the petitioner sixteen pounds for the mended bucketts, and appoynts the pryce of the makeing of the saids new ones to be sixty pound, for which sixty pounds ordaines the thesaurer to give a recept to the petitioner in pairt of what he owes to the toun and to gett a discharge frae him of the wholle soumes forsaid.

Warrant for  
the late  
provest.

Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to pay to John Andersone of Dowhill provest, [£684 16 s. 6 d.] Scotts, quherof there is fyve hundreth seventy six pund as his personall expenssis in attending the parliament, the generall assembly and other affairs of this toun, frae the twenty sixth of October last to the tenty of March instant, both inclusive, and the remainder for horssis hyres and drink money to the servants of the commissioner, chancellor, secretary and other noblemen, and for other small particulars.

Warrant,  
harbour of  
Kingorne.

Ordaines baillie Yuill, late thesaurer, to have allowance [of £38 10 s.] Scotts, payed out be him more then the threttie three pound ten shilling receaved be him as the voluntary collectione for building and repairing the harbour of Kingorne.

Agreement  
anent stent of  
Port Glasgow.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, John Andersone of Dowhill reported that the toun of Greenock haveing right from the

<sup>1</sup> Written on a fly-leaf of MS. Council Record, beginning 12th March, 1698.



commissione of parliament appoynted for the unfree trade to uplift what quota should fall to be payed by New Port Glasgow for the trade frae Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie tuo to Lambmes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie eight, the said provest judgeing it adviseable and expedient, in order to a better conclusion of the said matter, that the same should be submittel, therefore Sir John Shaw of Greenock, takeing burden on him for the toun of Greenock, and the provest, for himself and in name and behalf and takeing burden upon him for the inhabitants of New Port Glasgow, did agree to what soume the president of the sessione should determine to be payed be the said provest in behalf forsaid to the said Sir John; wherupon the president did appoynt the provest to make payment to the said Sir John according to the proportion of ane shilling six pennys Scotts in the burrous tax roll for each moneths cess imposed dureing the space forsaid, extending in the haille to fyve hundereth and twelve pound Scotts. . . . Which report and determinatione forsaid being considered, the saids magistrats and toun counsell approved and hereby approves thereof; and in respect that the inhabitants of Port Glasgow did pay in some proportion of the stent of this burgh for some tyme bygaine, and are to be comptable to the counsell for the remainder wherein they are yet debtors, therefore ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to make payment to the said Sir John Shaw of the said soume of fyve hundereth and twelve pounds, and to obtaine frae him a discharge . . . thir presents being to be nowayes prejudiciall as to the remainder yet resting to the toun be the inhabitants of New Port Glasgow after deductione of what payments they have made as said is.

5 April 1701.

Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to make payment to William Warrant for Carmichaell of [£18 10 s.] Scotts money, spent in his house be the William Carmichaell. magistrats with master David Broun, late minister of Neilstoun and other ministers and freinds in January last, att a conference with him in relatione to his transportatione to this toun; as also of [£100 9 s. 4 d.] money forsaid, spent in the said Williams house in Feberwary last be the magistrats att a dinner, att the placeing of the said Mr. David, to the ministers of the presbetry and others.

Fulton,  
burges and  
gild brother.

Ordaines the dean of gild and his brethren of counsell to admitt Hugh Fulton, apothecary in Neilstoun, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes upon the account of his being freindly and usefull in relation to Mr. David Broun his call and transportatione to this toun.

3 May 1701.

Mary Youngs  
sellarie  
restricted.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, considering that Mary Young, schooll mistres, hes dureing the counsells pleasure promitted to her ane yearly sellarie of tuo hundereth merks for her encouragement to teach young women in this burgh, conforme to a former acted dated [4th September, 1697], and now in regaird her encouragement is considerable be a good schooll, therefore the saids magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby restrict the said sellarie to the soume of ane hundered merks, yearly, to be payed to her be the toun thesaurer efter Whitsunday nixt to come, dureing the counsells pleasure, and recinds the said former act in her favours, and appoynts the thesaurer to intimate thir presents to her.

Anent  
visiting the  
new milne of  
Partick.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, anent the tuo petitions given in to them, the one be Matthew Machan, merchant, shewing that the toun counsell had sett in tack to the deceast Archbald Hamiltoun, maltman, the milnership of the new milne of Partick, for nynteen years after the entry contained in the tack, and the said Archbald being removed by death and Janet Hamiltone, ane of his daughters and spouse to the said Matthew, being his nixt air and so to succeed to her father in the said tack, craveing therefore that the counsell would pass ane act in the said Mattheus favours for his haveing the priviledge be vertue of the said tack for the years yet to run; and the other petitione given in be Francis Wark, merchand, sheuing that the said new milne was att this tyme destitute of a milner, and as the petitioner was qualified for the office of milnership so he offered his service therein, and was content to pay therefore ane hundered merks, yearly, and be obleidged to put the milne and pertinents in ane sufficient conditione and keep and uphold them so dureing his possessione and to keep the toun free of all expenses ether of the milne or milnedame dureing the said space, and therefore craveing a tack in the termes forsaid; as the saids tuo supplicationes

bears. Which petitiones being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they appoynted and hereby appoynts George Buchanan and Mungo Cochran to goe to the said milne and take with them a workman knoun in milne wright work, and visite the said milne and consider the present case thereof and what reparationes the said deceast Archbald Hamilton hes made thereupon, and make inquirie anent the conditiones and fittednes of the said Matthew Machan and Francis Wark, and who of them may be most fitt for the said office, and make there report thereof to the counsell att there nixt meeting.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, the magistrats haveing represented that the keeping of the touns guards was much slighted and neglected since the marcheing of the last regement from this burgh, therefore they hereby appoynt the magistrats to call before them the hail officers of the companys of this burgh, and ordaines them to give due attendance in their offices att the keeping of the guards, and if any of the officers shall be unfitt or unwilling to officiate that the magistrats shall place others in there roume, and make there report to the counsell of there proceedure.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, considering that the toun has builded ane mercat place on the west syde of the Candlerig, and on the north end of the weigh house there, which was designed att building for a fish mercat; and judgeing it far more seemly and expedient that fish should be kepted in and sold within the said mercat place then in the open streets, doe therefore hereby appoynt the said mercat place to be for a fish mercat in tyme comeing, and in order thereunto doe hereby appoynt the dean of gild [and others] to take to there consideratione what fitt rules, orders and methods may be expedient for regulating of the said mercat, and what fishes shall be oblidge to be sold there, and upon other expedients in relatione to the said mercat, and put there thoughts of the saids matters in writte and report the same to the counsell.

Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to pay to Simon Tennent, deacon conveyener, seven pound elevin shilling Scotts, wherof fyve pound payed out be him for cureing John Philips child of a broken leg, and fyftie one shilling as the pryce of four pound of tobacco furnished be him to the provest and given be him to one of the touns freinds att Edinburgh and of a bag about the same.

Anent the  
toun guards.

Act anent the  
fish mercat.

Warrant for  
deacon conveyener.

Warrant for Mr. John Muir. Ordaines the thesaurer to give to Mr. John Muir, student of divinity, six pounds Scotts for helping him to subsist and buy books.

Warrant for postmaster. Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Thomsone, postmaster, twenty four pounds Scotts as ane years sallarie preceeding the date hereof for furnishing a weekly post to and from Port Glasgow; and appoynts the said yearly sallarie to be continued durement the counsells pleasure.

8 May 1701.

Warrant for James Aird. Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to pay to James Aird, merchant, three score pounds sixteen shilling Scotts for confects and fruits furnished be him to a trate given be the magistrats to the earle of Dunigald, conforme to a particular accompt thereof.

Report anent the touns new milne. George Buchanan and Mungo Cochrane, who are (be ane former act dated the third day of May instant) appoynted to visite the touns new milne upon the water of Kelvine, in manner specifeit in the said act, reported that they had visited the said milne, and takeing alongs with them thereunto John Corse, milne wright, and George Muir, measone, and that they find the said milne att present to be a goeing milne, but that her outter wheell is not very sufficient and that the inner wheell most be shortly removed, that the middle wall betuixt the saids tuo wheells is ruinous, and that the last reparatione made thereon be umquhill Archbald Hamilton was only be stopping of holls therein with clay, which was done be the said George Muir att the said Archbalds desyre, and that the said midwall most be immediately taken down and rebuildd from top to bottome, which will occasione the takeing out of the aiseltree, and that both wheells must be renewed, and that there is a present necessity for a new nether milnestone, and that the houns and standarts are insufficient, and as to the millers houses they are ruinous and scarce habitable, and as to what reparationes umquhill Archbald Hamiltoun did make upon the milne, they can give no report thereanent in respect they know not the conditione in which he received her, only they find that there [is] absolute need for the reparationes for-saids; they find lykeways that the milners have cutted a tree which was not only a decorement there but allso a support to the brae and kept it frae falling upon the milne lead; and reffers to the counsells con-

sideratione whether Francis Wark or Matthew Machane be fittest for the officers of milnership; and represented that there is a grumbling and complaining made both be the maltmen and tacksmen of the multures that nether the said milne nor the touns other milnes are honestly and sufficiently kept; as the said report bears. Lykeas Jonnet Steuart, relict of the said umquhill Archbald Hamilton, gave in a supplicatione to the saids magistrats and toun counsell craveing that they wowl continoue her in the milnership of the said milne dureing the years yet to run of her said umquhill husbands tack, in respect of her husbands great expenssis in makeing reparationes and keeping the milne sufficient and of the poor conditione he had left her and a young child, in much occasioned thereby, as the said supplicatione allso more fully bears. As also they caused read in their presence the tack sett to the said umquhill Archbald Hamilton, whereby the milnership of the said milne is sett to him, his airs or assigneys, they being allwayes approven be the toun counsell and no other wayes, by which tack the said umquhill Archbald acknowledges the milne, aiseltree, wheells, trows, milnestones and other pertinents to have been in a sufficient case att his entry, and he is bound to mantaine and uphold the samen, with the kilne and houses, in a sufficient case dureing the tack and leave them so att the ish thereof, and if he failyied in any pairt the tack to be null, as the tack more fully bears. And now the saids magistrats and toun counsell haveing considered the forsaid report, as also the petitions given in be the said Matthew Machane and Francis Wark, mentioned in the said former act, with the forsaid petitione now given in be the said Archbald his relict, with the said tack, they find that nether the said Matthew nor the said relict are any way fitt for the said office and that the said Archbald hes incurred the irritancie in the said tack by not maintaining and upholding of the milne, kilne and houses conforme thereunto, and that the said Francis Wark is a fitt persone and recomended be diverse of the maltmen and multurers to be preferred to the said office, therefore they promise to the said Francis a nyneteen year tack of the milnership of the said milne in the termes and upon the conditiones specifeit in his supplicatione mentioned in the said former act, and containing other ordinary clausses used and wont.

Francis Wark  
to be milner  
thereof.

27 May 1701.

Warrant,  
marques of  
Montrose.

The provest  
and others to  
goe to Edin-  
burgh.

Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to pay to James Aird, merchant, [£52 4 s.] Scotts money for fruits and confits furnished be him to a treat given be the magistrats to the marques of Montrose in May instant.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that the complaint formerly given in to the last sessione of parliament be George Lockhart, merchant, and his adherents, against the magistrats and toun counsell is remitted be the parliament to the lords of sessione,<sup>1</sup> and that the same is to be insisted in before the saids lords in the begining of June nixt; as lykewayes that there are letters raist before the lords of his Majesties privie counsell, at the instance of his Majesties advocate and of Robert Yuill, present baillie, for himself and in name of the rest of the magistrats and of Robert Greenleis, town officer, against the laird of Borrowfeild, for his beating and abuseing the said officer when executeing the said baillie his orders; and that there is letters of reconventionne raised before the said privie counsell at the instance of Borrowfeild against the magistrats and both letters are execute; therefore the magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby commissionate and appoynt John Andersone of Dowhill, provest, and the said Robert Yuill, baillie, and any others of the toun counsell whom they shall think fitt to call to there assistance, to repair to Edinburgh, and there to attend the saids causes and actiones in defence and persute as may be requisite, and to doe all things needfull and incumbent in the manadgement thereof.

Tack of new  
milne sub-  
scryved.

The magistrats and counsell have, conforme to a former act dated the eight day of May instant, subscriyved a tack in favours of Francis Wark, merchant (secludeing his airs, executors or assigneys), of the milnership of the tounes new milne upon the water of Kelvine, for nyneteen years after the second day of June nixt, for which he is bund to repair and put the milne, axiltree, wheels, trows, milnestones, milne dame and lead and other pertinents of the milne in a sufficient conditione immediatly, and to maintaine and wphold the samen so dureing the said space, and to serve faithfully, under the penalty therein specifeit: and if Francis shall faillye in any part of the premisses the tack is to

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Chart., II., p. 423, No. 1004.

be null; as also he is to pay ane hundred merks yearly to the toun dureing the tack.

2 June 1701.

Appoynts the magistrats [and others] to visit Patrick Reid, maltman, <sup>A visite for</sup> his tenement without the West Port, on the north syde of the street, and <sup>Patrick Reid.</sup> to determine and mark out to him how far he is to come outwith and where he is to build up his stone front of the said tenement which he is purposed to build.

3 June 1701.

[Mills, 7,000 merks; ladles, 4,600 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,300 merks; Common good tron, 1,070 merks; bridge, 1,700 merks; crane, 380 merks.] <sup>set.</sup>

15 July 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscryved a call to Mr. <sup>Call sub-</sup> Alexander Wodrow, preacher of the gospell, to be minister of the west <sup>scrivit to Mr.</sup> quarter of this burgh. <sup>Alexander Wodrow.</sup>

John Maxwell, merchant, gave in ane petitione shewing that he hes <sup>Comitte to</sup> pertaining and belonging to him that fore tenement of land fore <sup>visite John</sup> against <sup>Maxwells</sup> the colledge which sometime pertained to umquhill James Elphingstone <sup>tenement.</sup> and is bounded with ane fore tenement there on the west belonging to Mr. James Simpstone, and there is ane foir stair that enters off the foir street which is ane entry to a pairt of both there lands, and the said entry being but ane narrow entry and altogether useles to any of them, they haveing other sufficient entrys and more convenient, and the said John Maxwell, being now building ane stone fore front for better decorement of the place and to putt ane sklaitt roof thereon, he intends to take in his half of the said stair and entry for building up ane windskeu, which will not only enlarge his fore front but also will be advantagious to the said Mr. James Simpstone for the enlargement of his fore house, and therefore craveing the saids magistrats and toun counsell to visit the same and to find and declare that the said John Maxwell hes the equall half of the said stair and to allow him to take in his half for building up ane windskeu for his better conveniency in building and decoreing of the place, as the said supplicatione bears; which being considered by the saids magistrats and toun counsell they appoynt John Woddrope, baillie,

[and others] with the dean of gild and his bretheren, to visite the said tenement, fore stair and entry, and to determine thereanent as they shall think fitt and convenient.

18 August 1701.

Anent a new  
erectione for  
a sixth  
minister.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, compeared before them Mr. James Broun, Mr. Alexander Haistie and Mr. David Broun, ministers of the burgh of Glasgow, John Robertsons, elder, Mr. Alexander Hendersone, John Stirling, William Bogle, William Baxter and James Aird, as haveing commissione from the generall sessione of the church of Glasgow for appearing before the saids magistrats and toun counsell, for presenting the address efterspecifeit and doeing everything proper and incumbent in that matter, conforme to there commissione under the hand of Quintine Reid, sessione clerk, dated the seventh day of August instant, and gave in the humble and earnest address of the said generall sessione, sheuing that whereas it hath allwayes been looked upon as the deuty of christians, especially of those in a publick capacity, to lay out themselves for promotting the interest and kingdome of Christ in the places wherein they are concerned, and that it is most certain that the erectione of a ministry sutable unto the necessity of a people doth most natively contribute unto that end, and considering that such is the multitude of people in this place as doeth requyre some additione to be made unto the ministry therein, which cannot be done without the saids magistrats and counsell there putting hand to the work so as to render it effectwall, the generall sessione have thought it incumbent upon them, in all humility, and with all due deference, to represent unto the saids magistrats and counsell the necessity of a sixth erectione in this city, which the petitioners hope will be readily agreed unto, if these things be seriously considered:—(1) That upwards of fifty years agoe this city was planted with fyve ministers which were then judged requisite, and it is weell knoun that the number of inhabitants is so far increased since that tyme that it doeth now plead as much for six as it did then for fyve, yea (2) The petitioners find that in March, 1660, when the inhabitants were not so numerous as now, the then magistrats and toun counsell were so far convinced of the necessity of a sixth erectione that by there act they did then condescend unto the same, which undoubtedly had



been made effectwall if the Revolutione quickly ensuing had not abstracted; and now seeing both the need is greater and the occasione more promising it deseryes to be considered. (3) The weight of the present charge unto fyve ministers is so unsupportable that these years past they have been groaning under it as a burden too heavy for them to bear, and that some of them have been taken away by death and the most pairt of these remaining are become valetudinary, haveing need to be encouradged and alsæ much as may be to have there burden lightned, yea it is too palpable that the greatnes of the charge doth render it exceeding difficult to gett a vacancie in this city supplied when att any tyme it happens, and it may not a litle facilitate the speedy planting of this place with a competent number of ministers if the desyred erectione shall take effect. (4) The magistrats and counsell have the laudable example of other places, particularly of the city of Edinburgh, goeing before them in the lyke caise. And, finally, the said generall sessione doe hope that this will not be a litle moveing to the magistrats and counsell that the Lord in former dayes did signally testifie His displeasure att those who neglected to improve the opportunities they had for building of His house and promoting of His interest, and that therefore He frowned upon them even in there temporall concernes; as also that He made encourageing promises even with respect to the temporall prosperity of those that wowlde actively concurr in carrying on so good a work. This is evident from the first and second chapters of the prophet Haggai, and whatsoever things were written afore tymes were written for our learning, Rom. xv. 4; unto which wee may subjoyne the words of the wise man, Prov. ii. 24,—There is that scattereth and yet increaseth and there is that withholdeth more then is meet and it tendeth to proverty; as also the words of the apostle, 2 Cor. ix. 6,—But this I say he which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully; and v. 8,—God is able to make all grace abound towards yow that yow allwayes haveing all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work. And therefore, with all earnestnes, intreating that the promissis may be duely pondered and that the magistrats and toun counsell may doe what is incumbent upon them for rendring the desyred new erectione effectuall; as the said address and supplicatione proports.

Lykeas the saids ministers and others, commissionate as said is, produced the forsaid act and commissione of the said generall sessione of the date and contents abovewritin, and efter presenting of the said address and commissione the forenamed ministers and others forsaid, commissionate as said is, being removed out of the counsell house, and the saids provest, baillies and toun counsell haveing caused read in there presence the said address and commissione, and they haveing considered the samen declared that they are unanimously of the opinion that a new erectione for a sixth minister is very needfull, and for the more clear and deliberate prosecutione thereof they hereby appoynt the magistrats [and others] to joyne with the ministers and others appoynted or to be appoynted be the generall sessione to consider what things may be needfull to be previously considered and done, before farder procedure in the said matter, and especially that they make ane just and equall divisione of this city in six quarters or pairts, to the effect the quarter and proportione to which the sixth minister is to be called may be constitute and cleared, as also appoynts that in this procedure lists of the hail examinable persones be made up, and that the said comity make report of there hail dilligence and procedure to the counsell, that thereafter they may proceed to a more mature consideration off and full deliberatione in the hail matter abovewritten.

A confirmatione to Matthew Watstone in Muir of Gorbals.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscryved ane confirmatione of a dispositione be John Muir, portioner of Muir of Gorbals, in favours of Matthew Watstone, now in Muir of Gorbals, of three aikers and tuo falls, or thereby, of arable land, with houses, yards and others thereupon, lyand and bounded in manner specified in the dispositione; reservand to the toun all coall and lymestone within the saids lands; to be holden in few for the yearly payment of eighteen pounds of fewdeuty and performing other duties and services specified in the said dispositione and in the originall fewright.

30 August 1701.

Finlayson, Miller, and Campbell burgesses, etc.

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren of his counsell to admitt Alexander Finlaysone, wrytter in Edinburgh, the touns agent, burges and gild brother of this burgh; as also to admitt Robert Miller, servitor to Hugh Montgomery of Busbie, merchant, burges and gild brother of the

said burgh, att the desyre of his said master; and lykewayes John Campbell, merchand, burges and gild brother of this burgh, att the desyre of Mr. John Campbell, brother to the duke of Argyll, and remitt there fynes for good service done and to be done to this burgh be the said Alexander Finlaysone, Hugh Montgomery and Mr. John Campbell; and ordaines the clerk to give severall extracts hereof.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, the provest represented that the proces att the instance of George Lockhart and his adherents was diverse tymes called and debated before the lords of sessione *in presentia* in the last summer sessione, and that that pairt of the lybell against the legality of the magistracie of this burgh being first insisted in, the lords, efter dispute thereupon, had determined the said point in favours of the magistrats and counsell, and be there decreit and sentence thereupon fand and declared the legality of the magistracy of this burgh and delayed as to the rest of the poynts till the nixt sessione, in manner contained in the decreit pronounced therein; as also represented that he, baillie Yuill, the dean of gild, and some others of the toun counsell who were att Edinburgh in defence of the said plea, together with the said George Lockhart and some of his adherents, haveing mett with the president and some other lords of sessione, the saids lords gave their advyce that both pairties should use their endeavours to ane amicable settlement for removeing debates, as is more particularly contained in the written memorandum thereanent; and farder represented that since his comeing from Edinburgh he had receaved a paper containing diverse proposalls made be the other pairtie, containing diverse innovationes and alterationes of the sett of this burgh and some other things, as is therein particularly exprest; which representatione being heard be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, and the forsaid advyce and proposalls being fully read in there presence, the saids magistrats and toun counsell were unanimously of the opinion that the said proposealls containing such considerable alterationes and innovationes, the consideratione thereof should be delayed till the nixt counsell day, and appoynts the clerk to cause wrytt diverse coppies of the said advyce and proposealls that members of the counsell who pleased to demand the samen might have them to consider upon.

Anent George  
Lockharts  
plea.

13 *September* 1701.

A committee to  
conferre with  
George Lock-  
hart and his  
adherents.

The provest resumed his representatione formerly made be him to the toun counsell in relatione to George Lockhart and his adherents there plea and the counsells continouing their consideratione thereof till this day, conforme to a former act dated the threttie day of August last, and desyred that the counsell might give there thoughts and minds anent the saids proposealls, whereupon the saids magistrats and toun counsell, haveing reasoned upon and considered the saids proposealls, doe find that for the most pairt the same doe contain innovationes and alterationes upon the sett of this burgh and manner of electione of the baillies and incratchments upon the gildrie, as also derogative to the power and priviledge of the toun counsell, matters that in their judgement might produce bad events or consequences and make way for trouble, confusion and discord, instead of promoting of unity and concord which have been long enjoyed among the incorporationes of this burgh; nevertheless they, being willing to promote (in so far as is in their power) anything that may be for the security and good of this burgh, doe allowe that there should be a freindly commoning and conference, and therefore appoynts the magistrats [and others] as a committy to meet and conveene in William Carmichaell his great dyning room, upon Munday nixt, being the fyfteinth instant, att ten of the clock forenoon, there to meet with the said George Lockhart and others that shall come there to adhere to or insist in the saids proposealls, and to conferr with them thereanent, as also to invite some neighboring gentlemen, one or more, whom they think most fitt to be present att that or any subsequent meetings in the said matter, for hearing of conference, and that the committy make there report to the counsell; and appoynts baillie Yuill to give advertisment to George Lockhart of the said meeting that he and his adherents may meet as said is.

Warrant,  
French pro-  
testant.

Ordaines John Wallace, thesaurer, to give to Isaac Berrie, a poor French protestant, tuo rex dollars for helping him and his family in there way.

Tombs on the  
new kirk  
walls and  
dycks there-  
of.

The magistrats and toun counsell, takeing to there consideratione that John Aird, dean of gild, Simeon Tennent, deacon conveener, Thomas Peters and John Corse, manadgers of the building of the new kirk (in that

place where the old Blackfreir Kirk was formerly situate) have made tombs or burial place on the walls of the said kirk and kirkyeard dycks thereof, and that the dean of gild and his brethern of counsell have sold and given rights of a considerable number thereof to such of the inhabitants as would buy the same, and to there airs and assigneys, and that the manadgers have applied the pryces given therefor for helping to carry on the building, doe find and declare that the saids manadgers and the dean of gild and brethern have acted profitably and commendable in the saids matters, and therefore ratifie and approve the same and appoynts and impowers the dean of gild and brethren and there successors in office to sell and dispose upon the remanent tombs for buriall places yet to be disposed of and applye the pryces towards the helping to defray the expenssis of the said building, and ordaines and appoynts all rights and acts already made and granted or that shall be made and granted herefter be them of the samen shall be good, valide and sufficient in all tyme coming.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveyened, the provest, baillies and others of the committee appoynted be a former act, dated the eighteen of August last, anent the erection of a sixth minister within this burgh, reported that they had mett with the ministers and others appoynted be the generall sessione for making ane equall divisione of this city in six quarters or pairts, and for makeing up lists of the haill examinable persones within this burgh conforme to the said former act, and had made the said divisione and taken up the number of the examinable persones and gave in the samen in wrytt, whereof the tenor folloues:—

THE DIVISIONE of the Toun of Glasgow into Six Paroches.

Imprimis, the north quarter, comprehending both Drygate and Rottinraw and countrey places, and coming down to the Broad Closs on the west and Blackfreirs Church on the east, containing of examinable persons,...	Number of examinable persons.
1777	
The middle quarter, beginning att the Blackfreir Church on the east and Robert Sanders land on the west, including the Broad Closs and coming from those pairts doun the High Street to the Cross, containing, ...	1685

Report of the  
division of the  
toun in six  
pairts.

The east quarter, beginning att the head of the Gallowgate on the north syde and comprehending the wholle Gallowgate and the east syde of the Saltmercat to Alexander Thomsons land, containing, ... ..	Number of examinable persons.
	1628
The south quarter from the said Thomsons land on the east and John Stevensones land on the west of the Saltmercat and running on both sydes to the Bridgegate, and comprehending both sydes of the Bridgegate and Goosedubbs and a peice of the New Wynd at the foot of Margaret Maxwells house in James Wries land on the east and Jannet Barrs in umquhill John Wallace land on the west, containing, ... ..	1648
The southwest quarter, beginning att John Stevensones land on the east of the Saltmercat and so running up to the Cross and then along the south syde of the Trongate to the east corner of the Stockwell, comprehending a peice of the New Wynd to Margaret Maxwell on the east and Jannet Barrs on the west and the wholle Old Wynd, and from the east corner of the Stockwell to the Goosedubbs, containing, ... ..	1649
North west quarter, beginning att the Tolbuith on the north syde and running west to the Port and taking in all without the West Port and the west syde of the Stockwell from head to foot and comprehending the Candle Street and Bells Wynd to Walter M'Kippens land on the north and Mr. John Bells on the south and Grammar Schooll Wynd, as also all the Back Wynd, containing, ... ..	1607
	9994

*Glasgow, September 9, 1701.*—The committee appoynted by the toun counsel and generall sessione for preparing a division of the toun into six paroches mett att the Troan Kirk. . . . All the severall rolls of the inhabitants in each quarter being computed, and the totall being divyded into six, and laid out as on the other syde, after mature consideratione of the same, the committee did unanimously by there vote agree upon it as a fitt scheme and modell of the said six paroches to be presented to the toun counsell att there nixt meeting. . . . Which report and division abovewritten being read in presence of the saids magistrates and toun counsell they approved and hereby approves thereof.

20 September 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, takeing to their con-<sup>James</sup>sideratione that efter the decease of George Anderson, late clerk of this <sup>M'Bryd made</sup>burgh, the dues and perquisites of the office of clerkship of the said <sup>clerk during</sup>burgh were, for the ease and advantage of the neighbours and inhabitants of this city, considerably impaired and restricted from what off before had been in use, and regulate to such particular dues as have been found to be a narrow provisione for such a charge and trust, and that notwithstanding thereof James M'Bryd, there present clerk, hes not only strictly adhered to these regulationes but also hes and doeth imploy the wholle of his tyme and labour in the exercise of the said office, and hes upon all occasiones given evidences of his care and concerne for the good of this burgh, and particularly in inventaring the wrytts and evidents of this burgh without any reward given him for so great and necessary work and service, and the saids magistrats and toun counsell being willing, in token of there satisfacione with the fittednes, qualificationes, diligence and carefulnes of the said James M'Bryd, and for requytting of his service, to perpetuate the said office upon him dureing all the dayes of his lyfetyne, therefore and for the causes abovewritten (which are more fully exprest in the gift and dispositione afterspecifeit) and other causes therein exprest, the saids magistrats and toun counsell did elect, make, nominat and choyse the said James M'Bryd to be clerk of this burgh during all the dayes of his lyfetyne, and for that effect gives, grants and dispones to the said James, during all the dayes of his lyfetyne, the office of clerkship of this city, to be brooked, exercised and enjoyed be him dureing all the dayes of his lyfetyne, with all fees, profites, deuties and casualities belonging thereto, used and wont, and whereof any of the former toun clerks were in possessione, conforme to the forsaid regulationes, as contained in ane act of the toun counsell of this burgh dated the seventeen day of Feberwary j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie four years, and in ane other act of counsell in favours of the said clerk dated the sixth day of Feberwary j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nyntie seven years; with full power to the said James M'Bryd, dureing all the dayes of his lyfetyne, to use and exercise the said office in counsell or elsewhere, in and be all things that to the office of clerkship of this

burgh is knoun to appertaine, and whereupon there being ane gift and dispositione draun up in the termes forsaidis and produced before them, the samen was this day subscriv'd be the saids magistrats and toun counsell and delivered up to the said James M'Bryd, as the same gift, containing warrandice att all hands, att more length proports.

Report of the  
committees  
meeting with  
George Lock-  
hart and  
others.

The provest reported that he and the remanent members of the committee appoynted to meet with George Lockhart and his adherents, in order to a conference with them, conforme to a former act dated the threttine day of this instant, did accordingly attend the said meeting, tyme and place appoynted be the said act, and that the said George Lockhart and John Grahame of Dougalstoun, William Walkingshaw, Daniell Campbell, John Corse, younger, William Woddrope, James Corbet, Andrew Kirkart, William Craufurd, James Bogle and James Muir his adherents, in all eleven in number, being all merchants, did meet there, and that the provest and others of the said committee declared to the said George Lockhart and these with him that, seeing he was tymelie advertised by bailie Yuill (who had warrand from the toun counsell for that effect) that he should bring all his adherents with him, whereby it might be knoun what number did desyre the alteratione of such articles of the sett of the burgh as were contained in ane paper given in to the provest, he ought to have brought them along with him, but seeing there were so few that adhered to him they could not nather found themselves warranted to choyse arbiters to determine in matters of such importance, but they were willing that some fitt gentlemen might be mutwally chosen to be present att a conference for hearing both parties, and that it was there opinion that my lords Justice Clerk and Hallcraig, tuo of the lords of session, who are knoun in the affair, and doe live near this burgh, and are tuo of these of the lords that give advyce for a conference, should be present to hear parties; but George Lockhart, and these with him, refused to allow of the lord Hallcraig but desyred that my lord Boyll with my lord Justice Clerk might be the tuo, whereupon the provest and others of the committee told they were of opinion that my lord Boyll was a very worthy nobleman, but he living att such distance and not being so knoun in the affair, was not so fitt to be chosen, however the committee were willing that my lord Justice



Clerk his alone might be chosen to the effect forsaid; and after this George Lockhart and his pairtie called in a nottar and took instruments, and so the meeting brook up. And farder reported that, upon the morrow thereafter, my lord Justice Clerk being in toun, and with the provest and some company with them, three of George Lockharts adherents came in to the room where they were sitting, to whom the provest, before my lord Justice Clerk and all the company there present, declared his willingness that his lordship might be pleased to hear both pairties, and after hearing might give his best advyce, with which his lordship was satisfied and trysted to be with them upon the day thereafter, being the twenty fourth instant, efter the faculty of the Colledge there receiveing of Mr. John Stirling to his place of principall to the said Colledge; and which being over, the provest did wait upon my lord Justice Clerk, and when his lordship had stood some tyme att the Cross the provest invited his lordship to go into the house appoynted, to which he answered that altho he had been in toun since nyne of the clock yet George Lockhart nor none of his adherents had spoken nor come to him, and the said George being att the tyme standing att the Cross in his view, and makeing no applicatione to him he judged they had no mynd for the tryst, and that therefore he wowlde goe home, and accordingly after about ane hours stay in the toun went home; and so the committee looked upon the conference to be att ane end. Which report above-written being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they approved thereof and of the committees manadgement therein exprest.

29 September 1701.

[Ordaigned the treasurer to pay (1) to Thomas Thomson, merchant, £266 12 s. Warrant, Scots "as the pryce of fourty-nyne ells of broad cloath furnist be him in August thesaurer. last to be cloaths to the twelve officers;" (2) to David Wotherspoon, merchant, £123 14 s. 2 d. "for blew sarge for lyning the officers cloaths and for stockings to them; and for silk freinges to the new kirk pulpit, and other furnishing."]

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren to [admit] Adam Nisbitt, Adam present clerk to the brewarie, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, and Nisbitt, burges and remitt his fynes in respect of his losses and sufferings in the late tymes. gildbrother.

The magistrats and toun counsell, taking to there consideratione that Barony kirk. the heretors of the Barrony paroch have been at great expensis in the Provan lands.

ordinatione of Mr. Robert Langlands, there late minister, and in defend-  
ing against his transportatione to the north, and in the transportatione  
of Mr. James Stirling, there present minister, off all which the toun hes  
as yet payed no pairt for the Provan lands, and that there is yet resting  
to Thomas Hamilton, maltman, late thesaurer, one hundereth pounds  
Scotts for the dinnar to the presbitry and others att the said Mr. James  
his settlement, and that the saids heretors have condescended to quytt  
bygoness and to allocat and appoynt seats for the Provan tennents in the  
Barronie Kirk, the toun paying for the said dinnar, therefore ordaines the  
said Thomas Hamilton to have allowance in his own hands of the said  
somme of one hundereth pounds for the said dinnar, he allwayes obtaining  
frae the said heretors and kirk sessione of the said paroch ane right to the  
saids seats for the use forsaid, according to agreement and communing  
thereanent, and thir presents not to be extracted untill the magistrats  
get satisfactioun anent the said qualificatione.

The keeping  
of the toun  
clocks and  
chimns.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that notwithstanding  
Robert Stevensone, glazier, hes established upon him ane yearly sellarie  
of tuo hundered and fifty merks for keeping and ordering the touns  
chimns and four clocks, and that dureing the counsellis pleasure allenerly,  
conforme to there former act dated the [1] day of [October, 1692] years,  
yet nevertheles in regaird that David Weir hes ane airt and engyne for  
keeping the chimns and clocks in a better caise then formerly they have  
been, and that the magistrats have settled and agreed with him that he  
should have ane yearly sellarie of ane hundered pounds Scotts for keeping  
the chimns and clock in the tolbuith steeple and clock in the Merchant  
House steeple, of which agreement the magistrats and counsell hereby  
approves and ordaines the present thesaurer and his successors in office  
to make yearly payment to him of the said one hundereth pounds of  
yearly sellarie, quarterly, commensing frae Lambmes last, and continous  
with the said Robert Stevensone the keeping of the other tuo clocks, and  
appoynts him to have one hundereth merks only for keeping thereof,  
yearly, commensing from the said term of Lambmes last, and ordaines  
the thesaurer and his successors to make payment thereof lykewayes to  
the said Robert; and rescinds any former act or acts in his favours for  
keeping of the saids clocks; and its hereby provyded allwayes that both

of them shall be att equall expenssis of the ringing of the bell of the Merchant House steeple; and appoynts this present act to continoue only in favours of both the saids persones dureing the counsellis pleasure allenerly.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell, takeing to there consideration that upon ane adress made to them be the generall sessione of this burgh, they, be there act dated the eighteen day of August last bypast, did declare that they were unanimously of the opinion that a new erection of a sixth minister was very needfull, and for the more clear and deliberate prosecutione thereof appoynted the magistrats and others of the counsell named be the said act as a committe from them, to joyne with the ministers and others appoynted or to have been appoynted be the generall sessione, to make ane just and equall division of this city in six quarters or pairts, to the effect the quarter and proportione to which the sixth minister is to be called may be constitut and cleared, as also appoynted that in this procedure lists of the haill examinable persones be made up, and that the said committee make report of there haill procedure to the counsell that thereafter they may proceed to a more mature consideration of and full determinatione in the haill matter abovewritten, as in the said act more fully is contained; as also that conforme to the said act the said committee and others forsaid have taken up lists of the haill examinable persones within the burgh and have divyded them with the bounds of the said burgh in which they live in six pairts or quarters and given in there report of the said division in wrytt, and that the said report and division is approven be the toun counsell, conforme to there act dated the threttine day of September instant, wherein the said divisione and the number of the examinable persons in each quarter are particularly exprest; and now the saids magistrats and toun counsell having resumed the consideration of the said address and division forsaid and maturely considered the samen, doe find it very needfull and expedient that the said erection be made effectuell, therefore they hereby erect the said sixth quarter or pairt of the said burgh (called the southwest quarter) in a new quarter or congregation and hereby enacts and obleidges themselves and successors in office for good and thankfull payment making to the minister to be settled and placed in the said new

Erection of  
a sixth con-  
gregation.

erected sixth quarter or pairt of this burgh, and his successors, of also much yearly stipend in all tyme coming as may be equall to the stipends of any of the ministers already placed within this burgh, which extends to ane thousand pounds of yearly stipend and eighty pounds as his house rent, yearly, and for that effect they doe hereby mortifie, destinate and appoynt the rents of the seats in the kirks and meeting house within this city to be applyed as followes, viz., the said yearly stipend to be payed out of the first and readiest thereof and the remainder of the same to be applyed for keeping of the kirks and seats in a good condition, with this provision allwayes that it shall be in the magistrats and toun counsell there power, att any tyme herefter, to sell also many of the saids seats as they shall think expedient, which shall be no wayes prejudicial to the said yearly stipend, the magistrats and toun counsell and there successors in office standing obleidged for payment thereof hereby, according to the particular obligatione abovewritten thereanent; and appoynts the magistrats and any others of the counsell whom they shall think fitt to take alongs with them to conferr with the ministers anent a minister to be called to the said quarter and make there report to the counsell.

30 *September* 1701.

Election of provost and bailies. [Hugh Montgomery, provost; John Aird, younger, and Thomas Peters, of the merchants' rank, and Thomas Hamilton, of the crafts' rank, bailies.]

3 *October* 1701.

Town councillors chosen. [The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

8 *October* 1701.

Dean of gild, etc. [Robert Yuill, dean of gild; Simon Tennent, deacon convener; James Coulter, treasurer; John Woddrope, bailie of Gorbals; Robert Alexander, water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; Robert Boyd, visitor of maltmen; John Reid, visitor of gardeners.]

The provest. Ordaines John Wallace, late thesaurer, to pay to Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, present provest, ane hundereth and fourteen punds, Scotts money, as the pryce of ane hogshhead of claret wyne furnished be him to the touns use, in Feberwary last, and which was given to ane of the touns freinds.

13 October 1701.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 3 drops ; rough tallow to be sold for 3 pounds Bread, tallow,  
4 s. Scots the stone, and candle 3 pounds 12 s. Scots the stone.] candle.

Elects and choyses John Syme, wrytter in Glasgow, to be procurator Procurator  
fiscall for the year ensueing. fiscall.

[There being payable to Jean Kirkpatrick, relict and executrix of Mr. Neill Act in favors  
Gillies, one of the ministers of the burgh, £1080 as year's stipend and house rent of Mrs.  
to Whitsunday last, with £540 for the ensuing half year "as the ann due to her," Gillies.  
making together £1620, she directed 1000 merks of that money to be paid to the  
"kirk thesaurer to the generall sessione of this burgh for the use of the poor, to  
the effect the said soume may be lent out upon security that the annualrent thereof  
may be applied for the use aforesaid."]

27 October 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell doe nominat and appoynt Hugh The provest  
Montgomery of Busbie, provest, to attend the generall conventione of the to attend the  
burrows, to meet att Edinburgh the twenty nyth day of October nixt, generall con-  
to sitt, reason, treat, vote and conclude upon what methods are necessar ventione.  
to be taken under the present decay of the trade of this natione, with the  
great and heavy impositiones lately laid on upon the native product of  
this nation by the French King, and haill other heads and articles con-  
tained in the missive directed to the burrows for keeping the said  
convention.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that the building of Anent seats  
the new church in that place where the Blackfreir Church was formerly of the new  
citate is now perfyted and finished, doe therefore hereby commissionat church.  
and appoynt Hugh Montgomery of Busbie, provest, [and others] as a  
committee to meet with John Aird [and others] (who are appoynted  
manadgers of the said building) and to call in from them there accompts  
of charge and discharge of expenssis of the said building and to state  
and clear the samen, as also to meet with the principall and masters of  
the Colledge for clearing with them that pairt of the expense of the said  
building for which they stand obleidged be contract betuixt the toun  
counsell and them, to the effect what pairt of the said expenssis remains  
unpayed may be payed in be the Colledge to the saids manadgers, and  
upon payment whereof to allocat and sett apairt to the Colledge there

pairt of the seats in the said church as is agreed to be the said contract, and in lyke manner that the said committee take to there consideratione the yearly worth of the remainder seats in the said new church and how to dispose thereof, ether by selling of the samen heretablie and iredimablie or by setting thereof upon the advancement of fyve or moe or fewer years rents, so as may be the most effectwall way for raising of money towards the defraying of the expenssis of the said building, and to settle and agree with persones anent the pryces of such seats as are to be sold and the rents of such as are to be sett in manner respective forsaid and to make there report to the counsell anent the saids matters.

King  
William.

The whilk day, the magistrats and toun counsell conveened have subscryved ane adress to his Majestie King William.

20 November 1701.

Act against  
profainess.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell, takeing to there serious consideratione how much gross immoralities and abominable vices doe prevaill and abound, as weell in this city as in other places, and to the great dishonour of God, the discredit of our religion, the ruine of souls and the drauing doun of divine wrath upon us, doe therefore earnestly recomend to the magistrats that as they are obleidged by the holy law of God and the laws of the land agreeable thereunto, so they would improve the authority they are cloathed with and the power put into there hands for suppressing (so far as they can) there crying abominations, and for that effect put the laws and acts of parliament against all such vitious offences to due executione against the contraveeners thereof within there bounds, of whatsoever quality they be, without respect of persones, and more particularly against all who curse, swear, or blaspheme the holy name or things of God, or who drink excessively, or who haunt tavernes or ale houses after ten of the clock att night, and all profainers of the Lords holy Sabbath, and against all who committ any other crymes prohibited be the acts of parliament against profainess, ane abbreviat whereof are contained in ane printed proclamation emitted be the lords of his Majesties privie counsell, in so far as the executione of the saids laws is competent to the saids magistrats; and sicklyke the saids magistrats and counsell doe hereby prohibite and discharge all

profanation of the Lords day by haunting of taverns or ale houses any tyme of that day (except for refreshment betwixt sermons); as also by unnecessary walking abroad and travelling the said day, by vaging or standing idle upon the streets, or in the church yeards or feilds, ether in tyme of publick worship or before or efter the same; as also by doeing any servile work by selling and buying ether in shopes or houses, by keeping of a milk mercat ether on the streets or in closses and by bearing of things from place to place unsuitable unto that holy day, under the pain of ten pounds Scotts to be exacted of each contraveener *toties quoties*, and in lyke manner prohibites and discharges all keepers of tavernes, ale houses or others within this burgh, to intertaine any persons drinking in there houses after ten of the clock att night on week dayes, and att no tyme on the Sabbath day (except for refreshment betwixt sermons), and that under the penalty of three pounds money forsaid *toties quoties*; and this but prejudice to the exacting of the penalties contained in the saids acts of parliament agains drunkenes and untimeous haunting of tavernes as said is; as also that they make not there houses ane haunt for leud and vile company keepers whatsoever, under the pain of ten pounds *toties quoties*; and sicklyke the saids magistrats and counsell doe strictly prohibite and discharge all abuseing of or doeing or offering of any violence or indignitie to ministers, elders, deacons, or any other persons who shall be searching in houses or otherwayes for discovery of the persons guilty of the saids vyces and crymes, with certificatione the persons so guilty in abuseing or so useing of the persons searching as said is they shall be brought to condigne punishment. Lykeas the saids magistrats and toun counsell ordaines the toun guards, in there goeing the round after ten of the clock att night and att other tymes thereafter in the night tyme, to observe if they find lights and company drinking in tavernes and ale houses and delate them, as also such persons as they find drunk on the streets to the magistrats the nixt day; and lykewayes discharges all landlords, heretors or others to sett houses, chambers, shopes or sellars to any who shall not have sufficient testimonialls, and that under the penalty of twelve pounds Scotts money. And ordaines thir presents to be publictly proclaimed att the mercat cross of this burgh, by touck of drum, upon Wedensday nixt, that non pretend

ignorance, and recommends to the magistrats to put the same to due executione.

Mr. James Clerk to be called to the southwest quarter.

The magistrats and toun counsell are unanimously of the opinion that a call should be drawn up to Mr. James Clerk, minister of the gospell at Dirlletoun, to be minister of the south west quarter of this burgh, and therefore recommends to the magistrats to desyre the moderator of the generall sessione that he would call a generall sessione for carrying on the said call with all expeditione.

New Kirk accompts cleared.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, Thomas Hamilton, baillie, . . . and some others of the committee appoynted be a former act, dated the twenty seventh day of October last, had mett with John Aird, younger [and others], manadgers of the building of the new church, and had stated and cleared the accompt of the said building, and had seen the same clearly instructed, and did find that the soume of the haille charges and expenssis of the said building contained in the charge extends to [£21,308 3 s. 8 d.], and that the soume of the discharge, which consists of money receaved be the manadgers, extends to [£15,365 7 s. 6 d.], so that there yet rests to the said manadgers of balance [£5,942 16 s. 2 d.] all Scotts money, and produced the particular accompt of charge and discharge extending as said is; which report and accompt of charge and discharge abovementioned being heard, read and considered in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof, and declares they are weell satisfied with the haille building, and finds that the saids manadgers have manadged the same with great diligence and accurate care and inspectione, and that the said ballance is yet resting to them, and ordaines the said accompt of charge and discharge to be insert and recorded in the counsell bookes, of which accompt the tenor followes:—

ANE ACCOMPT of the charge and expenssis of the new church as follows:—

Imprimis, to William Barclay, master of work, for stones and carting, conforme to three particular accompts,	L.	s.	d.
4120 : 15 : 10			
Item, to Robert Dickie, wright, and John Armour, for stones, conforme to two precepts upon George Hutcheson,	L.	s.	d.
197 : 6 : 6			



	L.	s.	d.
Item, to George Muir meason, and his men for meason work to the church and church yeard dykes, conforme to his receipts to baillie Corse, and what remains due to the workmen, conforme to accompt. ... ..	4774	13	6
Item, for lyme and sand conforme to receipts and precepts upon George Hutcheson, ... ..	970	1	4
Item, for great timber for the roof and lofts gott from baillie Peters, conforme to his accompt,...	2000	0	0
Item, from Mungo Cochrane, threttie six trees att 5 lib. per peice is, ... ..	180	0	0
Item, from George Nisbitt twenty two great trees att 8 lib. per peice is, ... ..	176	0	0
Item, from baillie Peters, George Nisbitt, William Craufurd, Robert Dickie and baillie Rodger 5560 daills att 54 lib. per hunder, ... ..	3000	0	0
Item, to Francis Stevensone for 164 knapple, conforme to his accompt, ... ..	203	0	0
Item, to Robert Dickie for 5 knapple, ... ..	15	0	0
Item, to him for firr planks, conforme to his accompt, ... ..	12	8	0
Item, for 36 oak planks from William Craufurd att half a crown per peice is, ... ..	54	0	0
Item, to baillie Craufurd for six oak trees att three pound per peice is, ... ..	18	0	0
Item, to baillie Paterson for firr planks, conforme to a precept, ... ..	26	0	0
Item, to Francis Stevenson for 12 firr planks, ... ..	12	0	0
Item, to Francis Stevenson for timber that hang the bell, ... ..	12	0	0
Item, to Francis Stevensone for wright work of the seats and roof, and for compleating the face of the lofts and for what is allowed to him for compleating of the wholle work, conforme to his accompt,...	1554	2	8
Item, for tuo years rent of a house for the workmen to keep there tools in, ... ..	24	0	0
Item, to workmen for casting the ground and lavelling the entry and for filling up the church-yeard and taking the redd out of the church floor that the stones might be gott out and for filling up the same again, and for carting the great timber, daills, and sklaitts, from the Broomilaw, and other works; and for drink to the measons, conforme to ane particular accompt and precepts payed be George Hutcheson and baillie Corse, is in all, ... ..	661	10	6

	L.	s.	d.
Item, for sawing dails, trees and knapple, conforme to precepts payed be George Hutcheson and ane particular accompt, ... ..	159	10	10
Item, for naills, conforme to ane particular accompt and precepts payed be George Hutcheson and baillie Corse, ... ..	396	2	8
Item, for three hundred stones of lead att tuo merks per stone, and 10s. more per stone for working thereof, conforme to receipts is, ... ..	550	0	0
Item, to James Stirling, merchand, for lead to fasten the batts of the doors, conforme to a particular accompt and precepts upon George Hutcheson, ... ..	27	16	6
Item, for sklaitts gott from the laird of Luss, being 33200 att 16 lib. per 1000, conforme to ane accompt and precepts is, ... ..	531	8	0
Item, to George Thomson for sklaitting, conforme to accompt and receipt, ... ..	240	0	0
Item, to George Nisbitt for glassing the wholle church, being 3200 foots, is, ... ..	500	0	0
Item, for 4000 of Milntoun sklaitts gott from bailie Yuill att 10 lib. per 1000 is, ... ..	40	0	0
Item, to Andrew Whyte for the wholle iron work except small naills, conforme to his accompts, ... ..	450	0	0
Item, for sharpening of meason irons to the whole work, ... ..	100	0	0
Item, to William Waddell for painting of the roof doors and entrys, ... ..	147	0	0
Item, to Robert Craufurd for plaistering and furnishing hair to the lyme, ... ..	40	0	0
Item, to Stephen Craufurd, hammerman, for ane gilded brass weather cock and for brass coddys to the bell, ... ..	51	0	0
Item, to John Fleeming for glue conforme to ane accompt, ... ..	19	10	0
Item, to John Barnes for tarr barrels to be lyme tubbs, ... ..	4	4	0
Item, to George Robertson for a tag to the tongue of the bell, ... ..	2	0	0
Item, to Frederick Hamilton for buffing the pulpit, ... ..	2	13	4
Item, to Archibald Gray, sklaitter, for pointing the church and helping the plumber to putt the lead on the roof, ... ..	9	0	0
Item, to Robert Reid, wright, for turning of 22 pillars for the lofts, ... ..	27	0	0
Summa of the charge, ... ..	21308	3	8

Folloues the discharge.				L.	s.	d.
Imprimis, by money receaved from George						
Hutcheson for seat rents, ... ..	6870	: 12	: 4			
Item, from John How for seat rents, ... ..	80	: 0	: 0			
Item, from baillie Hamilton as a pairt of the Barrony						
vacant stipend, ... ..	766	: 13	: 4			
Item, from umquhill John Gilchrist, ... ..	666	: 13	: 4			
Item, from umquhill John Craig. ... ..	666	: 13	: 4			
Item, from the Colledge in pairt, ... ..	1666	: 13	: 4			
Item, for threttie nyne toms and ane half, ...	1316	: 13	: 4			
Item, from the toun, whereof tuo thousand merks						
borrowed from Thomas Peter and a thousand						
merks from Mr. Robert Miller, minister att						
Port Glasgow, ... ..	2000	: 0	: 0			
Item, from John Penman upon the touns accompt,	120	: 0	: 0			
Item, from William Barclay for teind tuck deuty						
upon the touns accompt, ... ..	316	: 0	: 0			
Item, from baillie Yuill upon the touns accompt, ...	872	: 0	: 0			
Item, for old stones receaved from Walter Aitcheson,	4	: 0	: 0			
Item, for ane old iron grate att the High Kirk, ...	19	: 8	: 6			
Summa of the discharge, ... ..	15365	: 7	: 6			
Balance, ... ..	5942	: 16	: 2			
	21308	: 3	: 8			

21 November 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell, taking to there consideratione <sup>The state of</sup> that some of the inhabitants doe complaine of being stented for the touns <sup>the toun to be</sup> proportione of the burrow missive dues, judging that the common good <sup>laid before the</sup> of this burgh is in such a caise as that the same may bear the paying <sup>tuo houses.</sup> of the burrow missive dues out thereof, upon which account and upon other reasones the magistrats and toun counsell, judging it fitt and expedient that the touns conditione should be made more knoun, that thereby more satisfacione may be given in that matter, have therefore thought fitt to draw up ane account by way of charge and discharge, the charge containing the haill yearly annualrents of principall soumes, ministers stipends, sellaries, pensiones and other duties and yearly charges, and the discharge containing the haill common good and what yearly is payable to the toun, extending the said charge to [£24,289 0 s. 4 d.] and the said discharge to [£21,175 13 s. 4 d.], so that the toun is super-

expended, yearly, in the soume of [£3,113 7 s.], all Scotts money, by and attour the great expense of supporting the government, attending parliaments and conventiones of borroues, and the expenssis of law processes, and in many other caises; and which accompt of charge and discharge being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they appoynted and hereby appoynts that the dean of gild and deacon conveyener conveyene their respective houses tomorrow, at ten of the clock forenoon, and produce before each house a double of the said accompt of charge and discharge, that thereby the state and caise of the toun may be knoun and all grounds of mistakes thereanent may be removed; and appoynts the said accompt to be insert and booked in the saids tuo houses there bookes for that effect, and in respect the yearly annualrents of the haill principall soumes resting be the toun are all stated in ane generall article in the said accompt, therefore there is a particular list of the haill principall soumes resting be the toun draun apairt, doubles whereof are in the hands of the provest, dean of gild and deacon conveyener, that inspection thereof may be given be them to any that desyres the samen; and ordaines the said accompt of charge and discharge to be insert and recorded in the toun counsell bookes, whereof the tenor followes:—

	REVENUE of the toun of Glasgow.			Debitors.		
	L.	s.	d.			
To the Colledge of Glasgow for yearly feu deutie for the Gorballs, 16 bolls bear and 2 bolls meall, 7s. 6d. of viccarage, for the troan 100 merks, and for the tolbuith and meall mercat 4 lib. 6 s. 8 d. <i>inde</i> , ... ..	200	0	0			
To Duncan Campbell, cutter of the stone gravell, his yearly pensione, ... ..	66	13	4			
To fyve toun ministers there yearly stipends, ... ..	5400	0	0			
To Barrony minister his yearly stipend, ... ..	950	0	0			
To minister of Portglasgow the touns half of the stipend, ... ..	333	6	8			
To master and 3 doctors of the Grammar Schooll there yearly sellarie, ... ..	693	6	8			
To the keepers of the toun clocks yearly, ... ..	166	13	4			
To tack dutie of the Barrony tyths yearly, ... ..	200	0	0			
To precenters of the churches yearly sellarie, ... ..	186	13	4			
To keeper of the High Church yearly and glass to it, ... ..	133	6	8			

	L.	s.	d.
To few deutes payed Nicolas Hospitall and others yearly, ... ..	66	13	4
To touns quarter masters yearly pensione, ... ..	120	0	0
To coall and candle to the toun guards yearly, ... ..	800	0	0
To toun and Provans yearly æquies, ... ..	152	0	0
To coall and candle to the counsell house yearly, ... ..	26	13	4
To macers of counsell and sessione yearly, ... ..	24	0	0
To touns agents yearly pensione, ... ..	100	0	0
To gazettes and neus letters yearly, ... ..	72	0	0
To tounes officers there cloaths yearly, ... ..	360	0	0
To magistrats and other officers there yearly fialls, ... ..	165	0	0
To touns drummers there yearly pensione, ... ..	26	13	4
To a schoolmistris pensione for teaching young gentlewomen, ... ..	133	6	8
To keeper of the tounes bookes yearly, ... ..	240	0	0
To Sir John Shaw for tack dutie of the fisharie closs yearly, ... ..	66	13	4
To the master of works compts yearly, for reparatione of calsies, bridges, dycks and other publict works, and charity to the poor, ... ..	4000	0	0
To mantinance of the High and other churches, ... ..	333	6	8
To flowers yearly to the counsell house and seats in the churches, ... ..	12	0	0
To the annual rent of 158,584 lib., whereof 9000 borrowed for the African Company att 5½ per cent. is yearly, ... ..	8722	0	0
To touns wells keeping them in repair in all things needful, as per agreement and contract with Andrew Whyte yearly, ... ..	333	6	8
To Provan cess and timber for reparatione of the Provan houses yearly, ... ..	120	0	0
To rent of the meeting house in the Wynd, ... ..	32	0	0
To schoolmaster of Port Glasgow his yearly sellarie, ... ..	33	6	8
To coall and candle to the sessione house yearly, ... ..	20	0	0
	24289	0	4

## CONTRA CREDITOR :—

By tounes milnes yearly, ... ..	4666	13	4
By tounes ladles, ... ..	3666	13	4
By meall mercat and pecks, ... ..	866	13	4
By troan and weigh house, ... ..	713	6	8
By bridge, ... ..	1133	6	8
By Broomilaw and cran dues, ... ..	253	6	8

EXTRACTS FROM THE RECORDS

[1701.

	L.	s.	d.
... touns aikers, ... ..	933	6	8
... part of Gorbail lands and teythys,	687	13	4
... rent yearly, ... ..	53	6	8
... rent, ... ..	66	13	4
... milne, ... ..	66	13	4
... van yearly rent. ... ..	3600	0	0
... duties yearly, ... ..	300	0	0
... yearly, ... ..	200	0	0
... land rent, ... ..	266	13	4
... lands yearly rent, ... ..	137	6	8
... rent, ... ..	1080	0	0
... yearly rent, ... ..	120	0	0
... mercat yearly rent, ... ..	200	0	0
... land mercatt yearly rent, ... ..	66	13	4
... shops in Saltmercat yearly rent, ... ..	34	0	0
... election house yeards yearly rent, ... ..	50	0	0
... Glasgow lands and fisharie closs, ... ..	2480	0	0
... lages and gildbrother fynes, ... ..	133	6	8

21175 : 13 : 4<sup>1</sup>

... balance of this accompt that the revenue does  
~~come~~ short of its yearly charge 3113 7 s., and  
~~some~~ years may be more, and that over and  
above the support and mantinance of the  
government which cannot be compted less  
then 4000 lib. more, the ballance is I say, ...

3113 : 7 : 0

24289 : 0 : 4

... is remembered that the seats in the churches is  
not here reckoned, because the toun hath gott  
nothing of them these fyve years past but  
what hath been appropriat for building of the  
Blackfreir Church, and they are now mortified  
for paying a sixth minister.

25 November 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscryved a call to Mr. James  
... minister of the gospell att Dirltounne, to be minister to the south-  
west quarter of this burgh.

2 December 1701.

Approve of George Hutcheson, collector of the seat rents, his paying  
... to the manadgers of the building of the new church [£6,870 12 s. 4 d.]

... As the correct summation is £21,775 13s. 4d., the Revenue 4d. is overstated in the summa-  
tion (p. 343).  
... there is some mistake in the MS. Record.

Scotts money, which soume is imployed be them for carrying on the said building.

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren to admitt John Wyllie, bonnet-<sup>Wyllie,</sup> maker, burges and gild brother of this burgh, and remitts his fynes, <sup>burges and</sup> this <sup>gild brother.</sup> being done for helping to preserve the said trade now near worn out.

29 December 1701.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that it is needfull that a collector be appoynted for receaveing the severall pryces of the seats <sup>Baillie Peters to uplift the seat pryces, etc.</sup> in the new kirk, that are to be sold for defraying *pro tanto* of the expenssis of the building of the said new kirk before any right be granted to the purchasers thereof, as also that there is yet resting be the Colledge [£1,413] as the ballance yet resting be them of there pairt of the expenssis of the said building, to which they stand obleidged be contract betuixt the toun counsell and them, therefore the magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby commissionat and appoynt Thomas Peters, baillie, ane of the manadgers of the said building, to receave frae the haill purchasers of the saids seats the respective pryces thereof according as there names shall be given in by lists frae the committee appoynted to sett pryces upon the seats, from tyme to tyme; as also to uplift and receave frae the said colledge the said ballance resting be them, to the effect the saids soumes when uplifted may be applyed be him towards the payment *pro tanto* of [£5,942 16 s. 2 d.], Scotts money, as the ballance of the accompt of the expenssis of the said building resting to the said Thomas and to the other manadgers, as is specified in ane act dated the twenty day of November last, and the said Thomas is to be comptable for his intromissions.

The magistrats and toun counsell doe nominat and appoynt John Dowhill to Anderson of Dowhill, late provest of this burgh, to attend the generall <sup>attend the generall</sup> conventione of the royall burrows, to meett at Edinburgh, the eight day <sup>convention.</sup> of January nixt, for considering what methods are necessary to be taken anent adressing his Majestie concerning the great decay of trade and the frequent complaints exhibited by the States of Zeland and toun of Camphire against the transgressors of the staple port, and for deliberating upon all other things that hes happened since the last generall con-

vention, in July, wherein the royall burrows may be concerned, or which shall interveen before the sitting of the generall meeting now called. . . . And appoynts Robert Rodger, late baillie of this burgh, to be assessor to him and to supplie his rounge and place in his absence.

2 January 1702.

The Colledge  
have payed  
their pairt the  
expenses of  
the new  
church.

Seats allocat  
for the Col-  
ledge.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, the provest [and others] reported that they and Robert Rodgers and some others of the committee appoynted be ane act, dated the twenty seventh day of October last, had mett with the principall and regents of the colledge of this burgh and had cleared with them anent what pairt of the expense of the building of the new church (for which they stand obleidged be contract betuixt the toun counsell and them) remained unpaid, and found that their pairt of the said haill expense extended in all to [£3,079 13 s. 4 d.], Scotts money, and that formerly they had made payment to the manadgers of the said building of [£1,666 13 s. 4 d.] in pairt of payment thereof, so that there remained resting be them [£1,413] of ballance, which ballance they have also payed in to Thomas Peters, baillie, ane of the manadgers of the said building, as having commission frae the toun counsell to that effect, conforme to their act dated the twenty nynth day December last; as also that it was agreed to betuixt the said committee and principall and regents that the wholle south loft of the said kirk, from the entry to the magistrats and counsell seat, upon the north east pairt of the said south loft, together with the narrow west loft all alongs from the said south loft and by the back of the pulpit to the north loft, as the same is bounded in with a timber ravell, made squair with the foir front of the north loft, should appertaine and belong to the said Colledge as seats for accommodating the principall and regents and haill students of philosophie; and lykewayes that the tuo seats (att the back of the magistrats and toun counsell their tuo seats in the east loft) should appertaine to and be for the use of the students of theologie. Which report abovewrittin being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof and lykewayes they, being willing to putt all due respect upon the principall professor and regents of the said Colledge, and their successors in office,



and to give evidence thereof in granting to them the convenience and accomodatione afterspecifeit, and that by and attour what be the forsaid contract is obleidged to, therefore they hereby also allocat and appoynt seven laigh seats in the said kirk (as they are now builded) and upon the south pairt of the body thereof to be for the use of the principall professor of divinity and four regents their families (tuo of which seats being for the principalls family) in all tyme coming, and which seven laigh seats doe ly as followes, viz., four of them contigue in the head of the trans or entry from the south door and upon the east syde their, and three thereof also contigue upon the west syde of the head of the said entry; and which hailt lofts and seats respective abovewritten the saids magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby ordaine and appoynt to appertaine and belong to the said Colledge, for the uses and ends respective abovewritten, in all tyme coming; as also exoners and discharges the colledge of the said soume of [£3,079 13s. 4d.] as their just and full pairt of the hailt expenssis of the said building and for which the Colledge became obleidged to conforme to the said contract.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, the provest [and others] reported that they, with Robert Rodgers and some others of the committee appoynted by ane act dated the twenty seventh day of October last, had mett and conveened in the new church lately builded where the Blackfreir Church was formerly situat, and, conforme to the said act, had taken consideratione of the worth and pryce of the hailt seats in the said kirk that are to be sold for raising money for defraying *pro tanto* the expense of the said building, and that they had draun up in wrytt ane list of the said seats, wherein they had insert each seat by its number with what they judged to be the pryce for ane heretable right thereof, and that many of the said seats were spoken for be the inhabitants in order to their buying of the samen; which report abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they approved and hereby approves thereof; and in respect that the conveening of the toun counsell so frequently as need will requyre for disposing of the said seats to be sold as said is wOULD be inconvenient, therefore the saids magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby give full power and commission to Robert Yuill, dean of gild, and his brethren of counsell to sell and

Seats in the  
new church  
to be sold.

dispone the haill seats of the said kirk that are to be disposed of as said is (according as they now stand builded) to the inhabitants according as their names shall be given up by lists frae the said committee for tyme to tyme, and to their airs and assigneys, heretably and irredimable, and to ordaine and appoynt the same to appertaine and belong to them as said is in all tyme coming, and that by ane act of the dean of gilds court, which act to be granted in favours of each buyer is to containe this provision that it shall not be leisum to them to make any alterationes or changes whatsoever upon the seats without special licence and allowance of the dean of gild for the tyme being, had and obtained thereto, and the alterationes (if allowed) being allwayes wrowght be the touns wright for the tyme being, and which rights or acts are not to be made or granted untill Thomas Peters, baillie, ane of the manadgers of the said building, and who is appoynted for receaveing of the respective pryces, conforme to ane act dated the twenty nyth day of December last, doe notifie and make knoun to the dean of gild and brethren his receaveing of the respective pryces; and lykewayes the saids magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby inact and oblidge themselves and there successors in office to warrand, acquitt and defend all such acts or rights, to be made and granted in manner forsaid be the dean of gild and brethren, to be good, valide and sufficient rights to these in whose favours they shall be made, and to their airs and assigneys in all tyme hereafter, att all hands.

28 January 1702.

Some outin-  
toun bur-  
gesses to be  
stented.

The magistrats reported that the present stent masters desyred liberty for stenting the persons afternamed, viz., Thomas Caulder in Shirva, Androw and John Gallowayes in Auchinloch, James Steivensone in Robrysson, James Glasfoord, baillie of Pasley, John Kirkland in Breckenknow of Provane, Richard Kirkland there, John Bogle and William Broun in Sandiehillis, and John Gray, maltman in Dalmarnock, all burges of this burgh, and who trades and hes effects frequently therein. Which being considered be the magistrats and toun counsell they allowed and hereby allowes and appoynts the present stent masters to stent the foirnamed persones in some moderat proportiones of the stent which the saids stent masters are now laying on.

Ordaines James Coulters, thesaurer, to pay to David Weir, clock-maker, [£137 4 s.], Scotts money, restand be the toun to him, whereof there is [£66 13 s. 4 d.] for taking down the tolbuith clock, putting her throw the fyre, cleansing and dighting of her and making her a pendulum, with a minut hand, being fourtie eight dayes about that work; and threttie eight pounds given to David Donald for furnishing twelve stone and twelve pound of iron and forging the same for wheels to the said clock, at 3 lib. per stone; and [£22 16 s. 8 d.] given to a workman that helped to cutt and fyle the wheells and sett up the clock again, being threttie fyve dayes and eight nights work; and the remainder for lead.

13 February 1702.

Ordaines John Wallace, late thesaurer, to pay to George Sutherland, keeper of the royall coffee house in Edinburgh, [£7 13 s. 4 d.], sterling money, resting be the toun to him, whereof there is [£6 13 s. 4 d.] for printed news furnished be him, frae the tenth of August j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> years to the tenth of December last, and twenty shillings for the votes of the last session of the English parliament.

18 April 1702.

Ordaines James Coulters, thesaurer, to pay to Henry Smith, merchant, the soume of one hundred fourtie four pounds, Scotts money, as the pryce of tuo peices of black baize, each containing threttie eight elne, furnished be him for covering the Kings seat in the Inner Hie Church, the counsellis haille seats, the pulpits and precenters boxes, in mourning for King Williams death in March last,<sup>1</sup> conforme to ane particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, Thomas Peters, baillie, one of the manadgers of the building of the new church, and who was impowred by a former act, dated the twenty nynth day of December last, for receaveing frae the purchasers of seats in the said new church the pryces thereof and for uplifting from the colledge there ballance specifeit in the said act, to the effect the said soumes might be applyed be him towards the payment *pro tanto* of [£5,942 16 s. 2 d.], Scotts money, as

<sup>1</sup> 8th March, 1702.

the ballance of the accompt of the expenssis of the said building, resting to the said Thomas and the other manadgers, as the said act more fully bears, gave in ane accompt and list of the haill soumes of money receaved be him frae the purchasers of the respective seats in the said new church and names of these who have purchased the samen, extending the haill soumes therein specifeit to [£5,802 13 s. 4 d.]; as also gave in ane accompt of charge and discharge of his saids intromissions with the pryces forsaid of the saids seats and the colledges ballance forsaid and pryces of some tombs and what else is therein expressed, extending the charge thereof to [£7,419] and the discharge thereof to [£6,046 2 s. 10 d.], so that charge and discharge being compared there rests be the said Thomas Peters of ballance [£1,372 17 s. 2 d.], for payment of which the said Thomas Peters produced in counsell ane band dated the last of March j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>th</sup> and one years, granted be the toun counsell to him specifeit in the said discharge, for tuo thousand merks of principall borrowed for helping to carry on the said building, for which band the manadgers gave the toun credit, conforme to ane accompt recorded in the counsell book the twenty day of November last, which band was cancelled in counsell and the said tuo thousand merks being deduced off the said ballance there yet rests be the said Thomas [£39 10 s. 6 d.]; and which accompt forsaid of charge and discharge, with the other compt forsaid being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell they approved and hereby approves thereof and exoners and discharges the said Thomas Peters of his intromissions and manadgment contained therein, for now and ever, the said Thomas allwayes paying in to James Coulters, thesaurer, the forsaid ballance of [£39 10 s. 6 d.], for which the thesaurer is to be comptable; and ordaines the saids tuo severall accompts to be recorded whereof the tenors follow:—

FOLLOWES the tenor of the said accompt of the soumes receaved frae the  
purchasers of the seats :

Accompt of the seats on the floor of the New Church  
as they were valued by the committee appoynted  
be the counsell and now payed for by the per-  
sons underwritten:—

		L.	s.	d.
1	Doctor James Baird, ... ..	56	13	4
9	Thomas Pollock, tayleur, ... ..	56	13	4

		L.	s.	d.
17	William Craufurd, younger, merchant,	56	13	4
25	Hugh Campbell, skipper, ...	56	13	4
33	William Douglass, merchant, ...	56	13	4
41	William M'Laine, merchant, ...	56	13	4
32	William Struthers, merchant, ...	56	13	4
40	Jonah Cole, ...	56	13	4
48	James Knox, merchant, ...	56	13	4
10	James Blair, merchant, ...	60	0	0
18	Bessie Bogle, widow, ...	60	0	0
26	Robert Alexander, merchant, ...	60	0	0
34	Thomas Baxter, tayleur, ...	60	0	0
42	John Glen, merchant, ...	60	0	0
2	James Muir, younger, merchant, ...	60	0	0
12	Findlay Gray, merchant, ...	60	0	0
20	Patrick M'Vey, merchant, ...	60	0	0
28 & 36	John Spreull of Milnetoun, ...	120	0	0
44	Mr. Henry Marshall, surgeon, ...	60	0	0
5	Henry Smith, merchant, ...	60	0	0
13	John King, maltman, ...	60	0	0
21	James Muir, elder, merchant, ...	60	0	0
29 & 37	Michaell Leckie, merchant, ...	120	0	0
45	James Govane, merchant, ...	60	0	0
31	John Govane of Hogginfeild, ...	60	0	0
39 & 47	John Bowman, merchant, ...	120	0	0
49	John Buchanan, merchant, ...	40	0	0
50	William Thomson, tayleur, ...	40	0	0
63 & 64	John Corse, elder, merchant, ...	13	6	8
52	Claud Henderson, merchant, ...	100	0	0
53	Doctor Kennedy, ...	75	0	0
55	Thomas Craufurd of Craufurdsburn, ...	90	0	0
56	Robert Yuill, merchant, ...	85	0	0
57	Robert Rodger, merchant, ...	85	0	0
58	John Grahame of Dougalstoun, ...	90	0	0
60	James Peadie, late provest, ...	75	0	0
61	Matthew and Daniel Campbells, merchants, ...	100	0	0
62	James Coulter, merchant, ...	90	0	0
68	Alexander Carlyll, merchant, ...	63	6	8
74	John Peadie, merchant, ...	63	6	8
54	James Sloas, merchant, ...	30	0	0
59	James Johnstoun, merchant, ...	30	0	0
65	Quintine Reid, wrytter, ...	40	0	0
66	James Aird, merchant, ...	42	0	0
67	George Nisbitt, glazier, ...	46	0	0

		L.	s.	d.
69	Ard. Campbell, younger, merchant, and Margaret Bell, ...	44	0	0
70	Halbert Neilson, merchant, ...	40	0	0
71 & 83	William Wallace, merchant, ...	80	0	0
72	Eduard Robieson, merchant, ...	42	0	0
73	John Robieson, merchant, ...	44	0	0
75	Robert Dickie, wright, ...	46	0	0
76	John Currie, merchant, ...	42	0	0
77	Francis Stevenson, wright, ...	40	0	0
78	Mr. Walter Aitcheson, ...	26	13	4
79	Alexander Brounlee, merchant, ...	33	6	8
80	Henry Chrystie, merchant, ...	30	0	0
81	John Simpson, armourer, ...	42	0	0
82	William Robieson, merchant, ...	40	0	0
84	Thomas Thomsone, merchant, ...	40	0	0
85	John Rae, merchant, ...	42	0	0
86	John Luke <i>alias</i> Bristo, ...	30	0	0
87	Thomas Hamilton, chirurgion, ...	33	6	8
88, 99, & 108	Robert Dinnwoodie, merchant, ...	66	13	4
89	James Muirhead, baxter, ...	26	13	4
90	John Anderson, younger, merchant,	33	6	8
91	William Buchanan, merchant, ...	30	0	0
92	James Stewart, vintner, ...	30	0	0
93	Matthew Gilmor, hammerman, ...	40	0	0
94	William Clerk, merchant, ...	36	0	0
95	James Smith, merchant, ...	40	0	0
96	James Robb, merchant, ...	40	0	0
98	James Luke, goldsmith, ...	33	6	8
101	Robert Broun, merchant, ...	33	6	8
102	William Chivies, merchant, ...	30	0	0
103	Stephen Craufurd, coppersmith, ...	40	0	0
104	James Hunter, merchant, ...	36	0	0
105	The Lady Tennochsye, ...	30	0	0
100	Robert Dounie, merchant, ...	26	13	4
107	James Luke, goldsmith, ...	33	6	8
109	John Craig, wright, ...	30	0	0
110	Samuel Carruth, meason, ...	24	0	0
111	Archbald Anderson, merchant, ...	24	0	0
112	James Inglis, merchant, ...	24	0	0
43	Andrew Leitch, merchant, ...	66	13	4
27	William Blackburne, merchant, ...	66	13	4
19	Robert Bogle, merchant, ...	66	13	4
11	James Lees, merchant, ...	66	13	4
38	James M'Bryd, toune clerk, ...	66	13	4
46	William Marshall, merchant, ...	66	13	4

Seats on the lofts payed for, viz. :—				L.	s.	d.
1	John Luke of Claythorne, ...	...	...	100	0	0
2	Robert Baillie, ...	...	...	100	0	0
4	Provest Montgomery, ...	...	...	100	0	0
6	Archbald Campbell, elder, merchant,	...	...	60	0	0
7 & 12	William Smith, merchant, ...	...	...	108	0	0
8	Thomas Clerk, merchant, ...	...	...	48	0	0
9	Baillie Hamilton, ...	...	...	66	13	4
10	William Carmichael, tayleur, ...	...	...	66	13	4
12	Charles Miller, merchant, ...	...	...	48	0	0
14	John Wallace, tayleur, ...	...	...	54	0	0
16	Thomas Finlay, baxter, ...	...	...	36	0	0
18	William Gilchrist, merchant, ...	...	...	40	0	0
19	John Bowie, merchant, ...	...	...	40	0	0
20	The Lady Northbarr, ...	...	...	33	6	8
21	John Campbell, merchant, ...	...	...	33	6	8
22	John Robieson, bookbinder, ...	...	...	33	6	8
25	William Peacock, shoemaker, ...	...	...	33	6	8
26	Jannet Maxwell, widow, ...	...	...	13	6	8
27	William Bryson, weaver, ...	...	...	30	0	0
41	Robert and Alexander Reids, ...	...	...	48	0	0
Summa, ...				5802	13	4

Followes the said accompt of charge and discharge.

## DEBITOR.

Imprimis, receaved in for seats in the new church which is fewed to the inhabitants, conforme to ane particular accompt which is recorded in the dean of gilds court book, and every mans soume contained in his right therein, which is in all,	5802 : 13 : 4
Item, receaved from the colledge the ballance which they were indue for there pairt of the said building, which is ... ..	1413 : 0 : 0
Item, to fyve tombs at 50 merks per peice, which is recorded <i>ut supra</i> with 39 and ane half tombs which were sold att the said pryce which the toun has credit for in the forsaid accompt and recorded in the counsell book the twenty day of November j <sup>m</sup> vij <sup>e</sup> and one, the haill tombs being 44 and ane half that money is receaved for, and there is only fyve that is to be compted for now, the said fyve being at the forsaid pryce, which is ... ..	166 : 13 : 4

	L.	s.	d.
Item, by ane years interest payed to John Craig of ane thousand merks which was gott frae the laird of Steivenston, being due of bygane annualrent preceeding Whitsunday 1701, be- fore wee got the money, and which interest was receaved with the forsaid soume and payed it as said is, ... ..	36	13	4
	7419	0	0
	6046	2	10
Item, the ballance in baillie Peters hands, ... ..	1372	17	2

## CONTRA CREDITOR :—

Imprimis, to the ballance of ane accompt, conforme to ane act of counsell dated the twenty day of November j <sup>m</sup> vij <sup>e</sup> and one, ... ..	5942	16	2
Item, to ane years interest to umquhill John Craig for ane thousand merks left be him to help to build the church, the interest to be payed to himself and wyffe and longest liver of them two, which years interest is from Whitsunday 1700 to Whitsunday 1701, ... ..	36	13	4
Item, to ane years interest of two thousand merks borrowed be the toun att Candlemes 1701 from baillie Peters for helping to build the new church, for which band the saids manadgers have given the toun credit of the bond which will appear by there accompt recorded in the counsell book the date forsaid, ... ..	66	13	4
	6046	2	10

26 May 1702.

Magistrats  
and counsell  
swear the  
oath of  
alleadgeance.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell convened, the persons follow-  
ing, vizt., Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, provest [and other members of  
the toun council], and James M'Bryd, toun clerk, did all, in obedience  
and conforme to ane act of her Majesties privie counsell, dated the twenty  
fourth day of March last bypast, swear the oath of alleadgeance and sub-  
scribe the same with there hands, whereby they and ilk ane of them did  
sincerely promise and swear that they would be faithfull and bear true  
alleadgeance to her Majestie Queen Ann; as also the haill forenamed



persons did, conforme to the said act, subscribe the assurance whereby they did, in the sincerity of there hearts, assert, acknowledge and declare that her Majestie Queen Ann is the only lawfull and undoubted Sovereigne of this realme, as well *de jure* that is of richt Queen as *de facto* that is in the possessione and exercise of the government, and therefore they did sincerely and faithfully promise and engadge that they wouuld, with heart and hands, lyfe and goods, maintain and defend her Majesties title and government against the late King James, his adherents and all other enemies who, either by open or secret attempts, shall disturb or disquiet her Majestie in the possessione and exercise thereof; which oath of alleadgance as also the said assurance are separately subscribed as followes:—[Here follow names].

Appoynts and ordaines that new mercat place lately builded att the north end of the troan house, in the new street, to be made use of for a fish mercat in tyme coming, and appoynts and impowers the provest, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveyener, to think upon and draw up methods and rules for the keeping and ordering of the said fish mercat, and the duties to be payable thereto, and to inquire for a fitt person to whom the same may be sett for ane year to come.

2 June 1702.

[Mills, 6,850 merks; ladles, 4,450 merks; meal market and pecks, 1,280 merks; tron, 920 merks; bridge, 1,810 merks; Broomielaw and crane, 510 merks.]

15 June 1702.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, having be there former act, dated the twenty six of May last, appoynted that new mercat place lately builded att the north end of the troan house to be made use of for ane fish mercat in tyme coming, they now hereby appoynt William Berrie, merchant, to be keeper and manadger of the said fish mercat, frae the twenty second day of June instant to the first Tuesday of June nixt, and him for his pains to have the equall half of all duties to be payable furth of the said mercat during the said space, he allwayes being lyable for compt, reckoning and payment to the toun thesaurer for the touns behoove, of the other equall half of the saids duties, and appoynts him

to uplift the haill duties during the said space, and appoynts the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener to draw up a list, as they think expedient, of what duties are to be payable out of the said mercat, and to give orders for what methods and rules they think expedient for the better keeping of the said mercat, as also to make what alterationes they think expedient as to the saids duties and rules during the said space, and appoynts the magistrats to keep the fishes from being sold upon the streets as formerly, efter the said twenty tuo instant, and to use what methods and means and make such publications as they think expedient thereanent, and to fyne and otherwayes punish the dissobeyers.

29 June 1702.

Mr. James Clerk, burges and gild-brother.

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren to admitt Mr. James Clerk, late minister of the gospell att Dirltoun, now ane of the ministers of this burgh, burges and gild brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed, for good service done and to be done be him to this burgh.

8 August 1702.

Warrant for wyne, Queen Ann.

Ordaines James Coulter, thesaurer, to pay to Thomas Peters, baillie, the soume of one hundered and twenty eight pounds, as the pryce of wyne furnished be him out of the Coffee House, for the tounes use, in Janwary last, and which was spent the tyme of the proclaiming of her Majestie Queen Ann, and att severall other occasions spent be the magistrats upon entertainements to the touns freinds, conforme to ane particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

Campbell, Stirlings, and Wodrow, burges and gildbrethren.

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren to admitt Colin Campbell of Woodsyde, Mr. John Stirling, principall of the colledge, Mr. James Stirling, minister of the Barrony paroch, and Mr. Alexander Wodrow, ane of the ministers of this burgh, burgesses and gildbrethren of this burgh, and remitt their fynes and hold them as payed for good service done and to be done be them to this burgh.

Warrant, Sir John Shaws buriall.

Ordaines James Coulter, thesaurer, to pay to Thomas Sheills in Port-glasgow [£72 18 s. 4 d.], spent att his house be the provest, baillies and dean of gild, with diverse others of the inhabitants attending them. when att Sir John Shaws burial in May last.

18 August 1702.

The magistrats and toun counsell, being informed that the troach <sup>Warrant,</sup> of the burne under the Gallowgate bridge, and a litle above and below the <sup>burne at</sup> samen, is so filled up with stones and redd, and that thereby the passage <sup>Gallowgate</sup> of the water beneath the bridge is so taken up that the bridge might be in danger in caise of a spate of water, doe therefore hereby appoynt the dean of gild to cause redd and cleanse the burne in the pairt thereof forsaidd for preventing the danger abovewritten and to agree with some fitt persone for doeing thereof.

James M'Bryd, toun clerk, having represented that he was called by <sup>John</sup> his lawfull and necessary affairs to be absent furth of this burgh for the <sup>M'Gilchrist,</sup> space of ten or fourteen dayes after the date hereof, therefore the magistrates and toun counsell doe hereby allow and impower the said clerk to constitut and appoynt John M'Gilchrist, wrytter, his deput for excercising of the office of tounclerkship during the said space.

12 September 1702.

Ordaines James Coulter, thesaurer, to pay to Margaret Temple, relict <sup>Warrant for</sup> of umquhill James Davidstone, hammerman, burges of this burgh, the <sup>Margaret</sup> soume of six pounds Scots money for helping her to pay the expense of a cure performed upon her daughter whose scull was broken, the said Margaret being ane poor womand.

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren to admitt Mr. John Bell, <sup>Mr. John</sup> minister of the gospell att Gladsmire, burges and gildbrother of this <sup>Bell, burges</sup> burgh, be the right of John Bell, younger, merchant, burges and gild-<sup>and gild-</sup> brother thereof, and to remitt his fynes and hold them as payed for good service done and to be done be him to this burgh.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscryved ane fewright and <sup>Fewright</sup> disposition in favours of Patrick Bell of Cowcaddans, his airs and <sup>subscrivit to</sup> assigneys, heretable and irredimable, of that aker of ground or thereby of the common of this burgh, lying upon the northeast syde of the highway leading from the litle bridge upon St. Ennochs burne to the said Patrick Bell his house of Cowcaddans, as the same is now closed in upon the southmost pairt thereof with a stone dyck, and which ground is bounded as followes, viz., St. Ennochs burne upon the southeast, the

said highway upon the southwest, the houses and lands of Cowcaddans upon the north and east pairts; to be holden of the toune for the yearly payment of twelve pennys Scotts of fewdeuty . . . which right containes absolute warrandice and ane obligatione that the said peice of ground shall have exemptione from all stents and impositions whatsoever laid or to be laid upon this burgh, in manner more fully contained in the said right, and for which right the said Patrick is to pay in to James Coulter, thesaurer, the soume of ane hundered merks as the agreed pryce of the said peice of ground.

The provest  
commissionat  
to the parlia-  
ment.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell doe hereby choose, elect, commissionat and appoynt Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, provest of the said burgh, to be commissioner for them and to represent the said burgh in the meeting of the nixt ensueing parliament, called be her Majestie to meet att Edinburgh the twelveth day of November nixt to come, and doe hereby give full power and commissione to him to meet, sit, vote, treat, consult, give advice and determine in all affairs that shall be brought in before the said parliament, and generally to doe every other thing as commissioner forsaid for the said burgh sicklyke and also fully and freely in all respects as any other commissioner has been or may be impoured to doe, and that as to everything incumbent for him or which shall be found proper and competent to be done, promising to hold firme and stable and to abyde att all and whatsoever things the said Hugh Montgomerie, there commissioner, shall doe in the premisses; and ordaines James M'Bryd, toune clerk, to give extract of this present act and to affix the publict seal of office of the said burgh hereunto.

*23 September 1702.*

Commissione  
to the dean  
of gild to goe  
to Lanerk.

The provest, baillies and toun counsell doe hereby give full power and commissione to Robert Yuill, dean of gild, to attend the meeting of the shyre of Lanerk, att the toune of Lanerk, the morrow, being the twenty fourth instant, and there in name of the burgh of Glasgow, for there lands of Provan and others, to proceed with the other barrons and freeholders of the said shyre in the electione of the commissioners for representing the said shyre in the ensueing parliament . . . and to doe all other things incumbent thereanent sicklyke and also freely as any other barron is be law authorised to doe.

Appoynts John Corse, milne wright in this burgh, to be milne wright <sup>Toune milne</sup> to the milnes belonging to this burgh, and to give attendance and to be <sup>wright.</sup> ready when called to give due and tymeous service in his said trade as he shall be called and desyred thereto, and not to be absent att any tyme when occasione or need requyres, and this to continoue during the counsellis pleasure.

30 *September* 1702.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that, be there former <sup>David Weir</sup> act dated the twenty nynth day of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and one years, the <sup>to keep the</sup> then magistrats and toun counsell had committed the keeping of the <sup>hail clocks.</sup> chimns and clock in the tolbuiths steeple and clock in the Merchant House steeple to David Weir, hamerman, for the yearly sellarie of ane hundered pounds, commensing frae Lambmes then last, and did continowe with Robert Steivensone, glazier, the keeping of the tuo clocks in the High Kirk and Hutchesons Hospitall, for which the said Robert was to have ane hundered merks, commensing as said is, only yearly, and the said act to continoue only during the counsellis pleasure, and now in regard that the magistrats and toun counsell have had funder proof and experience of the said David Weir his airt, ingyne and fittednes for keeping of the saids clocks and chimns, therefore and for his funder encouragement they hereby appoynt him to keep the saids other tuo clocks in the saids High Kirk and Hutchesons Hospitall after the first of November nixt, and him to have the said one hundered merks of sellarie yearly for keeping thereof, commensing frae the said first day of November nixt, sua that his yearly sellarie for keeping of the said chimns and four clocks after the said day extends to tuo hundered and fifty merks, . . . and declares this present act only to continoue during the counsellors pleasure, and rescinds and recalls any former acts made in favours of the said Robert Steivenson for keeping of the saids clocks and cellaries therefore.

5 *October* 1702.

Ordaines James Coulter, thesaurer, to make payment to Margaret <sup>Warrands for</sup> Miller, relict of unquhill George Nisbitt, glazier, of the soume of ane <sup>Mrs. Nisbitt.</sup> hundered seventy four pounds as the pryce of tuo hundered and fifty daills furnished be her to the toune in May, June, and July last, for the use of the kirks and meeting house, fleshmercat, and of the touns milne.

William  
Hutcheson.

Ordaines James Coulter, thesaurer, to pay to William Hutcheson, gardener, twelve pounds Scotts money for streuing roses and flowers furnished be him to the magistrats and counsell there seats in the churches this last season.

Act anent  
Mrs. Young.

The provest represented that the magistrats and toun counsell for the tyme, by there act dated the fourth day of September j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie seven years, having for Mary Young (a gentlewoman fitt for educating and teaching of young women in shewing, jappanning, pastrie, and others suchlyke) her encouragement for coming from Ireland to this burgh, enacted and obleidged themselves and there successors in office for payment to her of tuo hundered merks, yearly, during the tyme of her abode, teaching and being usefull to the effect forsaied; likeas, be a subsequent act dated the third day of May j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and one years, the then magistrats and toun counsell upon consideratione that the said Mary Young had considerable encouragement in this place, by her attaining to a good schooll, did restrict her to one hundered merks of yearly sellarie after Whitsunday last, which she was to have during the counsells pleasure, and rescinded the said former act, and farder represented that the said Mary Young having shoun her dissatisfactione att the said restrictione the counsell had desyred the provest to see if he could setle with her, and after commoning with her she had condescended to discharge the saids tuo former acts upon condition that she were payed of four hundered merks as tuo years sellarie due to her preceeding Whitsunday last, and secured by ane act of the toun counsell for ane hundered pounds to be payed to her, yearly, for six years only after Whitsunday last; which representatione being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they approved and hereby approves thereof and ordaines John Wallace, late thesaurer, and James Coulter, present thesaurer, each of them to make payment to the said Mary of tuo hundered merks as compleat payment of the saids tuo years sellaries preceeding Whitsunday last, and inacts and obleidges themselves and there successors in office for payment to her of one hundered pounds, yearly, for six years commensing frae the said terme of Whitsunday last, provyding that during the said six years she have her abode and teach and be usefull as said is within this burgh.

6 October 1702.

[Hugh Montgomerie, provost; Robert Rodger and James Montgomery, of the Election of merchants' rank, and George Buchanan, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] provest and bailies.

9 October 1702.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1702.

The provest, bailies and toun counsell, taking to there consideratione Anent the provests expenssis to London. that her Majesty hes been pleased to nominat and appoynt Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, provest of this burgh, to be ane of the commissioners to treat about the Union proposed betuixt the tuo kingdoms, there first meeting being appoynted to be att London, the twenty seventh of October instant, and notwithstanding that they doe expect that the publict will lay down a way for bearing the expenssis of the saids commissioners, yet nevertheles the saids magistrats and toun counsell doe judge it very reasonable that the said provest should not be exposed to ane uncertainty thereanent, therefore they hereby inact and obleidge themselves and their successors in office for good and thankfull payment to the said Hugh Montgomerie, provest, of the hail charges and expenssis that he shall be att in attending the said meeting att London and in goeing there and returneing, conforme to ane accompt thereof to be given under his hand, and to ansuer such bills as shall be draun be him from London to that effect; and in the mean tyme [2,000 merks to be borrowed and given to the provost to account of his expenses].

14 October 1702.

[Robert Yuill, dean of guild; Thomas Hamilton, deacon convener; Stephen Dean of gild, Craufurd, treasurer; Robert Alexander, bailie of Gorbals; John King, water etc. bailie; William Barclay, master of work; Robert Boyd, visitor of maltmen; John Reid, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

17 October 1702.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 3 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 4 merks Bread, tallow, candle. Scots the stone, and candle 3 pounds Scots the stone.]

20 *March* 1703.

Warrant for  
Robert  
Dickie.

The magistrats and toun counsell ordaines Stephen Craufurd, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Dickie, wright, the soume of four score fyve pounds twelve shilling Scotts money resting be the toun to him, whereof eightie one pounds twelve shilling for ane hundered and sixteen dails for making the divisione of the dean of gilds court hall in the tolbuith and for making of tuo pantries there, att four severall tymes, and for work in the Laigh Kirk and guard house and broads to the meall mercat and weighhouse, att twelve shilling per peice, and four pound as the remander thereof for a treat to the pickett att the guard house, conforme to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

James  
Lochead,  
overseer to  
the High  
Church.

The magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby appoynt James Lohead, glazier, burges of this burgh, that immediately after the date hereof he repair, mend and put the haill glass windows of the High Church in a good and sufficient caise and condition in glass and all other necessars, and to maintain, keep and uphold the saids haill glass windows in a good and sufficient manner during his continouing in the said service and trust be vertue hereof, during which tyme also the said James Lohead is also hereby appoynted to take carefull notice and oversight of the haill fabrick of the said High Church and leads of the same, and that nothing thereof goe wrong nor abuse be done thereto or in the kirkyeard of the samen: for the docing and faithfull and carefull performance whereof the said James is to have yearly payed to him be the toun thesaurer the soume of tuo hundered merks, Scotts money, for his repairing and upholding of the saids glass windows as said is and for his said care and oversight, and that by and attour the expenssis of what other work shall be found necessary for repairing and upholding of the remanent fabrick of the said kirk besydes the saids glass windows; and declares the said James his entrie to the said work and oversight to have begun the first of March instant and to continue only during the present magistrats and toun counsell, or their successors in office there will and pleasure.

5 *April* 1703.

Master of  
works compt  
fitted.

[Approved of account of the master of work including payment by him of £88 8 s. 6 d. "for mort chists to the poor and to pensioners and carrying of cripples out of the toun."]



The magistrats and toun counsell having heard read in there presence the burrow missive for the meeting of the generall convention of the royall burrows in this burgh upon the first Teusday of July nixt have appoynted and hereby appoynts and impowers the clerk to the royall burrows to subscryve in their names the said burrow missive and to dispatch the same without delay to the respective burrows to the effect forsaid.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrats and toun counsell, being certainly informed that diverse persons, inhabitants of this burgh and others, doe break, slope and hole the glass windows and leads of the High Church and hurt the fabrick of the samen, by shooting att or towards the said High Church, for killing of doves or for some other cause, therefore the saids magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby prohibite and discharge all such shooting att or towards the said High Church or any pairt thereof, in tyme coming, upon any pretence whatsoever, under the pain of ten pounds Scotts to be payed by each contraveener *toties quoties*, the ane half thereof to be given to the informer, and recommends to the magistrats to make publicatione hereof be touck of drum throw this toun as use is that none pretend ignorance.

1 June 1703.

[Mills, 7,550 merks ; ladles, 5,500 merks ; mealmarket and pecks, 1,450 merks ; Common good tron, 1,110 merks ; bridge, 2,060 merks ; crane, 530 merks ; fishmarket, 100 merks.]<sup>set.</sup>

2 June 1703.

Ordains Stephen Craufurd, thesaurer, to pay to John Armour, John Armour, tayleour, [£78 11 s.] Scots money, for dressing the touns foot mantle and making up what was wanting of the forsaid furniture for ryding of the parliament and for cloaths to the Bridge-end officer.

11 June 1703.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, baillie Rodger represented that there was some difference and debate betwixt the present

<sup>1</sup> For the reasons stated in the minutes (printed in Convention Records, IV., pp. 344-50) the convention did not meet till 3rd August ; on which day "Hugh Montgomerie of Buasbie, lord provost of Glasgow," was

elected preses. At the general convention in the following year, likewise held in Glasgow, the lord provost of Edinburgh presided (*Ibid.*, pp. 353-7).

tacksmen of the ladles and some of the mealmen which is as followes, viz., the mealmen having some meall in the mercat place which they pretend was ladled be the late tacksmen in corne before it was grind in meall, and thereupon they pretend that it ought not be ladled again when inverted in meall; which representatione being heard in counsell, and they having taken informatione of severall persons formerly tacksmen of the ladles, and they having considered the forsaid representatione and informatione forsaid, doe find that all victuall that comes to the mercat should be ladled and that it hes been in use and wont formerly so to be done, and recommends to the magistrats to see the samen be done accordingly; whereupon John King, maltman, ane of the toun counsell, protested that ladles be payed according to use and wont as formerly, and thereupon took instruments in the clerks hands.

20 *July* 1703.

A committee  
to cause  
draine the  
Provand boig.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that their prediccursors having formerly a designe to drain the Provand boig did in order thereunto cause make some cutting upon the craig att the foot of the said boig, which was neither made so wide nor so deep in the craig as to effectuat their designe, and now the saids magistrats and toun counsell judging that the draining of the said boig may be ane considerable improvement and advantage, therefore they hereby appoynt John Anderson [and others] to settle and aggree with workmen for cutting of the said craig so as the same may be effectuall for draining of the said boig.

28 *July* 1703.

Deacon con-  
veener.

Ordaines Stephen Craufurd, thesaurer, to pay to Thomas Hamilton, deacon conveyener, [£263 18s.] Scotts money, whereof there is [£188 6s.] debursed be him att Edinburgh to Henry Lothead, vintner there, which soume was spent in his house att some treats and intertainements given be the provest, baillie Rodger, dean of gild and deacon conveyener, to those that attended the provest to the Abbay to the ryding of the parliament in May last, and the remander of the said soume being expended be the said Thomas in ordinary and extraordinary expenses to, in, and from Edinburgh and for horses hyres and otherwayes, conforme to a particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

30 August 1703.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, George Craig, hammer-man, gave in a supplicatione to them shewing that he having a barne with ane yeard at the back thereof pertaining to him, lying without the West Port, bounded betuixt the lands of William Douglass, landlabourer, on the west, and the lands of umquhill Thomas Broun, merchant, on the east pairts, he intended to demolish the said barne and in place thereof to build ane foir front of land for duelling houses, to the decorement of the place, provyding the said George gett liberty to bring the same also far out as other persons without the West Port had gotten, particularly John Wilson and James Todd, maltmen, who by their outcoming with their buildings had no wayes prejudged but decored the place, and therefore craving that the counsell wouuld visite the place and mark and meith how far the said George may carry out his building as hes been formerly done in the lyke caises; which supplicatione being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they recommended and hereby recommends the desyre thereof to the dean of gild and his brethren and impowers them to doe therein as they see just and reasonable.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, Robert Dinwiddie, merchant, gave in a supplicatione to them shewing that he had obtained ane decreit of suspensione and declaratour att his instance, before the lords of counsell and sessione, declaring the tack past betuixt the toun and him of the lands of Petershill to be null . . . which supplicatione and decreit being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they ordained and hereby ordaines the saids lands of Petershill, with the loch, as the same is now possesst be the said Robert, to be publictly roupd within the tolbuith of this burgh upon the fourteen of September nixt, att eleven of the clock in the forenoon, in order to a tack thereof to be granted for the space of eleven years to those that will bid most therefore.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, considering that the tack of the tounes lands of Provand in favours of Thomas Hamilton and George Buchanan, maltmen, and Robert Buchanan, baxter, expyres with this present cropt, therefore finding it expedient that the samen should be exposed to publict roup in order to a tack thereof to be sett as is afterspecifeit, with and under the provisions and conditions aftermen-

Act in favours  
of George  
Craig.

The lands of  
Petershill to  
be roupd in  
order to be  
sett in tack.

The lands of  
Provand to be  
roupd.

tioned, therefore ordaines the samen to be publictly roupd within the tolbuith of this burgh upon the fourteen day of September nixt, att eleven of the clock in the forenoon, and the lands to be sua roupd and termes and conditions thereof to be as followes, viz., all and sundry the lands and others underwritten with the pertinents, to witt, the lands called the Mains of Provand, the lands of Easter and Wester Counshlies, Gartshoch, Cardowan, Garthamloch and Craigend, with the muire thereof, the lands of Gartcraig, Rachesie, Blairlinne and Riddrie, with the milne of Provand, milne lands, multures, sequells and knaveship thereof, with the severall houses, biggings, yeards, mosses, muires, meadows, pairts, pendicles and haill priviledges and pertinents whatsomever belonging to the saids respective lands, all lyand within the parochen of the barrony of Glasgow and shereffdome of Lanerk, are all to be exposed be publict roup, to the effect the samen may be farmed and sett by way of tack to sufficient tacksmen who shall bid most therefore, for the space of eleven years and cropts nixt and immediately follouing there entry thereto, be vertue of the tack to be granted, which shall be and begin to the arable lands thereof att Mertimes nixt, to the houses and grass of the samen att Beltan nixt thereafter and to the milne and milne houses at Lambmes also thereafter, the tacksmen being allwayes actuall residenters in and inhabitants of the burgh of Glasgow; whilk tack and assedatione the magistrats and counsell are to obleidge themselves and there successors in office to warrand to be good and valide to the said tacksmen in forme and manner as is abovewritten, att all hands and against all deadly as law will. . . . That the saids tacksmen or farmers be bound and obleidged, conjunctlie and severallie, to sett no subtacks to any of the tennants of the forsaid lands below the present rental for any grassum or foremaill to be given; as also the saids tacksmen or farmers are to be obleidged, conjunctlie and severallie as said is, that during the said tack the tennants, labourers and possessors of the haill lands, shall each of them eat there wholle fodder growand upon the saids lands, on the ground thereof, and shall not outrun any of the lands, but shall labour the samen duely and regularly according to the ordinary tilth thereof, and that none of the tennants shall cast any peats, faill or turfe in or upon any pairt of the boig of Provand during the said

tack. And sicklyke the saids tacksmen or farmers are to obleidge themselves, conjunctlie and severallie as said is, to leave the houses and biggings of the saids lands in also good caise and conditione att there removeall therefrae as they shall be found to be in att there entry thereto, the magistrats and counsell allwayes furnishing to the said tacksmen great and small timber for the better repairing of the saids houses also oft as need beis. . . . And sicklyke the saids magistrats and counsell are by the said tack to impower the tacksmen or farmers to keep courts upon the ground of the saids lands also oft as need beis, and to make and constitut them their baillies in that pairt for that effect, in order to the ingathering of the rents of the saids lands, or for administratione of justice to the tennants thereof, in such due forme as effeirs, and to doe everything necessar thereanent as the saids magistrats or counsell might or could doe themselves during the years of the said tack allenerly and no other wayes. And farder, for the said tacksmen or farmers there encouradgement, in caise they shall att any tyme hereafter think expedient during the tack to cut and make farder incisione upon the craig at the foot of the Provand boig, that then and in that caise and for that cause the magistrats and toun counsell are to be obleidged to make payment to the saids tacksmen or farmers of the soume of three hundered merks Scotts money, provyding allwise that the said craig be cutted in manner following, viz., ane elne deeper then the present deepnes thereof, att and about the head of the craig already cutted, and tuo foot breadth at the bottom thereof, and that they shall cutt a descent and levell suitable, whereby the water may have free passage and currency from the mouth according to the deepnes and widenes forsaid. . . .

14 *September* 1703.

[Referring to the proposed letting by roup of the lands of Provan and Petershill] the magistrats and toun counsell considering that it will be ane encouragement to the bidders at the said roup that the space of the tacks to be sett should be as is afterspecifeit, therefore appoynts the space of both the saids tacks to be nynteen years, and the tacksmen to be free att the end of the first seven years thereof, the tacksmen laufully overgiving the samen att the terme of Whitsunday preceeding, and

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appoynts the termes of the two roupes now drawn out in order to the roupes to be ammendit accordingly.

*25 September 1703.*

Warrant for  
the provests  
expenssis att  
the parlia-  
ment.

Ordaines Stephen Craufurd, thesaurer, to make payment to Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, present provest, of the soume of eight hundered pounds Scotts money as his expenssis, ordinary and extraordinary, in attending the last sessione of parliament, from the third day of May last to the twentie first of September instant, and for horse hyres severall tymes to and from Edinburgh, and spent be him in endeavouring to procure a continuacione of the touns two pennies on the pynt, conforme to ane particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

Warrant,  
woolen manu-  
factory.

Ordaines Stephen Craufurd, thesaurer, to make payment to Thomas Thomsone, present manadger of the woolen manufactory in the Candlerigg Street of the soume of [£270 18 s.] Scotts, as the pryce of fifty four ells of broad reid cloath bought from him for the toun officers their coats in June last.

Touns ex-  
penses att  
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tione.

The magistrats and toun counsell recommends to the magistrats, or to any of the counsell whom they shall call to their assistance, to take in the accompt of this burghs expenssis at the late conventionne of burrows holden within this burgh in August last, and to report their dilligence therein against the nixt counsell day.

Warrant,  
master of  
work.

Appoynts the master of work to provyde and give a coat to Ninian Anderson, dempster, and ane other to James Reid, toun herd, in respect of the poverty of both.

*4 October 1703.*

Expenssis att  
the conven-  
tione.

[The magistrates reported that "the haille accompts of the expenses att the treating and entertaining of the commissioners and representatives of the royall burrows att their generall conventionne within this burgh, in August last," amounted to £2,002 Scots. Included in this sum were (1) £183 paid to George Lind, merchant in Edinburgh, "for ribbans to burges ticketts;" (2) £41 13 s. "to James Lindsay, keeper of the coffee house;" (3) £550 "to William Carmichael, vintner, as debursed be himself" for "the publict dinner given to the representatives of the royall burghs and others present;" and (4) £100 "to William Waddell, painter, for gilding and painting the burges ticketts and ribbans and five piramides."]

[Ordnained the treasurer to pay £12 Scots to be given to "Adam Baird in Ferreing over Riccartoun, for helping him to furnish a boat for ferreing over the water of water of Irving, being betwixt this burgh and Air."]

5 October 1703.

[John Anderson, provost; Robert Yuill and James Coulter, of the merchants' rank, George Robieson, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

8 October 1703.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

13 October 1703.

[John Aird, younger, dean of guild; Thomas Hamilton, deacon convener; Dean of John Bowman, treasurer; John King, bailie of Gorbals; John Buchanan, water guild, etc. bailie; William Barclay, master of work; James Mitchell, visitor of maltmen; Thomas Niccoall, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

16 October 1703.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 3 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 50s. the stone, and candle for 56 s. 8 d. the stone.] Bread, tallow, candle.

30 October 1703.

The magistrats and toun counsell recommends [a committee] to take to their consideratione ane petitione given in to the counsell be the barbers of this burgh against the chirurgeons therein, and for that effect to hear both pairties thereupon on Tuesday nixt, at three o'clock in the afternoon, and to make report to the counsell att their nixt meeting thereanent, and in the meantyme to give out the said petitione to the visitor of the chirurgeons that they may see and ansuer the samen betuixt and the said tyme.

9 November 1703.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that be severall acts and appoyntments of Hutchesons Hospitall the old men and boys in the said hospitall are appoynted to repair all together for hearing of sermon Church seats for old men and boys in Hutchesons Hospitall.

on Sabbaths and week dayes in the Troan Church, as agreeable to the mortificatione of the said hospitall, and in manner as is contained in the saids acts of the said hospitall, therefore the magistrats and toun counsell appoynts John Aird, younger, dean of gild, to take down these seats in the east syde of the isle of the said church, betuixt John Halls seat and the face of the loft in the said isle, and to erect in that bounds convenient seats for the saids old men and boys.

*22 November 1703.*

Tack of the  
teynds.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that the tuo tacks granted be the Archbishop of Glasgow, the one of the Barrony teynds and the other of the teynds of the aikers about this burgh, doe now expyre, and that it were convenient that the toun had new tacks thereof for the better securing of the stipends and the keeping the fabrick of the great church in repair, and other causes for which the said teynds are lyable, conforme to the saids tuo former tacks, and for the ease of the Provand lands, therefore and in respect that [the provest, dean of gild and deacon conveener] is now goeing to Edinburgh upon the concernes of this burgh, therefore the saids magistrats and counsell doe hereby give full power and commissione to the saids three persons to see on what termes the toun may obtaine from the lords of her Majesties thesaurie, or others having power, tacks of the saids teynds for nynteen years, and to make their report to the counsell of what progress they make and of their thoughts thereanent, and call whom they think fitt for advice and assistance in the said matter.

*27 December 1703.*

Tack of the  
Provand sub-  
scryved.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscryved a tack to Mungo Cochrane, merchant in Glasgow, John French, maltman, there, and Robert Dickie, wright, younger, equally among them, their airs and assigneys, of these lands of Provand specified in anc former act dated the threttie day of August last (in which the termes of the roup whereupon the said tack proceeded are insert), and that for the space of nynteen years after their entry thereto, which was to the arable lands att Mertimes last and to the houses and grass at Beltan nixt and to the milne also att Lambmes nixt,



by which tack the said Mungo Cochrane, John French and Robert Dickie are bound, conjunctlie and severally, for fyve thousand fyve hundered and fifty merks, as the yearly rent of lands and others thereby farmed to them, att the termes specifeit in the tack, and in the saids terms of the roup, which tack contains severall provisions, conditions and obleidgements, in manner exprest in the said former act and in another former act dated the fourteen day of September last.

The magistrats and toun counsell have subscriyved ane tack to James Miller, mealman in this burgh, his airs and assigneys, of the lands of Petershill, with the loch on the south syde thereof, bounded and marched as the samen were last sett to and possesst be Robert Dinnwiddie, merchant, but prejudice allwayes to the hiewayes now in use and wont, and that for nynteen years after the said James his entry, which was to begin to the arable lands at Mertimes last and to the house and grass att Beltan nixt; with liberty to him and his forsaides during the said space to drain the loch or other wayes farder to improve the samen att there pleasure; and to search for stone quarries on any pairt of the lands and winn stones therin and dispose of them att their pleasure, the counsell first visiting the place where the quarries are to be and approveing thereof, by which tack the said James Miller, as principall, and John Herbertson, younger, merchant in this burgh, as cautioner, are bound, conjunctlie and severally, for payment of tuo hundred and fifty fyve merks Scotts as the yearly rent during the tack . . . and to leave the houses in alse good caise as he receives the samen, which by the tack are declaired to be sufficiently habitable, and lykewayes by the tack the tennant is to be free of teyndes, feudeuties and all publict burdens, except locall and transient quarters, and it is thereby agreed that the tennant may if he please overgive the tack at the end of the first seven years, he making lawfull overgiving.

William Thomsone, deacon of the tayleors, represented that in respect, for some years bygone, there have been great divisions and animosities among the members of the tayleor craft about the tyme of their electing their deacon and masters, therefore he, the deacon, and the masters and others of their incorporatione had conveyened and made ane act prescryveing some methods for preventing such discords and divisions for the future,

they approved and hereby approves of the said John Aird his distributing and divyding the saids ratches as said is, and enacts and obleidges themselves and their successors in office to warrand and skaithles keep the said John Aird of all dammage and prejudice that he shall ever sustain throw the doeing thereof, and exoners him of the saids haill musquets.

*12 February 1704.*

Officers of  
company's of  
north  
quarter.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, the magistrats represented that they had received lytes of persons to be chosen officers for commanding of the guard not only from these of the east syde of the north quarter but these from the west syde thereof, which lytes being read in presence of the magistrats and counsell and considered be them, they elected and hereby elects the persons following, viz., Andrew Dennestoun, hammerman, and David Robb, maltman, to be captains, and John Broun, cordener, and William Wilson, maltman, to be leivtennants, and John M'Gilchrist, weaver, and John Baird, tayleor, to be ensignes, for commanding the company on the said east syde of the said north quarter; item, Stephen Rowand, heftmaker, and John Boyd, maltman, to be captains, John Paull, maltman, and James Miller, mealman, to be leivtennants, Robert Marshall, dyster, and James Clerk, cordener, to be ensignes, for commanding the company on the west syde of the said north quarter. And appoynts the magistrats to call before them the saids officers and requyre their acceptance, and if they refuse that the magistrats incarcerat the refusers ay and whill they condescend to accept.

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8 May 1704.

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The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that the tack granted in favours of this burgh of the teynds of the Barrony and others are burdened with the repairing of the High Church of this burgh, and that there is some pairt of the wall on the west gavill fallen down and that some other pairts of the said High Church needs poynting and reparation, therefore apponyts John Aird, dean of gild, to repair and build up the said pairt fallen down as said is, and to make what other reparations upon the said High Church he thinks needfull.

Report anent  
complaint be  
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The provest [and others] reported that there was formerly ane supplicatione given in to the saids magistrats and toun counsell att the

instance of the barbers of this burgh against the chirurgeons thereof, relative to ane letter of deaconrie granted be the magistrats and toun counsell of the said burgh, dated the sixteen of August j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and fifty six,<sup>1</sup> proceeding upon ane supplicatione then given in to them be the chirurgeons and barbers residenters within the said city, establishing the said chirurgeons and barbers in deaconhood, with priviledges as is exprest in the said letter of deaconrie, and by which representatione the barbers, petitioners, doe complain that of late the chirurgeons hes committed many unwarrantable encroatchments upon the interest of the barbers, contrary to the said letter of deaconrie, and as particularly are exprest in the said supplicatione, and therefore craving the magistrats and toun counsell their protectione and that they would repone the barbers to their wonted priviledges and liberties, conforme to the termes of the letter of deaconrie, or otherwayes to fall about some methods for dis-joyning the barbers from the chirurgeons, in manner and for the causes particularly exprest in the petition, and to appoynt the chirurgeons to exhibite and produce their gift and ratificatione specified in the said supplicatione, with the saids letter of deaconrie and acts of court, to the effect the same may be seen and considered with the samen supplicatione, as in the samen more fully and particularly is exprest; and that the said supplicatione being, upon the threttie day of October last, read in presence of the magistrats and toun counsell, they be their act of the said date recommended to the reporters as a committee to take consideratione of the said petitione and to hear both parties thereupon, as the said act more fully bears; and that, conforme to the said act, the reporters gave out the said supplicatione to Mr. Henry Marshall, present visitor of the chirurgeons, to the effect he might return the samen with the chirurgeons their answers thereunto; lykeas the reporters having thereafter convened upon the second of November j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and three, and having called before them the saids pairties, the said Mr. Henry Marshall gave in to them answers to the said petition, which answers being read in presence of the reporters and others of the committee they found that, albeit the petition was given out to the said Mr. Henry in behalf of the chirurgeons, to the effect he might give the chirurgeons of the faculty

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Rec., II., pp. 341-4.

their answer thereto, yet the answers did bear to be given in his own name allenerly, and therefore the committee refused to have any regard to the saids answers, but declared that if the said visitor should give in other answers, in name of himself and the other chirurgeons, that the same should be considered; after which the said Mr. Henry gave in answers in name of the faculty of the chirurgeons, which being given out to the barbers and they having returned the same with their replys, the reporters and others of the committee having conveened upon the fifteen of November last, and the barbers supplicatione with the answers and replyes forsaid, and the double of the said letter of deaconrie, being read in their presence, they appoynted the chirurgeons to produce their books containing their acts since the date forsaid of the said letter of deaconrie; and sicklyke the said reporters and others of the committee having conveened upon the seventeen day of the said moneth of November last, and Mr. Peter Paton, doctor of medicine, the said Mr. Henry Marshall, visitor forsaid, William Thomsons, James Weir and David Hall, chirurgeons, and Thomas M'Allay and Walter Robieson, barbers, having compeared before them, the said visitor produced tuo of the act bookes of the faculty, and the reporters and others of the committee appoynted the chirurgeons to take to their consideratione whether they wouold adhere to or pass from the saids letters of deaconrie and to report their resolutione and determinatione therein; thereafter, upon the second of May instant, the reporters and others of the committee having conveened compeared before them the said Mr. Henry Marshall, visitor, and the said Thomas M'Allay and some others of the barbers, and the said visitor being requyred to make the forsaid report, conforme to the appoyntment abovewritten, he declared that he forgot to call the faculty of the chirurgeons to that effect and craved a new dyet for doing thereof, whereupon the committee assigned to the visitor the fyfth of May instant, att fyve of the clock in the afternoon, for that effect; and lykewayes the reporters and others of the committee having accordingly conveened att the said dyet, the said visitor and some of the barbers compeared before them, and the said Mr. Henry Marshall, visitor, being required to give in the report of the faculties resolutions anent adhering to or passing from the forsaid letter of deaconrie, the said visitor answered that he had



no report to make in wrytt but declared that he had no commissione from the facultie either for adhering to or passing frae the letter of deaconrie as the samen now stands, but that it was the chirurgeons judgement and opinion that it was very reasonable and requisite that many things in the letter of deaconrie should be ammended, and therefore desyred the committee that they wouuld think upon methods for making necessary alterationes and ammendaments therein, and for that effect to appoynt a committee consisting of some of the chirurgeons and some of the barbers to meet thereupon. And after the reporters had made the forsaid report of their procedure and diligence forsaid, the magistrats and toun counsell, after hearing and considering the samen, with the petition forsaid given in by the barbers, answers made thereto be the chirurgeons, replies made be the barbers, with the coppie of the chartour granted be King James the Sixth in favours of the chirurgeons, with the forsaid letter of deaconrie in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and fifty six, they find that the forsaid letter of deaconrie having proceeded upon the joynt applicatione of the chirurgeons and barbers of this burgh for the tyme, by which the rules to be observed by the members of the said societie of chirurgeons and barbers are clearly and distinctly stated and determined for all tyme thereafter, therefore it is their opinion that none of the saids pairties nor any of their members can or have any power to recede from any of the rules and conditions of the above letter of deaconrie, but that the samen ought to be observed by them and every member of their societie, and that the magistrats and toun counsell judged it their duty and interest to preserve the said letter of deaconrie from any incroatchments to be made thereupon by any person; as also the saids magistrats and counsell are of opinion that the above gift in favours of the chirurgeons does nowayes transmitt any power of deaconrie or other power peculiar to be granted be the burgh, and that the said gift can affoord no ground or warrand to the saids chirurgeons to recede from the said letter of deaconrie procured upon their and the barbers joynt applicatione many years after the said gift, and therefore ordaines the said letter of deaconrie to be the standart and rule, and discharges all alterations or incroatchments to be made thereupon; and remitt to the magistrats to hear and determine in all complaints to be exhibite before them in relation to any incroatchments upon or

The counsell  
judgement  
thereof and  
the matters  
recommended  
to the magis-  
trats.

violations of the said letter of deaconrie, or any abuses or undue exactions of money, or of all other acts or deeds contrary or dissagreeable to the said letter of deaconrie and haill contents and priviledges thereof, and to redress any person or pairtie aggrieved, and to punish the pairties contraveeners as they shall see cause.

26 *May* 1704.

Act anent the  
drummers  
cloaths.

There was ane supplicatione given in be John Whytlaw and Robert Littlejohn, drummers, shewing that in former tymes the counsell was in use to appoynt to each of them fourtie merks in tuo years space for their cloaths, but about four years agoe or thereby the counsell were pleased to alter that method and were att expence of giving them cloaths of reid cloath with passments thereon, which were now turning old, therefore craving that each of them might have twenty merks yearly during the lasting of their said reid cloaths, and when hereafter they should gett other new reid cloaths to suspend the payment of the said twenty merks till the samen be lykewayes worne four years, and then thereafter to appoynt the drummers to enter in payment of the said twenty merks yearly during their lasting, and so to continoue thereafter, which they are willing to accept of in place of the said fourtie merks which each of them had in former tymes as said is; which petition being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they granted and hereby grants the desyre thereof during the counsell's pleasure, and appoynts the yearly payment to commense frae Whitsunday last and the equall half for this current year to be payable att Mertimes nixt and the other half att Whitsunday thereafter and so to continue, and the thesaurer to make payment accordingly.

6 *June* 1704.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 8,200 merks; ladies, 5,650 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,300 merks; tron and new weigh house, 1,400 merks; bridge, 2,260 merks; crane, 620 merks; fishmarket, 95 merks.]

17 *June* 1704.

Accompts  
cleared with  
Woodsyde.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveyed, there was produced before them an accompt resting be John Campbell of Woodsyde to this burgh, whereof the tenor followes:—Imprimis, the fyve rood of the tounes

lands<sup>1</sup> inclosed in Woodsydes park, being appryzed be John Woddrop of Dalmarnock, John Rowand and John Allan, elder (as appoynted thereunto be both pairties) they valued the samen to half ane boll yearly, and the samen being possest be Woodsyde for the space of twelve years preceeding the year j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and one years and fyve merks being a reasonable pryce for the said half boll, *communibus annis*, the saids pryces extends to fourtie pounds; item, the pryce of the said peice of land att eighteen years purchase amounts to sixty pounds; item, three aikers and ane half or thereby of the touns ground att the milnestone craig being laboured and possest be Woodsyde sixteen years preceeding the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie nyne, the saids persons estimat the yearly rent thereof to ten pecks and ane half peck, *inde* att the pryce forsaid the said sixteen years rent extends to seventie pounds; item, the said John rests the fewdeutie of Pirries Boig for threttie nyne years preceeding this instant year, j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and four years, being tuelve shilling yearly, *inde* twenty three pound eight shilling; item, he rests the fewduties of Mudies and Peters maillings frae Mertimes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and seventie six to Mertimes last bypast, being twenty seven years att ten merks yearly, *inde* ane hundered and eightie pounds; item, for the said John Campbell his stents of lands att Lambmes and Martimes j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie nyne and Candlemes and Whitsunday j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> years, due to John Paull, collector thereof, and allowed to him be the toune is nyneteen pound eighteen shilling; summa of the said accompt due be Woodsyde to the toun is [£393 6 s.], all Scotts money. Lykeas there was produced in counsell ane accompt of stones furnished be Woodsyde to the tounes use in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie one, extending to eightie nyne pounds, with ane other accompt of stones furnished be him to the tounes use in the year j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and tuo years, extending to [£84 5 s. 8 d.], and extending both the saids accompts due to Woodsyde to [£173 5 s. 8 d.] money forsaid. Which accompt abovewritten, resting be Woodsyde to the toune, with the tuo particulars accompts forsaid resting be the toune to Woodsyde, being all read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counsell and considered be them, they approved and hereby approves of the samen and doe find that there rests of ballance be Woodsyde to the toun the soume of [£220 0 s. 4 d.]; and appoynts John Bouman, thesaurer, to uplift and receave frae him the forsaid ballance.

<sup>1</sup> The lands called "Simmerhill." See *Glasgow Memorials*, pp. 143-6.

30 June 1704.

Warrand,  
Thomas  
Peter, for  
communion  
cups.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, there was given in to them ane accompt, revised be the dean of gild, resting be the toun for communion cups as followes, vizt., Imprimis, due to James Luke, goldsmith, for the workmanship of twelve communion cups made for the tounes use, att eleven shilling per unce, which extends to [£133] Scotts money; item, due to Thomas Peter, late baillie, for three pound weight of bullion towards the making of the saids cups, whereof one pound and a half pound, being att three pound four shilling per unce, and the other pound and a half att three pound per unce, extends to [£148 16 s.]; extending in all the said accompt to [£251 16 s.] Scotts money, the remander of the said eleven pounds and nyne unces being the weight of the old cups belonging to the toun which weighted eight pounds nyne uncc; which accompt abovewritten being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they ordained [payment thereof].

Warrand, late  
thesaurer, for  
John  
Robisoune.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, there was ane accompt given in to them, revised be the dean of gild, resting be the toun to John Robisoune, hammerman, extending to [£214 6 s. 10 d.], Scotts money, for making of communion tokens, buttons to the officers cloaths, and other peuther work to the toun, since July j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> years inclusive to the date hereof; which accompt being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they in respect thereof and that there was yet resting be the said John Robisoune to the toun [£171 8 s. 10d.] Scotts of the ballance of his thesaurer accompt, ordaine Stephen Craufurd, late thesaurer, to make payment [of the balance].

General con-  
ventionone of  
the burghs  
here.

The magistrats and toun counsell doe nominat and appoynt John Anderson of Dowhill, provest, and John Aird, younger, dean of gild of this burgh, or aither of them, to attend the generall conventionone of the burrous appoynted to be holden att this burgh upon the first Tuesday of July nixt, being the fourth day of the said moneth, conforme to the burrow missive direct thereanent, and appoynts Thomas Hamilton, deacon conveneer of the said burgh, to be assessor, and to supplie their commissioners rume and place in his absence, and appoynts the clerk to give commission in the common forme.

The magistrats and toun counsell having formerly made a transaction with Mungo Cochrane, merchant in Glasgow, and Andrew Gibson in Hillhead of Partick, for their disposing to them of the decreit of adjudicatione and others underwritten, with and under the conditions, provisions and declarations afterspecifeit, upon their making payment to the magistrats and toun counsell of or giving them sufficient security for the soume of fyve thousand merks Scotts money for the granting of the disposition, therefore the magistrats and toun counsell have now subscryved ane dispositione to the saids Mungo Cochrane and Andrew Gibsone, equally betuixt them, narrating ane decreit of adjudicatione obtained before the lords of counsell and session upon [5 February, 1697, at the instance of the toun treasurer] in name and on behalf of the toun counsell against Walter Gibson, merchant, late provest, adjudging the lands, tenements and others underwritten, viz., that peice of ground att the poynt of Dunduskie and pairt of the lands of Gourock, as they were sold, meithed and marched to the said Walter be umquhill Sir Archibald Stewart of Castlemilk, with the tower and houses thereupon and saltpans and fishings and others; item, that great new builded tenement, high and laigh, back and foir on the west syde of the Saltmercat Street of this burgh; item, the lands of Clayslopp *alias* Overton and Overton houses and pertinents; item, the lands of Meiklegovane and Belliehoustoun; item, the lands of Ballshagrie, Whytinch-meadow, Ballgray, Hyndland, Partick and Partick Bridge-end, with the salmond cruives and fishings on Kelvin Water; item, the coalls and coallheughs att Camlauchie, with the pertinents and right of the tack or other right of the samen. [By the disposition the lands were disposed to Cochrane and Gibsone, but the deed was not to be delivered till signed by the consenters and the 5,000 merks paid or secured.]

Disposition of  
touns adjudica-  
cacione  
against  
Walter Gib-  
son.

21 July 1704.

John Aird, younger, dean of gild, produced ane accompt (revised be him) of expenssis upon the touns accompt, spent in publict tavernes and be the private persons afternamed in entertaining the commissioners of the royall burrows, att there convention here in July instant, which is as follows:—[here follow particular items, extending in all to £746 12 s. 6 d., payment of which was authorised].

Warrant, ex-  
pensses att  
the meeting  
of the royall  
burrows here.

A ditch in  
Provand to  
be casten.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that the ditch in Provand, from the Camloch to the Provand milne, stands in great need of casting and cleansing and that now is the proper season therefore, therefore appoynts the deacon conveener and master of work to see the samen done as soon as possible and in as cheap and easie way as they can.

*27 July 1704.*

Anent Robert  
Thomsones  
petitione and  
accempt.

The magistrats and toun counsell remitts the consideration of ane accempt given in be Robert Thomson, postmaster, for postage of letters, with ane supplicatione given in be him in relatione to the cart duety off which he was tacksman the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie seven and j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nyntie eight, to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, and whom else of the counsell they please call to their assistance, that thereafter they may report their thoughts thereof to the counsell.

*5 September 1704.*

Fulton,  
burses and  
gildbrother.

Ordaines the dean of gild and brethren to admitt John Fulton, wrytter in the clerks chamber, burses and gild brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed for good service done and to be done to this burgh.

Warrand,  
thesaurer.

Ordains John Bouman, thesaurer, to have allowance in his oun hands of the soume of fyve pounds sterling, given be him att the magistrats desyre to a freind of the toun to bear his expenssis to and in Edinburgh for useing his endeavours to be helpfull to the obtaining to the toun a gift of tuo pennies on the pynt frae the parliament.

Report anent  
obtaining a  
gift of the tuo  
pennys on the  
pynt.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, John Anderson of Dowhill, provest, John Aird, younger, dean of gild, and Thomas Hamiltoun, deacon conveener, reported that they having gone to Edinburgh in August last for applying [to] her Majesties hie commissioner and estates of parliament, then sitting, for a gift and imposition to have been granted be them to and in favours of this burgh of tuo pennys on the pynt of all ale and beir browen and sold within this burgh, and finding that the persons afternamed were attending the parliament in order to obstruct the reporters purpose forsaid in obtaining the said gift, they therefore judged it expedient for removing the said obstruction to fall upon methods

not only for removing thereof but for obtaining the help and assistance of the persons afternamed in procureing the said gift, and therefore did settle and aggree with them as is afterspecified:—Imprimis, the reporters did grant band to James Walkingshaw of that Ilk, William Walkingshaw of Scottstoun, John Grahame of Dougalstoun, George Lockhart, Daniel Campbell and William Woddrope, merchants in Glasgow, mentioning that they and others were att considerable charge and expence before the parliament and the lords of counsell and sessione for rectifying some pretended abuses and mistakes (as they would have it tearmed) betuixt the toun and them, and that it being aggreed for procureing a right understanding and freindly correspondence betuixt the toun and them that the reporters should grant the obligatione underwritten, therefore the reporters became bound, conjunctlie and severallie, that how soon there should be ane act of the then present session of parliament granted in favours of this burgh for the said gift of tuo pennies on the pynt, that then and immediately thereafter the reporters should procure ane act of the toun counsell whereby they and their successors in office should be sufficiently bound to give and grant security for payment to the persones abovenamed, or any having their power and warrand, such a soume of money in consideration of their advances and depursements forsaid and for defraying their oun personall charges and expenssis as should be modified by the said John Grahame, not exceeding in hail the soume of nyne thousand merks Scotts money, and that out of the first and readiest of the benefite arysing from the forsaid gift to be obtained as said is, and that under the penalty of fyve hundered merks attour performance; which band is dated the eleventh day of August last; item, the reporters gave ane other band to Colin Bell, merchant, late baillie of this burgh, relative to the reporters designe and purpose forsaid in obtaining the said gift, and mentioning that they, understanding that the said Colin Bell might be helpfull and assistant in procureing the said gift, and being sensible of his care and concerne in useing his utmost dilligence for obtaining to this burgh the said gift, and withall considering the many great and good services done and performed to this burgh by Sir John Bell, late provest thereof, father to the said Colin, and that upon many occasions his private interest hes suffered upon the publict accompt, in remunera-

tion whereof and upon severall other accompts and for diverse weighty causes, the reporters, by the said band, bound and obleidged them and their successors in office, in name and behalf of the remanent toun counsell of this burgh and as representing the community thereof, to procure ane act of the toun counsell of this burgh in favours of the said Colin Bell that in caise they should prevaill and obtaine from the then present session of parliament the forsaid gift and imposition, for any space or tyme after the expiration of the touns present gift, that then and in that caise allenerly the magistrats, toun counsell and community of this burgh should be obleidged be the said act to make payment to the said Colin, his airs or assigneys, of the soume of three thousand six hundered pound Scotts money, out of the first and readiest of what soume should aryse to this burgh by the said gift, and that att the first terme, Candlemes, Whitsunday, Lambmes or Martimes, after so much as would pay the above soume should happen to be uplifted by the above gift and imposition to be procured in manner forsaid; as the said band dated the tuelveth day of August last bears. And farder reported that, notwithstanding of all endeavours and means used for obtaining the said gift from the said session of parliament, yet the same could not be obtained, the parliament having laid by the same upon the accompt of public affairs hindering them from private affairs, so that thereby and by the conceptions of the saids tuo bands the same are become voyd, the said gift not being obtained from the said session of parliament; which haill report abovewritten being fully heard and considered by the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves of the reporters their haill manadgements and actings as is abovewritten, and hereby inact, bind and obleidge them and their successors in office (with and under the provision and condition afterspecifeit) to warrand, freeth, releive, harmles and skaithles keep the said provest, dean of gild and deacon conveener of the tuo obligations abovewritten, granted be them in manner forsaid, and haill contents thereof, and of all coast, skaith, damage or expenssis they or theirs shall happen to sustain or incurr therethrow or by their granting of the samen; provyding allwayes, lykeas it is hereby specially provyded and declared that the obleidgement immediately abovewritten in favours of the said provest, dean of gild and deacon conveener, shall be nowayes understood or inter-



puted to be any homologation in favours of the forenamed persons (to whom the forsaid two bands are granted as said is) of the said two bands granted to them as said is, the samen being now fallen and become voyd by the said gift not being obtained in the said last session of parliament in manner abovespecified.

16 September 1704.

The magistrats and toun counsell, taking to their consideration that be a former act dated the seventeen day of June last, there is an accompt resting be John Campbell of Woodsyde to the toun cleared, in which accompt resting be the said John to the toun there is an article of sixty pounds as the pryce of ane peice of land extending to fyve roods or thereby of the tounes common inclosed in the said John his park, of which land the toun is not yet denuded, and therefore they have now subscriyved ane dispositione of the said fyve roods or thereby in favours of the said John, in lyferent, and of Colin Campbell, his eldest sone, in fie, with the burden of ane yearly fewdeuty of twelve pounds Scotts money upliftable furth thereof, and the cause of the granting of the said dispositione is as is above specified, notwithstanding the samen bears sixty pounds payed to John Bouman, thesaurer, which the said John received not and so not to be charged therewith; and whereas the said former act bears two hundred and twenty pounds to be the ballance resting be Woodsyde to the toun, yet nevertheles the magistrats and toun counsell considering that the said Colin Campbell, younger of Woodsyde, hes been att expenssis and trouble of late in severall affairs of this burgh, therefore recommends to the provest to meet and treat with the said Colin in relatione to his said expenssis and give his report and thoughts thereof to the counsell.

3 October 1704.

[John Anderson, provost; James Sloas and John Bouman, for the merchants' rank, and John King, for the crafts' rank, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

6 October 1704.

[The magistrats of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

11 October 1704.

Dean of  
guild, etc. [John Aird, younger, dean of guild; George Robisoune, deacon convener;  
John Paull, treasurer; Michael Coulter, bailie of Gorbals; William Thomsons,  
water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; James Mitchell, visitor of malt-  
men; John Reid, visitor of gardeners: John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

14 October 1704.

Bread, tallow,  
candles. [The 12d. loaf to weigh 10 oz. 10 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 42s. Scots  
the stone, and candle for 48 s. 8 d. Scots the stone.]

28 October 1704.

Chirurgeons  
lyable to  
watching,  
warding, etc. The magistrats and toun counsell convened, anent the petition given  
in to them be John Boyd, pretendit visitor, and remanent members of  
the faculty of chirurgeons and pharmacians within this burgh, shewing  
that they are ordinarily warned by the toun officers to weaponshawing,  
watching and warding with the other inhabitants of this burgh, albeit  
they be not lyable thereto, first, because the same is inconsistent with  
their employments of chirurgerie and pharmacie, being operations on the  
bodys of men and dispenceing of medicines to them, which in a great  
many particulars are ordinary daylie occurrences can admitt of no delay  
without hazard of lyfe or danger of the health of the patient, which the  
petitioners conceive is (without any order) sufficient ground of exemption,  
especially considering the paucity of their number in such a populous  
place as this; and considering that the burgh of Edinburgh, Linlithgow,  
Perth, and most pairt of the remanent burghs of the nation, exime their  
inhabitants of the supplicants employment upon these heads, as all places  
abroad doe; secondly, besides these heads the petitioners are priviledged  
with these immunities by ane particular gift in favours of them and their  
predicessors, be King James the Sixth, confirmed in parliament; and  
therefore craveing that the toun officers might be discharged to warne  
the petitioners to any weaponshawing, watching and warding that they  
may be free from trouble thereanent, conforme to the common practique  
of the nation and the petitioners particular and peculiar priviledge, as  
the said supplicatione bears. Which supplicatione being, upon the  
seventh of October instant, read in counsell, they recommended to the  
magistrats, dean of gild and deacon convenener to take the desyre thereof

to their consideratione and to report to the counsell their thoughts of the samen; conforme whereunto the saids magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener this day reported in counsell that it was their opinion that the chirurgeons and pharmacians of this burgh should be lyable to watchings and wardings and weaponshawings with the other inhabitants, in respect that they are incorporate with the barbers in a deaconrie, by the magistrats and toun counsell, upon their joynt applicatione in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and fifty six years, and that by their burges oath they are bound to all taxations, watchings and wardings to be laid upon this burgh and to willingly bear their part thereof, as they are commanded by the magistrats thereto, and not to purchase nor use exemptions to be free of the samen, the benefite wherof they renunce; as also in respect that they keep shops and oppen trafique of trade and take prentices who by their apprenticeship have the priviledge of burges and gildbrother as weell as any other prentices of merchants or trades. Which report abovewritten being this day heard and considered be the magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves therof and (for the causes forsaid and others) doe find and declare that the chirurgeons and pharmacians of this burgh are lyable to the watchings and wardings and weaponshawings with the other inhabitants, when requyred and commanded thereto be the magistrats; and appoynts the magistrats present and to come to see performance accordingly.

[Notwithstanding that by an act dated 5th April, 1701, the magistrats and council recalled a former act in favour of Robert Whittingdale, teacher of arithmetick, book keeping, navigation, etc., "for his encouragement to reside and teach in this burgh," yet they now ordained him to be paid an allowance of £80, yearly, "for his said encouragement," during their pleasure.]

Appoynts the councell to meet on Munday nixt, att ten of the clock in the forenoon, att the clerks chamber, that from thence they may repair to the Gorbals and there settle there baillie as use is.

20 January 1705.

The magistrats and toun counsell appoynts Andrew Orr, sone to umquhill John Orr, merchant, to keep the record of the deceased within this burgh, commensing frae the first of Janvary instant and thereafter

Orr, keeper  
of the record  
of the dead.

during the counsells pleasure, and appoynts the master of wark and his successors in office to pay him fourteen shillings Scotts weekly as his sellarie.

*27 January 1705.*

Officers appointed for the fencible men of Gorbals.

The magistrats and tounè counsell doe nominat and appoynt Michael Coulter, baillie of Gorbals, and Thomas Gemmill, hammerman there, to be captains, David Fergusson and James Cuthbertsone, there, to be lieutenants, and Robert Speir and David Snodgrass, there, to be ensignes of the fencible men in Gorbals, and appoynts the said Michael Coulter, baillie, to give advertisement hereof to the other persons particularly abovenamed, and to draw out the said fencible men att such tymes as may be convenient for exercising and disciplining the said fencible men according to act of parliament.

Warrant, James Ellis.

Ordaines John Paull, thesaurer, to pay to James Ellis, musicianer in this burgh, ten merks Scotts yet resting to him (the tyme of James Coulter his being thesaurer) of his sellarie for precenting on the week dayes sermons.

*17 March 1705.*

Agreement with Andrew Whyte for keeping the tounes wells.

The magistrats and tounè counsell conveened, John Aird, younger, dean of gild, produced before them ane mutuall agreement past betuixt him in name of the tounè counsell and Andrew Whyte, hammerman, whereby the said Andrew is bound to keep the ten water wells belonging to this burgh within and without the ports thereof in a sufficient condition, in chains, bucketts, sheaves and others, and to lock and open the wells evening and morning in due tyme, and to furnish the four wells called the Four Sisters, with the Lady well, with iron ladles, and to cleanse, muck and keep clean the saids wells for fyve years after Candlemes last, and the said Andrew acknowledges the saids wells and graith thereof to be in a sufficient condition, and that he shall leave them so and furnish them with locks and iron bands during the said space, and is bound to the saids performances under the pain of a hundered pounds Scotts, and on the other pairt the said John Aird is bound that the present thesaurer and his successors shall pay to the said Andrew four hundered merks Scotts, yearly, during the said fyve years . . . in manner more fully exprest in the said agreement, which is dated the threttine day of February

last; which aggreement being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves thereof, and ordaines John Paull, thesaurer, and [his successors in office to make payment of said salary].

5 June 1705.

[Mills, 7,100 merks; ladles, 4,700 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,320 merks; Common good Tron, 1,120 merks; bridge, 1,920 merks; Broomielaw crane, 680 merks; fish-set market, 105 merks.]

25 September 1705.

[The provost and others reported their diligence at Edinburgh in various Report anent affairs, including the "procureing ane Gift to this toun, from the last session of obtaining of parliament, of two pennys on the pynt which they had obtained with great pains, the touns diligence and expenssis; which being heard and considered be the magistrats and two pennys on the pynt counsell, they approved and hereby approves of the saids reporters their manadge and otherment, and gave them their hearty thanks for their care and diligence." The act of wayes. parliament, containing the gift of "two pennys on the pynt" for sixteen years from 1st November, 1706, was produced and recorded in the Council Book.<sup>1</sup>]

28 September 1705.

[Ordaines the treasurer to pay to Alexander Finlayson, writer in Edinburgh, Warrant for the town's agent, £1159 14 s. 2 d. Scots, disbursed by him upon the town's account, Alexander since 1st October 1704, including £311 14 s. "for a decreit obtained against the feuars of Port Glasgow, for their pairt of their ministers stipend, with diligences following thereon; and some diligences against the fewars of Gorbals; and for printing representations to the convention of burrows and to the members of parliament anent the tounes condition and state." Finlayson.]

1 October 1705.

Ordaines John Paull, thesaurer, to pay to Hugh Montgomerie of Hugh Mont-Busbie, late provest of this burgh, [£1,070] Scotts money, whereof [£364] montgomerie, late provest, as his ordinary expenssis in attending the last session of parliament, as the tounes commissioner, being frae the third day of July to the twenty seventh of September both last, being eightie seven dayes at four pound per day, with horse hyres; and [£560] as his extraordinary expenssis and outgoings in procureing ane act of parliament continouing to the toun the two pennies on the pynt, for sixteen years after the first of November j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and six years, and tuo hundered pounds thereof as his extraordinary

<sup>1</sup> Printed in Glasg. Chart., II., pp 290-3.

expenssis in the session of parliament j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and four years, not charged be him then, in regaird the said act was not then obtained.

2 October 1705.

Election of provost and bailies. [John Aird, younger, provost; Robert Rodgers and William Dickie, of the merchants' rank, and George Buchanan, of the crafts' rank, bailies.]

5 October 1705.

Councillors chosen. [The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1705.

Dean of guild, etc. [John Bouman, dean of guild; George Robisoune, deacon convener; John Anderson, treasurer; John Brown, bailie of Gorbals; William Smith, water bailie; William Barclay, master of work; John Paull, visitor of maltmen; John Reid, visitor of gardeners; John Sym, procurator fiscal.]

13 October 1705.

Bread, tallow, candle. [The 12d. loaf to weigh 10 oz. 10 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 41s. Scots the stone, and candle for 48s. Scots the stone.]

16 November 1705.

Robert Campbell, townes agent. The magistrats and toun counsell nominats and appoynts Robert Campbell, writer to her Majesties signet, to be writer and agent for this burgh, in the rounge and place of Alexander Finlayson, writer, who is now one of the under clerks of sessione, and that during the counsell's pleasure.

5 January 1706.

Dean of gild to repair some calsies. The magistrats and toun counsell impowers and appoynts John Bouman, dean of gild, or any others of the counsell whom he thinks fitt to call to his assistance, to consider what reparations may be at present needfull upon the calsies in Bells wynd and without the West Port; and the magistrats and toun counsell considering what dammages the said calsie without the West Port has sustained in tyme bygone by the middingstedds on both sydes thereof, therefore appoynts the heretors or possessors there, or others to whom the saids middingsteads belong, to

remove the samen six elnes off the said calsie betuixt and the first of Aprile nixt, under the pain of twenty pounds Scotts to be exacted of each contraveener, and recommends to and appoynts the present magistrats or dean of gild to see the samen put to executione, and to their successors in office to see the samen observed in all tyme coming, under the like penalty *toties quoties*.

19 March 1706.

The magistrats and toun counsell have nominated and appoynted and hereby nominats and appoynts James Montgomerie, elder, merchant, to be jaylour and keeper of their tolbuith within this burgh, the said office being now vacant throw the decease of William Carmichaell, late jaylour thereof; with power to him to intromit with and uplift the dues and casualties belonging to the said office for his own behoove, on these termes and conditions allwayes, that the said James Montgomerie shall give sufficient band and cautione for his manadgeing and exercising the said office faithfully and honestly, and freeing this burgh of all hazard and skaith the same may sustain throw his default thereintill, and that betuixt and the fourth day of Aprile nixt to come, whereintill if he failyie this present act is hereby declared to be voyd and null, and it shall be leisum to the magistrats and toun counsell to appoynt any jaylour they shall think fitt; and in the mean tyme ordaines the said James Montgomerie to be put in possession of the said place presently till the said fourth day of Aprile, and to take his own band for keeping the toun skaithless till that tyme; and it is hereby declared that (notwithstanding of the said cautione to be found) this present act is only to continoue thereafter during the magistrats and counsell and their successors in office their will and pleasure.

14 May 1706.

The magistrats and toun counsell, takeing to their consideratione that the new church of this burgh, and south quarter belonging thereto, has been vacant since the decease of Mr. David Broun, minister thereof, and that the presbitry of Glasgow, att their meeting on the first of May instant, did give their concurrance and approbatione to the inviteing of Mr. John M'Bride, minister of the presbeterian congregation in Bellfast

Mr. John  
M'Bride to  
supplee the  
vacancy of the  
new church.

in Ireland, now resideing in this burgh, to supplée the said vacancy dureing his abode here and the said vacancy, and that the said Mr. John M'Bride being conforme to the appoyntment of the said presbitry, invited thereunto, has accepted of the samen and entered accordingly, and the magistrats and toun counsell being satisfied with the said presbitrys proceeding, therefore they hereby enact and obleidge themselves and their successors in office for payment to him of the ordinary stipend proportionably dureing his suppleeing of the said vacancy and the will and pleasure of the magistrats and toun counsell, the said yearly stipend being ane thousand and eighty pounds Scotts and commensing from the first day of May instant.

4 June 1706.

Common good set. [Mills, 5,600 merks; ladles, 4,550 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,320 merks; Tron, 1,110 merks; bridge, 1,800 merks; Broomielaw crane, 590 merks; fishmarket, 101 merks.]

11 June 1706.

Commissione to conventione of burrows. The magistrats and toun counsell doe nominat and appoynt John Aird, provost of this burgh, to attend the generall conventione of the royall burrous to meet att Edinburgh the first Tuesday of July nixt, being the second day of the said moneth, conforme to the burrow missive direct thereanent, and appoynts John Bouman, dean of gild of this burgh, and Thomas Hamilton, late deacon conveener thereof, to be assessors to him, and any of them to supplée the provests rounge and place in his absence: . . . also impouers the provest to call for any others of the counsell he pleases for his assistance at the said conventione.<sup>1</sup>

6 September 1706.

Act of the royall burrous read. The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, John Aird, provest, produced in presence of the counsell ane act of the last generall conventione of the royall burrous holden att Edinburgh the eight day of July last, anent debates that doe happen in royall burrous and for the better composeing and agreeing such differences and debates, as is particularly

<sup>1</sup> To this convention the burgh of Glasgow held in the following year granted the petitioners 2,000 merks (Glasg. Chart., II., p. 426, Nos. 1014-5).



express in the said act, which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun counsell they appoynted and hereby appoynts the samen to be insert in the principall counsell book to the effect specified in the said act whereof the tenor followes:—The convention considering that frequent debates doe happen within severall burghs, both in relatione to the manadgement of their common good and as to the way and manner of their electione of their magistrats and deacons of crafts and other office-bearers and management of their revenues, and anent their priviledges and incroachments thereon and other publict concernes, and how necessar and convenient it would be that, conforme to the power granted to the royall burrous by severall acts of parliament, all such differences and debates might be composed and agreed by the royall burrous or a committee of their number, without bringing the parties concerned to unecessar trouble and expence and to great heats and animosities within burgh, incaise the same cannot be agreed att home, therefore the conventione doe hereby ordaine all such differences and debates which shall for hereafter happen to arise either betuixt burghs or burgesses within burgh in relatione to the forsaid matters, to be first brought and tabled before them or a committee of their number, yearly to be appoynted to sitt att Edinburgh for that end, in order to be composed and agreed by their mediation, hereby declareing that whoever shall doe in the contrar hereof shall be reckoned disturbers of the peace of the burrous and contemners of their authority, and shall be fyned and otherwayes punished, as the conventione or committee shall think fitt, conform to law; and ordaines the extracts hereof to be transmitted to the severall burghs to be insert in their counsell bookes, to be read immediately after ilk annuall electione in presence of the haill magistrats and toun counsell, and ordaines each burgh to report to the nixt generall conventione their diligence herein by ane extract under their toun clerks hand.

The provest represented that there being for a considerable tyme Committee past diverse debates and difference betuixt the chirurgeons and barbers upon submis- of this burgh, though in one corporation (conforme to the letter of chirurgions deaconrie thereanent), both the parties had now submitted all their and barbers differences and debates to the magistrats and toun counsell, which being considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they have given

and hereby gives and grants pouer and commissione to the provest, baillies, John Anderson of Dowhill, late provest, the dean of gild, deacon conveneer, James Sloas, [and six others], or to any seven of them, to be a sufficient quorum, as a committee to meet with the saids parties, and to receive in from them their severall complaints each upon others and hear the hail debates and differences betuixt them and take the same to their due consideration, and to make their report of their judgement and opinion thereanent to the counsell that they may proceed therein and doe as they think just.

Straighting of  
park dyck in  
Provand  
betuix the  
toun and  
Hogginfeild.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that some considerable tyme agoe there being a park dyck abuilding betuixt the tounes lands of Riddrie in Provand and John Govane his lands of Hogginfeild, Robert Yuill, then baillie, and others, as a committee of the counsell, did strait the march where the said dyck should be builded in that part forsaid, sua that in straighting thereof there is some part of Hogginfeilds ground within the said parkdyck and some part of the touns without the samen upon Hogginfeilds syde, therefore the magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby declare that they ratife and approve of the said straighting, and declares the said dyck straighted as said is to be the true march in all tyme coming betuixt the tounes said lands and Hogginfeilds lands forsaid, and that what is taken off the tounes said lands to Hogginfeilds syde of the dyck does belong to Hogginfeild in all tyme coming, and appoynts the clerk to give him ane extract hereof, he allwayes first giving a wrytt under his hand containing the lyke declaratione in favours of this burgh as to the land taken off him inclosed within the said park.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
the provest.

[Ordned the treasurer to pay to the provest his expenses at Edinburgh in July last, including "expenssis in drawing and sending away the tounes adresse to her Majestie."]

1 October 1706.

Election of  
provest and  
baillies.

[John Aird, provest, James Coulter and Henry Smith, for the merchants' rank, and Thomas Hamilton, for the crafts' rank, bailies.]

4 October 1706.

Councillors  
chosen.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1706.

[John Bowman, dean of guild ; George Buchanan, deacon convener ; Matthew Dean of Gilmor, treasurer ; John Anderson, bailie of Gorbals ; William Thomsone, water guild, etc. bailie ; William Barclay, master of work ; John Paull, visitor of maltmen ; Andrew Somervell, visitor of gardeners ; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

12 October 1706.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 14 oz. 14 drops ; rough tallow to be sold for 39 s. Bread, tallow, Scots the stone and candle for 46 s. Scots the stone.] candle.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by the tack of Teynd tack the teynd of the lands of the Barrony paroch and burrow aikers granted duty and grassum to this burgh, there is the soume of four hundered and seventeen pound falling to the tuo shilling Scotts that falls to the proportione of the burrow aikers of this burgh, as their share and part of the soume of three thousand and nyne pounds of grassum and expenssis payable to this burgh, as also the soume of four hundered and seventy eight pound fourteen shilling as the said burrow aikers their share and proportione of the soume of three thousand four hundered and fifty pounds of teynd tack duty payable to this burgh, and in respect that the samen is not yet proportionat among the heretors of the said burrow aikers, therefore the magistrats and counsell recommends to the provest, baillies, [and others] to proportionat and cast on the samen upon the heretors of the said burrow aikers, effeiring and corresponding to the yearly bolls payable furth of the said burrow aikers, to the effect the magistrats and counsell may proceed to give tacks to the saids heretors thereof.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the tacksmen of Timber made the lands of Provan give in ane accompt of timber furnished be them for use of to the repairing and upholding of the houses in Provand lands, doe recommend Provand houses to Thomas Hamilton, baillie, [and others] to repair to the lands of Provand, and sight the timber made use of in repairing of the saids houses and take cognition what thereof has been applyed for needfull reparations and report their thoughts as to the value of the timber sua made use of to the councill.

25 October 1706.

Report anent  
proportiona-  
ting the  
burrow aikers  
share of teynd  
and grassum.

The provest, baillies, and others of the committee appoynted for proportionating and casting one of the share and proportione falling to the part of the burrow aikers of grassum, entry and expenssis and yearly teynd tackduty, upon the yearly bolls payable furth of the saids burrow aikers, conforme to a former act dated the tuelth of October instant, reported that they had taken tryall of the number of bolls payable furth of the burrow aikers of this burgh, and that conforme to ane accompt thereof the samen did extend to seven hundered nyntie seven bolls yearly, and that att ten shilling Scotts on each boll thereof of the grassum and expenssis would extend to three hundered nyntie eight pounds ten shilling, which the reporters judged should be dispensed with for ease to the burrow aikers, notwithstanding the samen was less then the four hundered and seventeen pound tuo shilling of grassum and expenssis payable be the saids burrow aikers, as their share and proportione thereof; as also that att twelve shilling Scotts on each of the forsaid bolls of teynd tack duty yearly, payable furth of the saids burrow aikers, the samen did extend to four hundered seventy eight pound four shiling, which was but ten shilling Scotts less then the yearly teynd tackduty payable be the saids burrow aikers as their share and proportione, and that it was the committees opinion that the magistrats and councill should appoynt some of their number and impower them to sett tacks to or otherwayes to enter in wrytt with the heretors of the saids burrow aikers whereby they may be bound for payment of the said ten shilling on each boll of grassum entery and expensses, and of the annualrent thereof since Martimass j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and four years and in tyme coming quhill payment; as also for payment of the said twelve shilling Scotts on each boll of teynd tack duty, yearly, since the commensing of the tounes tack of the teynd and in tyme coming dureing the samen, with penalty and annualrent after the yearly termes of payment thereof in caise of failye. Which report abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and councill, they approved and hereby approves thereof and hail contents of the samen, and hereby gives full power and commissione to the provest, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, and their successors in office, and to John Anderson, late provest, and James Sloas, late baillie, or to

any three of them, who are hereby declared to be a sufficient quorum, to sett tacks to or otherwayes to enter in wrytt with the heretors of the saids burrow aikers, whereby they may be bound for payment of the grassum entery and expenssis and teynd tack duty bygone and in tyme coming in manner contained in the forsaid report, and in the mean tyme allowes James Sloas, collector appoynted for uplifting of the saids teynds, to uplift the grassum entery and expensses and bygone teynd tack duty preceeding Martimes nixt, att which tyme there will be three years thereof resting.

18 November 1706.

The magistrats and toun councill being conveened, the representa-  
 tione underwritten was given in in councill be John Bouman, dean of <sup>Act and rules</sup> <sup>for keeping of</sup>  
 gild, and George Buchanan, deacon conveener of this burgh, whereof the <sup>peace.</sup>  
 tenor followes: — Unto the right honourable the provest, baillies and  
 councill of Glasgow, the representatione of the dean of gild and deacon  
 conveener of the said burgh and members of their respective ranks,  
 sheweth that where wee, taking to our serious consideratione the late  
 tumults and uproars that has been in this city, and the indignitys and  
 abuses done to the magistrats in the tumults, to the great scandall and  
 opprobry of the place, whereby the magistrats cannot in safety to their  
 persons officiat, nor the inhabitants be protected from injuries, by reason  
 of such tumults; and the merchant house haveing mett by themselves,  
 as also the deacons by themselves, by order of the deacon conveener  
 having mett their respective crafts in order to the considering of such  
 proposealls and overtures as may be found requisite to the keeping of the  
 peace in the city, secureing and protecting of the magistrats in the  
 exerciseing of their offices, and preventing of the like abuses in tyme  
 coming, the merchants rank did appoynt a committee for that effect, and  
 in pursuance thereof this day, being the sixteen of November j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and  
 six, the committee of merchants did meet with the deacons of crafts and  
 others of their number with them and have made the overtures and  
 proposealls following, to be presented to your lordship and councill to be  
 considered and your authority humbly craved to be interponed thereto,  
 vizt.:—

That the touns guard be ducly keeped, and that a wholle company

be mounted at once, and every master of a family if in health or upon the place be there in person himself sufficiently armed, or if unwell or not upon the place that his family send out a sufficient person for him, to the satisfaction of the captain of the guard, and that the guard be mounted every day att three in the afternoon, and to continue upon guard till the next day att the said tyme that they be releived, and that the drumm beat att tuo in the afternoon for the mounting of the guard, and that the company that falls to be on the guard meet altogether with their arms before three in the afternoon, att their captains quarters, and to march from thence in order to the guard, and that each upon the guard, whether merchants or trades, be subject to their officers upon the guard their orders and observe the same punctually.

And in regaird it was concluded by the severall deacons and their crafts that when any tumult arises in the city that a certain number of every trade should repair immediately to the guard, in order to compesce these tumults, therefore it is agreed betuixt both ranks that whatever merchants or trades, in caise of such disturbance, shall repair to the guard they shall be subject to the commanders of the guard whether they be merchants or trades.

That all women, boys, young men, and servants be strictly prohibited and discharged to be upon the streets after cloud of night, above what number together your lordship and counsell shall think fitt, and that if any tumult arise in the city that masters of familys be lyable for these in their houses found in these tumults.

That all masters of familys, also weell of private as of publict houses, give up the names of the strangers they harbour in their houses to the captain of the guard before ten of the clock att night.

That a proclamatione be sent throw the toune, with tuck of drumm, ordering the haill fencible men to be upon the Green in arms upon Munday nixt, being the eighteen of November j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and six. that publict intimatione be made to them of the above proposalls.

May it therefore please your lordship and counsell to consider the above proposalls and make ane act of your counsell approveing the samen, and to continue in force dureing such times as your lordship and counsell shall think fitt, under such penalties as may be found

requisite, and for that effect to call a counsell with all diligence; and wee promise to assist the magistrats in the exercise of their offices, as wee are all bound by our burges oath. Subscribed in our names and att our desyre by the dean of gild and deacon conveener. *Sic subscribitur* :— John Bouman. G: Buchanan.

Which representatione abovewritten, containing the overtures and proposalls as are above exprest, being this day read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell, the dean of gild represented that he having conveened in the merchants house the merchant rank they were very unanimous that methods be taken for safety of the magistrats of this burgh and preventing tumults therein for the future, and that in order thereunto they had appoynted a committee as is abovespecified; and the deacon conveener represented that the deacons having previously mett with their respective incorporations they were also unanimous for preserving of the magistracy and preventing of tumults as said is; and both the said dean of gild and deacon conveener represented that the committee of the merchants, and that the said deacons and others with them, having mett together as is specified in the forsaid representatione above insert, they were all unanimous therein; which representatione above ingroist, with what is verball abovewritten, represented be the dean of gild and deacon conveener, being heard and taken to mature consideration be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they approved and hereby approves of the said representatione and haill proposalls and overtures abovewritten therein contained and haill contents of the samen, and do prohibite and discharge all women, boys, young men and servants, above the number of three together, to be upon the streets after cloud of night; and ordaines the said overtures and proposalls to take effect, and be put in executione from the date hereof, dureing the magistrats and counsell of this burgh their pleasure, and as to the fynes and penalties referred be the saids proposalls and overtures the magistrats and toun counsell doe hereby appoynt fyve pounds Scotts to be exacted off each person contraveener of any article of the above proposalls *toties quoties*; and recommends to the magistrats instantly to cause beatt drumms that the haill fencible men of this burgh, be in armes att their respective captains quarters this day, at twelve of the clock, to march out att the

command of their respective officers to the New Green, that publick intimatione may be made to them of the above proposalls and overtures and the counccills approbatione thereof as is abovewritten.<sup>1</sup>

27 December 1706.

Warrands,  
thesaurer.

[Ordaines the treasurer to pay to (1) Thomas Hamilton, bailie £84 4 s. 6 d. Scots "as his expenses in going to Edinburgh and staying there seven dayes and returning home, with diverse other persons with him, upon the tounes affairs, in December instant;" and (2) James Coulter, bailie, £49 4 s. Scots "as his expenssis att Edinburgh and goeing thereto and returning therefrae, upon the touns affairs, for the space of sixteen dayes in December instant."]

20 January 1707.

Warrant,  
thesaurer,  
dragoons.

Ordaines Matthew Gilmor, thesaurer, to have allowance in his own hands of twenty one pound six shilling payed out be him, att the magistrats desyre, to a party of dragouns who were quartered upon this burgh for supplee and excyse.

Warrant for  
dean of gild  
and deacon  
conveener.

Ordaines Matthew Gilmor, thesaurer, to pay to John Bouman, dean of gild, fifty eight pound tuo shilling, Scotts money, as his expenssis in goeing to and returning from Edinburgh, in December last, and spent with the touns freinds there . . . [and] to George Buchanan, deacon conveener, fourty pound three shilling, Scotts money, as his with some of the deacons expenssis att and goeing to and returning from Edinburgh about the touns affairs in December last.

27 February 1707.

Warrant,  
thesaurer; for  
the provest.

Ordaines Matthew Gilmor, thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, provest, [£428 10 s. 8 d.], Scotts money, as the said provest his expenssis and charges att Edinburgh and elsewhere, upon the tounes accompt, . . . off which soume there is [£120 6 s. 8 d.] as his expenssis at Edinburgh. att the conventione of the royall burrous, from the twenty fifth of October to the nynth of November last, and tuo hundered and nyntie pounds

<sup>1</sup> For fuller particulars regarding the disturbances in Glasgow consequent on the promotion of the Treaty of Union, see Defoe's "History of the Union," extracts from which are printed in the 1830 edition of M'Ure's

"History of Glasgow," pp. 318-27; Historical MSS. Commission Report, XV., pt. iv. (Duke of Portland), pp. 352, *et seq.*; and "The Union of 1707," published by the proprietors of *Glasgow Herald* in 1907.



Scotts thereof as his ordinary and extraordinary expenssis att Edinburgh upon the touns accompt from the threttine day of November to the threttie day of January both last, and the remainder thereof, being eighteen pund four shilling, spent be him in the coffee house of Glasgow with the tounes freinds and att Kilmarnock with John Muir, late provest of Air, upon the tounes affairs.

Ordaines Matthew Gilmor, thesaurer, to have allowance in his oun Warrant, hands of [£148 10 s.],<sup>1</sup> Scotts money, payed out be him as the pryce of dragoons. corne and straw furnished to the dragouns horses when here in December last.

The magistrats and toun councill doe nominat and appoynt John Aird, Provost, commissioner to the next generall assembly of this church, indicted to meet att Edinburgh the eight day of Apprile nixt, or when and where it shall happen to sitt; willing him to repair thereto and attend all the dyets of the samen, and there to consult, vote and determine in all matters that come before them, to the glory of God and good of this church, according to the Word of God and Confession of Faith, and agreeable to the constitution of this church, as he will be answerable, and that he report his dilligence therein att his returne.

24 April 1707.

Ordaines Matthew Gilmor, thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, provest, Warrant, ane hundered seventy eight pounds Scotts money, as his ordinary and extraordinary expenssis att Edinburgh attending the duke of Queensberry, her Majesties commissioner to the last session of parliament, before he went away to London, and ordering severall of the touns affairs, and attending the generall assembly there, as commissioner for this burgh, being all for the space of twenty eight dayes preceeding the fifteen of Apprile instant, off which soumes his debursements in and about the tounes affairs extends to [£68 7 s. 6 d.], conforme to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

<sup>1</sup> On 24th April the provost reported that of this sum. the treasury had repaid £124 in full satisfaction

John Reid,  
burges and  
gild brother.

Appoynts the dean of gild and brethren to admitt John Reid, wright in this burgh, burges and gild brother thereof, as lafull sone to the deceast John Reid, wright in this burgh, his father, or he who served apprenticeship to John Paterson, wright, late baillie, in the said John Reid his optione, and remitt his fynes in respect that about the late happy Revolutione the said umquhill John Reid, his father, was killed when commanding a rout of the tounes guard and keeping the peace of the burgh.

Report be the  
provest, pay-  
ments to  
Walkinshaws  
and others.

[Referring to the bonds granted in 1704 in connection with the application by the magistrates and council for a "gift of tuo pennies on the pynt<sup>1</sup>"] John Aird, provest, reported that the said gift not being obtained in that session of parliament, and John Anderson [of Dowhill, then provost] and John Bowman, now dean of gild, then ane of the baillies, being at Edinburgh in September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and fyve attending the then session of parliament, in order to the obtaining of the said gift, and the saids two bands formerly granted being become voyd by the gift not being obtained in the said former session of parliament, and the like obstructions then also offering, the said then provest and baillie were oblidged (upon cancelling of the saids tuo former bands) to give two new bands to the persons and in the termes and for the causes as was contained in the saids tuo former bands and mentioned in the said former act, and which two bands last granted having taken effect by the touns obtaining of the said gift and there being a condition in the said band granted to James and William Walkinshaw, John Grahame, George Lockhart, Daniel Campbell and William Woddrop that the soumes to be paid to them should be modified be the said John Grahame not exceeding six thousand pound Scotts money, as is specified in the said former act, the provest reported that in March last he mett with the said John Grahame, who had modified the said soume to fyve thousand pounds Scotts, which soume with the three hundered pound sterling in Coline Bells band were both now satisfied and payed.

Money,  
thesaurer.

[Ordned the treasurer to allow to Robert Wotherspoon] two hundred pound of ane old accompt resting be the toun to the said Robert for corn and hay furnished be him to some Danish troops quartered here in their way towards Ireland the tyme of the late Revolution.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 384-7.

## 8 May 1707.

Ordaines Matthew Gilmour, thesaurer, to make payment to Hugh Warrant, thesaurer, for Montgomery of Busbie, late provest, of the soume of seven hundered and eight pound twelve shilling, Scotts money, whereof six hundered thretty six pound as his charges and expensses att Edinburgh in attending the late session of parliament, as commissioner for this burgh, for ane hundered fifty nyne dayes, being from the eight of October j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and six to the fifteen of March j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and seven inclusive, at four pound per diem, and fourty two pound twelve shilling thereof for remitting the minutes of parliament to the magistrats, and the remainder of the saids soumes for the hyres of horses to and from Edinburgh, conforme to a particular accompt thereof revised by the dean of gild.

## 29 May 1707.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that Robert Campbell, Warrant for writer to the signet, the touns agent, is frequently taken up with many William Caddell. and important afairs, and that William Caddell, writer, who writes under him, has been and may be usefull in being assisting in the touns afairs while the said Robert Campbell is so necessarily diverted, therefor the magistrats and toun councill appoynts the present thesaurer and his successors in office to pay yearly to the said William Caddell two guineas upon the consideration forsaid, commenseing frae Michaelmess last, and to continue yearly in tyme coming during the magistrats and councill their pleasure.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the agreed pryce Act in favours of the piece of John Bowman, dean of gild, his yeard, which was taken of John Bowman, buriall place. in to the new church yeard for enlarging thereof, was ane hundered pounds Scotts, and the buriall place afterspecifeit in the said church yeard, and that the said John Bowman is payed of the said ane hundered pounds as being ane article of his discharge in his thesaurer accompt, but has not yet gotten right to the buriall place, therefor the magistrats and toun councill ordaines and appoynts that buriall place number twenty, upon the south dyck faceing to the east, consisting of eight foot and ane half of breadth, south and north, and twelve foot of length, east and west, as the samen is marched and divyded with the pillars in the

said kirk yeard dyck, on which the said John Bowman has a priveledge of ane door, and bounded with the church yeard dyck on the west, the buriall place of Gilbert Buchanan, number nynteen, on the south, the buriall place, number 21, of William Dickie, on the north, and the kirk yeard on the east parts, to appertain and belong to the said John Bowman, his heirs and assigneys, in all tyme coming.

3 June 1707.

Common good set. [Mills, 6,150 merks; ladles, 4,410 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,320 merks; Tron, 1,500 merks; Broomielaw crane, 2,270; fishmarket, 100 merks.]

28 June 1707.

John Airds  
few duty in  
Goosedubbs  
discharged.

The magistrats and toun councill, takeing to their consideration that John Aird, provest of this burgh, and John Aird, elder, his father, have pertaining to them, in fie and liferent, that tenement of land which belonged to umquhill John Dennie, lyand near the bridge in the Goose dibbs, which payes yearly ten marks Scotts of few duty to this burgh, and that there are severall other too-falls, jambs, houses and stables builded by them adjacent to the said tenement, the ground whereof was fewed by this burgh to them in severall persalls at severall tymes, the fewduty whereof being tuo merks in haill, extending in haill to eight pound yearly of fewduty payeable be them to the said burgh; as also takeing to consideration that the said provest and his said father have done and performed severall services to this burgh, their expenssis of some of which services were not charged be them upon this burgh as is nottour; therefore the saids magistrats and toun councill doe not only hereby exoner and discharge the saids John Airds, elder and younger, of the said eight pounds of fewduty payeable out of the forsaid lands of all years and termes bygone restand owand unpaid but also renunces and discharges the said fewduty for all tyme hereafter, and hereby declare the saids lands and others forsaid to be quyt and free of the samen in all tyme coming.

25 July 1707.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
John Aird,  
provest.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, provest, [£170 6 s. 8 d.] Scotts, as his personall charges at Edinburgh at the late

convention of the royall burrows, for the space of eighteen dayes, and for treating of severall of the touns freinds, and other charges there.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane fewright to John Anderson, in Moor of Gorballs, and Agnes Watson, his spouse, whereby for the soume of ane hundered pound Scotts payed be them to John M'Gilchrist, collector of the touns fewduties in Gorballs, and other causes therein specifeit, the saids magistrats and councill disposes in few ferme to the saids spouses, for her liferent use alenerly, these four aikers and ane half of land or thereby, with houses, biggings, yeards and others builded thereon, lyand in Moor of Gorballs, as the samen are presently possess be the saids spoussis, and lying discontigue in the said moor, for the yearly fewduty of twenty tuo pounds Scotts money . . . and to answer to the Gorbhall courts and releive the toun of the publict burdens, and to grind their haill grindable cornes growing on the saids lands at the touns milnes, paying the dues as burgesses payes, and reserving to the toun coall and lymestone, if any be, and other clauses in the said fewright; and the saids magistrats and toun councill ordaines the said John M'Gilchrist to pay in the said one hundered pounds to James Sloss, late baillie, preceptor of Hutchiesons Hospital.

13 August 1707.

Ordaines John Anderson, late thesaurer, to have allowance in his own hands of sixty pounds Scotts, depursed be him at the magistrats desyre for helping to build ane bridge upon the burn called (*blank*) betuixt the Blawart hill and Yoker, the burn being dangerous and the bridge commodious for the merchands and inhabitants of this burgh who have frequent repair that way; as also the magistrats being earnestly desyred thereto by my Lord Pollok, the touns good friend.

30 August 1707.

The baillies and toun councill, as proprietors in the Indian and Affrican Company, there joynt stock for three thousand pounds sterling money subscription, have subscribed ane commission to John Aird, provest, and John Bouman, dean of gild, or any of them, to receive from the commissioners of the Æquivalent, or their order, one thousand eight

hundered and twelve pounds, sterling money, due to this burgh for the severall payments made on the said subscription and annualrents of the samen to the first of May last.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to have allowance in his own hands of four pounds, sterling money, which by the magistrats order was divided among the souldiers of the second battalian of her Majesties foot guards now in this burgh, for their good service at the late accidental fire near the cross.

16 September 1707.

The touns  
part of the  
African and  
Indian joynt  
stock.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, John Aird, provest, represented that, conform to a commission granted be the magistrats and toun councill to him daited the thirty day of August last, for receiving from the commissioners of the Æquivalent one thousand eight hundered and twelve pounds, sterling, due to this burgh for the severall payments made upon the burghs subscription of three thousand pounds sterling in the bookes of the Indian and Affrican Company of Scotland, includeing the annualrents of the same to the first of May last, he had received the said soume of one thousand eight hundered and twelve pound, sterling; and also had received [£302 15 s. 7½ d.], sterling, as this burghs proportion of the royall burrows their subscription of three thousand pounds sterling in the said companies bookes, which, according to fifteen pounds, as being then this burghs proportion of the burrow taxt roll at the tyme of the subscription; and farder represented that he had given his receipt to the commissioners of the Equivalent for the said first soume, conforme to the said commission, and ane other receipt to the agent of the royall burrows for the said other soume, extending both soumes received by him as said is to [£2,114 15 s. 7½ d.], sterling money; and that acordingly he had safely brought home the saids soumes and had placed the samen, by subdivisions, in severall houses, of which he had given ane particular accompt and list to Mathew Gilmour. Which representation abovewriten being heard and considered by the saids magistrats and toun councill, they approved and hereby approves thereof and of the provests manadgement thereanent, and exoners the provest of his saids intromissions, and enacts and oblidges them and their successors in office to warrant and skaithless keep him and his of all

damage they can sustain hereafter through his giving the tuo receipts abovementioned, and appoints the said thesaurer to be charged with the saids soumes; and the magistrats to cause the thesaurer to give advertisement to whom of the touns creditors they think fitt for receiving the principall soumes and annualrents due to them in so far as the saids soumes received as said is will extend.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, provest, <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, for the provest.</sup> [£201 1 s. 2 d.], Scotts money, whereof there is [£20 6 s. 8 d.] as his expenssis at Irvine, by appointment of the royall burrows, and at Kilmarnock meeting with the provest of Air, and [£180 14 s. 6 d.] as his expenssis and some depursments at Edinburgh at a meeting of a committee of the burrows and waiting upon receiving of the touns proportion of the Affrican Companies quota of the Equivalent, for the space of fourteen dayes.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to have allowance in his own <sup>Warrant, thesaurer, bridge.</sup> hand of the soume of six pounds, sterling, depursed by him, at the desyre of the magistrats, for building a bridge at the west end of the Old Green, on the north syde therof.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren . . . to admitt Robert <sup>Burgesses and gild brethren; fire.</sup> Reid, wright, son to Robert Reid, wright, William Coatts, tanner, Francis Rosse, wright, Robert and Alexander Mabanes, wrights, sones to the deceist Alexander Mabane, wright, all burgesses and gild bretheren of this burgh, and remitt their fynes and hold them as payed, for the good service done and performed by them at the late accidentall fire near the cross at the head of the Gallowgate.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, John Aird, provest, [and <sup>Act determining the differences betuixt chyrurgeons and barbers.</sup> others] as a committee appointed for hearing and considering the debates and differences betuixt the chyrurgeons and barbers of this burgh and reporting their judgment and oppinion to the toun councill thereanent, conform to ane act of the magistrats and toun councill daited the sixth day of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and six years, represented and reported that the chyrurgeons and barbers of this burgh, being in the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and fifty six years, upon their joynt application, erected in ane deaconry be the magistrats and councill of this burgh,<sup>1</sup> diverse debates and differences

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Rec., II., pp. 341-4.

within these few years bygone arisen betuixt the saids chyrurgeons and barbers, which differences being in the year j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and four been brought in a suplication from the barbers before the then magistrats and toun councill they, by their act dated the eight day of May the said year, did give their oppinion and judgment as to some few particulars but brought not the saids differences to a full determination, as is contained in the said act,<sup>1</sup> and that thereafter the saids debates and differences continueing betuixt the saids tuo parties, both of them of late did submitt the determination of the samen to the magistrats and toun councill, whereupon the saids magistrats and toun councill, by their said act in September last, gave power and commission to the reporters, or seven of them to be a sufficient quorum, to meet with the saids parties and receive in from them their severall complaints each upon others, and hear the haill debates and differences betuixt them, and to take the same to due consideration and make report of their judgment thereanent to the councill, that they might proceed therein and doe as they think just; and further represented and reported that conform to the said commission the reporters had conveyened both parties before them and had received in wryte ane representation given in to them by the barbers against the chyrurgeons, containing the particular grievances of which they crave to be redressed, which being given out to the chyrurgeons they returned the same with their answers thereto, and the answers being given out to the barbers, they also gave in replies to the samen, as also there was produced before the reporters the coppie of their letter of deaconry, and that the saids reporters as having commission as said is having taken full consideration of the whole matter, it was the reporters oppinion and judgment that the magistrats and toun councill should find and declare as followes, viz., Imprimis, that the whole qualified barbers should, with the qualified chyrurgeons, have free access to vote for ane chyrurgeon deacon for visitor, conform to their letter of deaconry. Secondly, that the visitor or deacon choyse his own three masters. That the trades three masters be elected and chosen by pole out of the whole trade, one after another, and no lites is to be made at their election. Thirdly, that the collector to the trade be year about ane

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 376-80.



chyrurgeon [and ane] barber, *per vices*, who is to be chosen by the hail trade. Fourthly, that there be alwayes ane chyrurgeon and ane barber box masters. Fifthly, that the trade have four quarterly meetings in the year, conform to the custom of other trades, and that the whole trade be lawfully warned to the saids meetings and to the collectors compt makeing, election of any office bearers, to makeing any acts of the trade, and when any weighty emergent falls out in relation to the affairs of the trade, and that the whole trade be lawfully warned thereto as said is to one particular dyet. Sixthly, that a physician preces is or can be noe member of the trade and can neither sitt nor vote therein and that the visitor doe only precide conform to the letter of deaconry. Seventhly, that the hail barbers that are now unentered and qualified to enter shall have free access to enter from the date of their practising, and to have their prentices booked from the date of their indentures. Eightly, as to the number, kind or qualities of the trade, viz., of the chyrurgeons and barbers that should be members of the conveeners house, in caise that at any tyme hereafter the said trade be reunited to the conveeners house, that when the said reuniting does exist that it be in the power of the visitor or deacon to nominat the members of the trade to fill the conveeners house in the same manner as the visitor or deacon was in use to doe when the trade was united to the conveeners house. Ninthly, that as to the barbers being reimbursed of their expenssis and charges debursed by them since the difference arose betuixt them and the chyrurgeons, in respect that the chyrurgeons have acknowledged that what expenssis they were at in reference to the plea betuixt them and the barbers the samen was paid out of the publict stock of the trade, that therefor the barbers ought and should have their just expenssis and charges reimbursed to them out of the publict stock of the trade also, and that at the sight of the magistrats who were to cognosce upon the justness and verriety of the said accompt of expenssis. Tenthly, that the barbers have and shall have no interest to the tryall of the qualifications of the chyrurgeons, or in any faults committed be the saids chyrurgeons in the exercise of their imployment as such, and that what priviledges are in favours of the barbers are alwayes but prejudice to the liberties and priviledges of the chyrurgeons granted to them by their gift from King James the Sixth.

Eleventhly, that all former acts of the trade contrar to and not agreeable with what is abovewritten and to the letter of deaconry, be voyd and null and have no effect in all tyme hereafter. Which representation and report abovewritten being heard and maturely considered by the saids magistrats and toun council, they not only as arbitrators nominat by the saids chyrurgeons and barbers as said is, but also as their superiors and having power to determin in all such differences and debates that may arise in and among incorporations of this burgh, doe hereby ratifie and approve the hail forsaid report and oppinion of the said committee, and hail points and articles of the samen, as they are above insert, and have interponed and hereby interpone their authority thereunto, and find, declare and decern that the articles abovewritten shall be binding upon each party of the saids chyrurgeons and barbers incorporat by the said letter of deaconry as said is, and shall be inviolably obeyed and observed by them in all tyme hereafter.

18 September 1707.

Warrant for  
William  
Dickie.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to pay to William Dickie, late baillie, fourty three pounds four shilling Scotts, for paper and binding of bookes for the touns use from the eight of March last inclusive.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
wine.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to pay to the persons respective afternamed the respective soumes afterspecificit, ilk ane of them for their own parts, as is after divided, viz., Imprimis, to Thomas Peter, merchant, [£222 4 s. 4 d.] Scotts, as the pryce of ane hodgehead and ane tearce of claret wine furnished by him for the use of the communion elements in Aprile last, at two hundered merks per hodgehead; item, to John Bowman, dean of gild, four hundered merks Scotts, as the pryce of tuo hodgeheads of claret wine; item, to Robert Yuill, merchant, two hundered merks; item, to Henry Smith, baillie, two hundered merks; item, to Robert Rodger, merchant, two hundered merks; item, to Hugh Campbell, skipper, two hundered merks, Scotts, as the pryce of ane hodgehead of wine furnished be each of the four last persons abovenamed, and which with the saids two hodgeheads furnished by John Bowman, being in all six hodgeheads, were given to the touns freinds, conform to a particular accompt revised be the dean of gild.

The magistrats and toun consell, considering that the house lately <sup>New milne</sup> possest by (*blank*) Donaldson belongs to the new milne, and that she has <sup>and house</sup> been dispossessed thereof leaving the house ruinous, and that Francis Wark, now milner of the said milne, has made reparations upon the house and some reparations upon the milne, therefore appoints that the dean of gild and deacon conveyer, or any others whom they think fitt to call to their assistance, to visite the said house and milne and take the reparations to their consideration and make their report thereanent to the councill, and appoints the said house lately possest as said is to remain with the said Francis Wark during his tack of the milne.

Grants and allows that Jean Hall, late servitrix to the laird of Jean Hall, Dunniepace, now residenter in this burgh, shall have a full and free <sup>benefite of</sup> liberty of trade and traffique within this burgh during her lifetyme, as <sup>ane burges</sup> burgesses and gild-bretheren of this burgh doe enjoy, she allwayes <sup>and gild-</sup> behaving herself as becometh, and that at the speciall desyre of his grace the duke of Montrose, the touns good freind.

Ordaines and appoynts that ane yearly pension of ane hundred <sup>Pension to</sup> pounds Scotts be payed to Mr. James Muir for his encouragment in <sup>Mr. James</sup> teaching the knowledge and art of mathematicks and navigation in this burgh, and that the said yearly pension be payed quarterly be the toun thesaurers, commensing from the first of November nixt, and to continue only during the magistrats and counccills pleasure.

26 September 1707.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to pay to John Bowman, dean of Warrands, gild [£62 4 s. 6 d.], Scotts money, as his expenssis and depursements at <sup>Affrican</sup> Edinburgh attending the provest in receiving the touns part of the <sup>money.</sup> Affrican money, from the first to the tenth of September instant; [also, £20 Scotts] to James Littlejohn, carrier, for bringing home from Edinburgh the touns part of the Affrican money.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, thesaurer, to pay to John Paull, late <sup>Warrant for</sup> thesaurer [£109 14 s.], Scotts money, as lost to him by the falling of the <sup>John Paull.</sup> rates of the guineas belonging to the toun at or about the tyme of the fitting of his thesaurer accompt.

James Mont-  
gomery,  
jaylor, band  
produced.

The clerk represented that [as appointed by the magistrates and council on 19 March 1706<sup>1</sup> and subsequently, James Montgomerie, jaylor, had given into him] ane band made and subscribed by him as principall and the lord Blantyre and Mr. John Montgomery, younger of Giffin as his cautioners, conjunctly and severallie, for the said James Montgomerie his fidelity and freeing of the burgh of all hazard they may sustain through his default in his office.

A fewduty in  
Moor of  
Gorballs,  
Hutchisons  
Hospitall.

The magistrats and toun councill declares that, notwithstanding by the few right granted by the magistrats and toun councill to John Anderson in Moor of Gorballs of four aikers of land, with houses thereupon in the said moor, the twenty two pounds of yearly fewduty be payeable by the said right to the toun as is mentioned in a former act daited the twenty fifth day of Jully last, that yet nevertheless the said yearly fewduty shall be continued with and payeable to Hutchisons Hospitall, as a part of said Hospitalls interest in the lands of Gorballs, there being no diminution by the fewright of the former rent, but prejudice allwayes to the toun of the compositions to be due and payeable hereafter for entring of the heirs and singular successors to the saids lands.

Mr. John  
M'Bride,  
burges and  
gildbrother.

Appoints the dean of gild and his bretheren to admitt Mr. John M'Bride, minister of the gospell in Glasgow, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, and remitt his fines and hold them as payed.

Henry  
Chester,  
burges and  
gildbrother.

Appoints the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Henry Chester, pinmaker, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, as he who is married to Christine King, daughter lafull to Thomas King, taylor, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed at the desyre of Henry Smith, ane of the baillies of this burgh.

Complaint  
against Mr.  
William  
Marshall,  
doctor of the  
Grammer  
Schooll.

There was ane supplication given in, subscribed by a considerable number of the inhabitants of this burgh and read in their presence, complaining of the unfittness and incapacity of Mr. William Marshall, ane of the doctors of the Grammer Schooll, for teaching, and of the prejudice that the inhabitants children receive thereby, and craveing remeid thereto and that the councill would provide the schooll with a doctor fitt for the said trust; which being considered by the saids magistrats and councill they remitted and hereby remitt to Thomas Hamilton, baillie, [and others]

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 393.

to make inquiry anent the matter represented and make report thereof and of their oppinion thereanent to the councill.

30 *September* 1707.

[Robert Rodger, provost ; John Bowman and Thomas Smith, of the merchants' rank, and John Brown, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

3 *October* 1707.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceeding years, with persons chosen to Councillor supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

8 *October* 1707.

[Thomas Peter, dean of guild ; George Buchanan, deacon conveyener ; Thomas Dean of Thomson, treasurer ; Thomas Baxter, bailie of Gorbals ; Hugh Wardin, water guild, etc. bailie ; Patrick Cree, master of work ; John Miller, visitor of maltmen ; Andrew Somervell, visitor of gardeners ; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

11 *October* 1707.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, and this being the nixt Act of the councill day after the haill elections for the year ensueing, the act of the royall burrows read. generall convention of the royall burrows holden at Edinburgh upon the eight day of Jully j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and six years, anent the debates that doe happen in royall burrows and the better composing and aggreeing thereof, appointed by a former act of the magistrats and toun councill, daited the sixth of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and six years, to be insert in the principall councill book and which accordingly is insert therein,<sup>1</sup> was read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill, conform to the said act of the generall convention of burrows ; after reading whereof John Anderson of Dowhill, late provest, one of the councill, protested against the said act of the generall convention of royall burrows as being against the priveledge and interest of the royall burghs, and thereupon took instruments in the clerks hands.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 394-5.

Bread, tallow, candle. [The 12 d. loaf to weigh 14 oz., and the 6 d. loaf to weigh 7 oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 40 s. Scots the stone; and candle 46 s. 8 d. Scots the stone.]

Act for preventing of unsufficient wheat bread. The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the wheat bread made and sold within this burgh now and for some tyme bygone neither is nor has been sufficient, and that when the magistrats and others have complained of the same to the deacon and some others of the baxters, they did excuse themselves with this pretence that there were severall of the baxters who were poor that were guilty of making of bad bread, and because of their poor condition the trade had more difficulty to deall with them, therefore and for preventing of the like abuses in tyme coming, the magistrats and toun councill recomends to John Brown, trades baillie, and to George Buchanan, deacon conveener, to meet with the saids baxters trade and see that it be enacted in the said trades bookes that whatsoever baxter within this burgh shall for the future make insufficient bread shall be deprived of their excercising any manner of way that trade in tyme coming.

Act against two candle-makers.

The magistrats and toun councill, having by their act of the date hereof statuted and appointed the pryces of tallow and candle within this burgh for the year ensuing, and having called in the candle-makers and intimat the same to them, and Michael Smith, Archibald Allason, and diverse others of the candlemakers being there present, the said Michael Smith did in presence of councill, in a rude and unbecoming way, say that he would not obey the said statutes; and the said Archibald Allason did also, in presence as said is, say that he would elide the saids statutes and goe and live in the Gorballs and there make candle and sell them in this burgh and buy his tallow elsewhere then from the fleshers of this burgh; which being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they fand and hereby finds the saids Michael Smith and Archibald Allason their words and carriage forsaid to be most rude and unbecoming, and therefore recomends to the magistrats to secure them in ward untill either they engadge to obey the saids statutes or to give over makeing of candle in this burgh for the future.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> On 13th November Smith and Allason tounes statutes anent tallow and candle." gave bonds "for their giving obedience to the

20 October 1707.

The magistrats and toun councill doe nominat and appoint Robert Rodger, provest of this burgh, to attend the generall convention of the burrows, to meet at Edinburgh the eighteen day of November nixt for deliberating upon the severall branches of the trade of the nation, and what methods may be fitt to be taken for encouragment of the samen. Commissioner to convention of royall burrows.

Ordaines Mathew Gilmour, late thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, late provest, [£100 2 s.] Scotts money, expended be him at Edinburgh, from the seventh to the seventeenth of October instant, at a committee of the royall burrows and takeing in the touns foreign coyn to the bank and getting the same exchanged, whereof fifty eight pounds for his own charges and the remainder for charges to servants and horse meat. Warrant for provest Aird.

18 December 1707.

The magistrats and toun councill rescinds and recalls tuo former acts of the toun councill, the one therof for establishing Mr. William Marshall second doctor, and the other for Mr. John Walker, third doctor of the Grammar School of this burgh, and hereby nominats and appoints Mr. Andrew Lylle, schoolmaster in Bathgate, second doctor of the said school in place of the said Mr. William Marshall, and appoints Mr. George Skirvin, rector of the said Grammar Schooll, to wryte to the said Mr. Andrew theranent; and thir presents to be but prejudice of the thesaurers paying to Mr. John Walker the sallary that falls due to him till Candlemes nixt. Grammar Schooll.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt George Swan, hammerman in Gorballs, burges of this burgh, at the desyre of his grace the duke of Montrose, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed. George Swan, burges.

5 January 1708.

The magistrats and toun councill, takeing to their consideration that by the act of parliament in favours of this burgh for their imposition of tuo pennies on the pynt, daited the twenty first day of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and fyve years, the magistrats of this burgh are obliged to instruct their payment of ten thousand merks of the touns debts to the tuo houses and ranks of merchands and trades of this burgh, against the morrow, Touns payment of 10,000 merks conform to act of parliament.

being the first Tuesday of January instant, being for the first year of the said imposition preceeding November last j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and seven years, in manner specified in the said act, and that conform thereunto payment has been made of ten thousand merks of principall summs contained in the list of the touns debts (not only recorded in the toun councill bookes but in the bookes of the saids tuo houses), viz., to Alexander Muir, merchant in Kilmarnock, four thousand merks of principall due by band daited the tuenty seventh of November j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nynty seven years, and to Claud Alexander of Newtoun, six thousand merks of principall, by band daited the second of December j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and one years, and the said tuo principall bands retired; therefore the saids magistrats and toun councill doe hereby recomend to and appoint the dean of gild and deacon conveener that the morrow they conveyen their tuo respective houses ranks, to the effect that the saids payments may be instructed before them by production of the saids tuo bands retired, and that the saids bands may be cancelled and the saids debts contained therein may be delete out of their respective lists recorded in their bookes, conform to the said act, and the bands thereafter to be delivered up to John Anderson, late thesaurer, who payed the same, for the better instructing of his thesaurer accompt, and appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener to make report to the councill anent each of the saids tuo houses and ranks their proceedings accordingly.

Overtures  
anent acci-  
dental fire.

The magistrats and toun councill appoints the magistrats [and others] to take to their considerations needfull and expedient overtures anent accidentall fyres in this burgh, and make their report to the councill.

Petition  
anent the  
High Kirk  
clock.

David Weir, hammerman, keeper of the touns clocks, having by his petition represented that he had taken great care and given long attendance in repairing the High Church clock and makeing the same a pendulim clock, and that he had gotten as yet but verry little reward and craveing a reasonable satisfaction at the counceills modification, which petition the councill recomend to the dean of gild, and impowers him to give to the said David upon the accompt forsaid what he thinks expedient.

The regents of  
the colledge  
burgesses and  
gild-  
bretheren.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Mr. John Law, Mr. Gershom Carmichaell and Mr. John Lowdown, professors of philosophy



in the colledge of this burgh, Mr. Alexander Dunlop, professor of Greek, Mr. Andrew Rosse, professor of Humanitie, and Mr. (blank) Sinclair, professor of the mathematicks in the said colledge, burgesses and gild-bretheren of this burgh and remitt their fynes and hold them as paid.

22 January 1708.

Anent the suplication given in by the baxters of this burgh relative Pryce of to the act daited the eleventh of October last anent the pryce of wheat <sup>wheat bread.</sup> bread, and shewing that they were not able to sell at the pryce contained in the said act, the pryce of the wheat being now considerably risen, and therefor craving ane suteable alteration conform therunto; which petition being read in presence of and considered be the magistrats and toun counceill they now statute and ordain that, the wheat being at ten pounds Scotts per boll the twelve penny loaf of fyne flower and weell baken shall be eleven unces and three drops and the six penny loaf of fyne flower fyve unces and ten drops, and the whole rest of the bread of more or less quantities shall be sold conform, and that during the counceills pleasure, who are to make the pryces more or less as they shall find the pryces of the wheat rise or fall.

[Approved of the intromissions of Robert Yuill, late bailie, with "the towns Robert Yuill two pennies on the pynt" from 1st May last, conform to the following account of discharged of charge and discharge:—] his intromissions.

Robert Yuill debtor to the toun of Glasgow for his intromissions with the touns 2d. for May, June, July, and August, 1707.

May—	To, 6452 kiln furlets	} 26710 furlets at 4s. 6d. per furlet is ...	£	s.	d.
June—	To, 6054 ditto				
July—	To, 6263½ ditto				
August—	To, 7940½ ditto				
To, 921 furlets multur malt for the saids 4 moneths at 6 s. per furlet			...	276	6 : 0
Summa			...	£6286	1 : 0

Discharge Creditor.

By my own and the four collectors salaries for May, June, July, and August, 1707, is ...	...	408	0 : 0
By cash payd to the officers for ingathering the said tyme, ...	...	14	10 : 0

		£	s.	d.
By cash for 5 quairs paper for wryting new discharges,		1	5	0
North quarter rests.—	By cash Mrs. Boyd rests for excise, ...	7	17	6
	By John M'Henry, left the toun, ...	3	7	6
	By Walter M'Nair, left the toun, ...	3	5	6
	By John Craig, coal-hewer, ...	2	9	6
	By James Cunningham (cannot be found), ...	2	2	0
South quarter rests.—	By George Gilmore, ...	4	10	0
	By Widow Broun, ...	3	18	10
West quarter rests.—	By Elspeth M'Aulay, ...		18	0
	By Walter Dalrymple, ...		18	0
East quarter rests.—	By James Waterston, ...		18	0
	By William Young, younger (cannot be found), ...	2	14	0
By cash payd to Mathew Gilmore, late thesaurer, as per receipt, ...		3600	0	0
By ballance due to be payed in to the said Mathew Gilmour, ...		2229	7	2
Summa of the discharge, ...		£6286	1	0

Committee to  
make report  
anent pen-  
sions.

Appoints the magistrats [and others] to take under their consideration what pensions are payeable by this burgh, with the causes for which the same are enacted and appointed, and what of these pensions they judge may be discharged and rescinded as not necessary, and report to the councill their thoughts and judgment thereanent.

17 February 1708.

Committees  
report anent  
pensions.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, the committee appointed by a former act daited the twenty second of January last, for takeing under consideration what pensions are payeable by this burgh, with the causes thereof and what of them might be thought necessary, reported as follows, viz., Imprimis, that they find the pension of ane hundred pounds yearly, payeable to Mary Young, schoolmistres, for her encouragement in this burgh in teaching young women does expire at Whitsunday

nixt. Item, that the yearly pension of tuo hundered merks payable to James Lochheid for glassing the High Church, and the yearly pension of tuo hundered and fifty merks payable to David Weir for keeping of the clocks are both necessary. Item, that the four hundered merks of yearly pension payeable to Andrew Whyte for keeping of the wells, according to aggreement with him, runs out at Candlemes j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and ten. Item, that the twenty four pounds payeable yearly to the postmaster of Glasgow, for encouragment of sending a boy tuyce a week to Portglasgow, and three guineas payable yearly to the generall postmaster, are both necessary; as is also the fourteen shilling Scotts weekly for keeping the records of the dead. Item, as to the tuenty pounds sterling of yearly sallary payeable to John Anderson of Dowhill, late provest, for his keeping the bookes of the revenues, rents, debts and others belonging to this burgh, the committee doe think fitt that the said John Anderson bring in and post John Anderson, younger, and Mathew Gilmour, late thesaurer, their thesaurer accompt, and then ballance, but that the committee are of oppinion that the said pension is not necessary for thereafter. Which haill report abovewritten being heard be the saids magistrats and toun councill, and they having taken to their consideration the said last article thereof anent the said sallary for keeping the touns bookes, they approved and hereby approves of the committies report and oppinion anent the said last article, and therefor the saids magistrats and toun councill rescinds and annulls all acts of the toun councill of this burgh made at any time preceeding anent the said John Anderson of Dowhill his keeping of the touns bookes forsaid and for the forsaid sallary or any other sallary appointed to him therefor, and particularly, but prejudice of the generality, ane act daited the thirty day of June j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> nynty four years and ane other act daited the fifth of December j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and ninty six years in favours of the said John Anderson; and in respect the said John Anderson, late provest, has received payment of his said sallary during the tuo years of the said John Anderson, younger, and Mathew Gilmor, late thesaurers, their being thesaurers, therefore appoints the said John Anderson, late provest, to bring in and post into the touns saids bookes the saids tuo late thesaurers their accompts and then ballance the bookes and thereafter deliver up the same to the magistrats.

Warrant for  
Mr. William  
Marshall.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to Mr. William Marshall, late doctor of the Grammer School, his quarters sallary preceeding Candlemes last, in respect of his poverty.

12 March 1708.

Ane address  
subscribed to  
the Queens  
Majestie.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane humble address to her Majestie Queen Anne, and recomends to the magistrats to take care how to transmitt the samen.

Warrant,  
thesaurer.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to have allowance in his own hands of the summ of [£64 4 s. 2 d.] Scotts, as his expenssis in carying in to Edinburgh the hail Scotts crown, fourty shilling, twenty shilling and ten shilling pieces (called in by the late proclamation) and which were in his and the late thesaurers hands, conform to a particular accompt thereof revised by the dean of gild.

Committee  
anent  
peatches on  
the head of  
the Gallow-  
gate.

The magistrats and councill appoints and gives full power to the magistrats [and others] to take it to their consideration whether or not they shall judge it fitt that peatches be made in the building designed in the head of the Gallowgate and north corner thereof, lately ruined by the late accidental fire there, and to doe and determine thereintill as they shall think fitt and expedient.

The pictures  
of King  
William and  
Queen Mary  
bought.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, the provest having represented that he having bought from Mr. Scowgall, limner in Edinburgh, tuo portrays, the one of King William and the other of Queen Mary, both of full length, for tuentie seven pounds sterling as the pryce thereof, the magistrats and councill doe approve of his buying of the same, and ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to the provest the said summ upon his receipt thereof which shall be the thesaurers warrant, that the provest may transmitt the money to Edinburgh and gett the pictures brought home that they may be hanged up in the touns councill house.

George Swan,  
barges and  
gild-brother.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt George Swan, smith in Gorballs, not only burges of this burgh, conform to a former act daited the eighteen day of December last, but also gildbrother of the said burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payd, at the desyre of his grace the duke of Montrose, as also in respect the deacon conveener

declared in counsell that the trades house had quitt the said George his gild-brother fyne upon accompt of his graces desyre forsaide.

12 *April* 1708.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to give to each of the toun officers a dollar, and to each of the Gorbail officer, Mary M'Farlan, and the dempster half a dollar as use is; and appoints John M'Aulay, officer, who lately deceased his dollar to be given to his wife.

Warrant for  
the toun  
officers, etc.

3 *May* 1708.

The magistrats and toun counsell do nominat and appoint Robert Rodger, provest of this burgh, to attend the convention of the royall burghs, to meet at Edinburgh, the fourteen day of May instant, for treating and deliberating anent the matters of trade and of the staple port, and severall other things relating to the state of the burrows, and of severall other overtures made of great importance to the royal burrows, particularly anent the representation of the burrows to the ensuing parliament, and to concurr with the remanent commissioners anent what may relate to the wellfair and interest of the burrows, conform to the burrow missive direct thereanent, and appoints the clerk to give commission conform thereunto and in the common forme, and recomends to the provest to meet with the baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, or any others they shall think fitt to call, and discourse with them anent their oppinion and advyce in relation to the contents of the said burgh missive.

Commission  
to the provest  
to attend the  
convention of  
burghs.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, the persons following, viz., Robert Rodger, provest, [and other members of council] of this burgh, and James M'Bryd, toun clerk thereof and clerk to the dean of gild court of the said burgh, in obedience and conform to ane act of her Majesties parliament of Great Britain, begun and holden at Westminster the twenty third of October last, in the sixth year of her Majesties reign, entituled Ane act for the better security of her Majesties person and government, did all of them take, swear and subscribe the oath therein and after-insert, conform to the said act, whereby they and every one of them did truely and sincerely acknowledge, profess, testifie, and declare in their

Diverse per-  
sons take the  
oath of  
abjuration.

conscience, before God and [the] world, that our Sovereign Lady Queen Anne is lauffull and rightfull Queen of this realm, and of all other her Majesties dominions and countreys thereto belonging, and did solemnly and sincerely declare that they did beleive in their conscience the person pretended to be Prince of Wales during the life of the late King James, and since his deceise pretending to be and taking upon himself the stile and title of King of England, by the name of James the Third, or of Scotland by the name of James the Eight, or the stile and title of King of Great Britain, hath not any right or title whatsoever to the crown of this realm or any other the dominiones thereto belonging, and did renunce, refuse, and abjure any allegiance or obedience to him, and did swear that they would bear faith and true alledgiance to her Majestie Queen Anne, and would defend her to the utmost of their power against all traitorous conspiracies and attempts whatsoever which should be made against her person, crown or dignity, and would do their utmost endeavours to disclose and make known to her Majestie and her successors all treasons and traitorous conspiracies which they should know to be against her or any of them, and did faithfully promise to the utmost of their power to support, maintain and defend the succession of the crown, against him the said James and all other persons whatsoever, as the samen is and stands settled by ane act, entituled Ane act declaring the rights and liberties of the subject, and settling the succession of the crown to her present Majestie and the heirs of her body, being protestants, and as the samen by ane other act, entituled Ane act for the further limitation of the crown and better secureing the rights and liberties of the subject, is and stands stated and entailed after the deceise of her Majesty, and for default of issue of her Majestie to the Princess Sophia, Electress and Dutchess Dowager of Hannover, and the heirs of her body, being protestants; and all these things they did plainly and sincerely acknowledge and swear according to these express words by them spoken, and according to the plain and common sense and understanding of the same words, without any equivocation, mentall evasion, or secreit reservation whatsoever; and they did make this recognition, acknowledgment, abjuration, renunciation, and promise, heartily, willingly, and truly, upon the true faith of a christian.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Rodger, Warrant for  
 provost, [£131 13s.] Scotts, as his expensses in going to Lanerk to meet the provest.  
 with the justices of peace, and to Edinburgh to attend the generall  
 assembly and meeting with the committee of the royal burrows after the  
 assembly was up, conform to accompt of the said expensses revised by  
 the dean of gild.

13 May 1708.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. Call sub-  
 Alexander Main, preacher of the gospell, to be minister of the north- scribed to Mr.  
 west quarter of this burgh. Alexander  
 Main.

25 May 1708.

Robert Rodger, provest, produced ane wryte under the hand of Commissioner  
 William Somervell of Corchouse, shirreff deput of the shirreffdom of to the parlia-  
 Lanerk, in name and by order of her grace the dutches of Hamiltoun, ment of Great  
 high shirreff of the said shirreffdom or county of Lanerk, daited at Britain.  
 Hamiltoun the fourteen day of Maij instant, relative to a brieve or wryte  
 for election of members to the ensueing parliament of Great Britain,  
 direct to the high shirreff of the said county of Lanerk, daited the twenty  
 sixth of Aprile last past, mentioning that because by advyce and consent  
 of her Majesties councill, for certain difficult and urgent affairs concern-  
 ing her Majestie and the state and defence of her kingdom of Great  
 Britain and churches thereof, her Majestie had ordained her parliament  
 to be holden at Westminster upon the eighth day of Jully nixt to come,  
 the said high shirreff is commanded to cause elect ane commissioner out  
 of every royall burrow of the said county for electing a burges for the  
 class and district, out of the discreetest and most sufficient, freely and  
 indifferently, after the forme of the statute made and provyded there-  
 anent, and cause insert the name of the burges who shall be returned to  
 the shirreff by the clerk who shall be appointed for that effect, whether  
 they be absent or present at the said election, so that the said burges for  
 himself and the commissioners for the saids burghs should have full and  
 sufficient power from them to make and consent to what should then and  
 there, by the common councill of the said kingdom (God willing), happen  
 to be ordained in the abovesaid affairs, so that for want of such power,  
 or ane improvident election of the burges, the said affairs might not remain

undone; therefor the said shirriff deput, in name and by order of her said grace the dutches of Hamiltoun, high shirriff forsaid, and in obedience to the said brieve or wryte, makes intimation thereof to the provest, baillies and counsell of this city, requiring and commanding them forthwith to make the said election of a commissioner as they used formerly to elect commissioners to the parliament of Scotland, and order their said commissioner to meet with the other commissioners of their said district att Glasgow, as being the presideing burgh of their district at this time, upon the twenty sixth of May instant, being the thirty day after the wryte bears teste, and then and there to choise the said burges for the said district to the said parliament; and further orders their common clerk, immediately after the said election, to return the name of the person so elected to the said high shirriff, that the same may be annexed to the wryte and returned to the Court from whence the said wryte did issue, and to doe every other thing appointed by the twenty tuo article of the Union and eight act of the parliament of Scotland *anno* 1707, and the acts of parliament of Great Britain made in the sixth year of her Majesties reign; as the said wryte under the hand of the said shirreff deput proports. Which wryte being read in presence of the saids magistrats and counsell, they in pursuance thereof doe hereby choise, elect, commissionat and appoint Robert Rodger, provest of the burgh of Glasgow, to be commissioner for them and to meet with the severall commissioners appointed and commissionat be the remanent burghs of the district, viz., be the magistrats and toun counsell of Dumbarton, Renfrew and Rutherglen, and that at this burgh of Glasgow as being the presideing burgh of the district for the time, upon the morrow, being the twenty sixth of May instant, and then and there to elect and choyse ane commissioner to represent the said four burghs and district forsaid in the said parliament of Great Britain, to be holden at Westminster the said eight day of Jully nixt to come, and to impower the said committee to treat and conferr anent what may relate to her Majestie and the state and defence of her kingdom of Great Britain and churches thereof, and to make and consent to what shall then and there by the common counsell of the kingdom (God willing) happen to be ordained in the abovesaid affairs.



The magistrats and toun councill conveened, there was a supplication <sup>The petition, John Spreull, and others.</sup> read in their presence, given in be John Spreull, merchant, Mr. Henry Marshall, chirurgeon, James Luke, goldsmith, and Agnes Sanders, relict of umquhill James Bogle, merchant, heretors of these chops, high and laigh, near to the Cross, lately burned and ruinous, shewing that they had entered into a contract with a measson to cause build their said shops, and that the stones, lyme and others are ready to that effect, but the measson fearing to enter on work upon accompt of that gavell belonging to John Wallace which is ruinous and likely to fall, and people being in danger to work under the samen, unless the said gavell be taken down their work cannot be gone about, and therefor craving that the saids magistrats and councill would order the said John Wallace to take down the said gavell, at least to the length of the roof, that so the petitioners building may goe on, as the said petition bears; which petition being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they remitted and hereby remitts the consideration thereof and desyre of the same to the dean of gild and his bretheren, and gives full power to them to doe and determine thereanent as they find fitt and just.

Appoints the dean of gild to proceed in repairing the calsey of the <sup>Dean of gild to repair the calsey.</sup> High street leading from the cross to the High church, and to begin where last left at, being above the Colledge, and so to proceed upward in so far as can be conveniently done this season.

1 June 1708.

[Mills, 6,950 merks; ladles, 4,410 merks; meal market and pecks, 1,330 <sup>Common good set.</sup> merks; tron and fishmarket, 1700 merks; bridge and crane, 2,060 merks.]

14 June 1708.

The magistrats and toun councill doe hereby give full power and <sup>Commission to baillie Bouman to goe to Lanerk.</sup> commission to John Bouman, aue of the present baillies of the said burgh, to attend the meeting of the shyre of Lanerk, at the toun of Lanerk the morrow, being the fifteen instant, and there in name of the said burgh of Glasgow, for their lands of Provand and others, to proceed with the other barrons and freeholders of the said shyre in the election of the commissioner for representing the said shyre in the ensuing parliament of

Great Britain, to be holden at Westminster the eight day of July nixt to come, and to doe all things incumbent thereanent sicklike and als freely as any other barron is by law authorized to doe.

26 June 1708.

The magis-  
trats to  
liberat  
Walter Gib-  
son upon a  
band of pre-  
sentation.

The provest represented that where Walter Gibson, late provest, being incarcerated within the tolbooth of this burgh, at the touns instance, for debt due be him to the burgh, he the said provest, with some other of the magistrats, upon certain urgent and necessary affairs which required the said Walter Gibson his liberation for a certain space, did liberat the said Walter upon his and George Dainziel, wright in Glasgow, as cautioner for him, their band for presenting the said Walter prisoner again within the tolbooth on the first of July nixt, which band was accordingly granted, but now in regaird that he and Mungo Cochran are now likely to gett differences removed and matters accomodated betuixt them in reference to the said Walter his affairs, they being under submission and arbitrators nominat therein, and before that the same can be put to a close it will require some time and the said Walter his attendance thereupon, which he cannot doe if he should again re-enter into prison at the said first of July nixt, and that the said Walter could propose noe way of satisfieing the toun till the saids differences were determined, he desyred that the dyet of his re-entring himself prisoner might be prorogat for some moneths; which representation abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill, they approve and hereby approves of the said magistrats their accepting of the said band of presentation, and remitt and refer to the magistrats to prorogat the time of the said Walter Gibson his re-entring prisoner for such space as they shall think fitt and see cause, the said Walter always giving band and caution to the toun that he shall re-enter prisoner at the said time to which the magistrats shall prorogat the same.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
James Mont-  
gomery.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to James Montgomerie, keeper of the tolbooth of this burgh, [£303 1 s.] Scotts money for coall and candle furnished be him to the touns guards and the councill house from the first of October j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and seven to the first of Aprile j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and eight years conform to a particular accompt thereof.

23 July 1708.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Rodger, Warrant for  
provest, [£193 14 s. 8 d.], Scotts money, as his and John Aird, late provest, <sup>the provest.</sup>  
their expenssis in attending the late generall convention of the royall  
burrowes at Edinburgh, from the fourth to the eighteen days of July  
instant, in which is included six pounds Scotts for a box to cary home  
the tuo pictures of King William and Queen Mary.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to James M'Bryd, toun Warrant for  
clerk, thirty tuo pounds sixteen shilling, Scotts, as his expenssis in going <sup>James</sup>  
to and at Edinburgh in June last, by order of the dutches of Hamiltoun, <sup>M'Bryd.</sup>  
for making a return of the provest to serve as a member in the enseueing  
parliament.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, they upon a representa- Curer and  
tion given in and subscribed by many of the merchants of this burgh <sup>visitor of</sup>  
concerned in foreign salt and export of herrings, &c., recommending George <sup>herring at</sup>  
Johnstoun in Port Glasgow as a person fitt and qualified for the office <sup>Port Glasgow.</sup>  
afterspecifeit, and expert and seen therin, doe hereby appoint and  
impower the said George Johnstoun to visit all herrings exported out  
of the precinct of Port Glasgow and make cognition and tryall of the  
sufficiency of the cureing and packing therof and afix his burning mark  
upon the casks wherein the saids herrings are sufficiently packed and  
cured, and to doe every other thing incumbent to the office of a visitor  
in manner as is prescribed by the act of parliament anent loyall cureing  
and packing of herrings and salmond fish daited [12 May 1693] and to  
exact the dues therfor as is specified in the said act; and wills and  
declares that this present commission is only to continue during the  
magistrats and councill their will and pleasure; and appoints any of the  
magistrats to take the said George Johnstoun, visitor, his oath *de fidei*  
*administratione*, and to receive from him sufficient bond and caution for  
that effect before he shall exercise the said office, conforme to the said  
act of parliament.

10 September 1708.

Ordaines the dean of gild and his bretheren of councill to admitt Sir Fleming and  
Archibald Fleeming of Ferme burges and gild-brother of this burgh as <sup>Dunlop</sup>  
eldest lafull son to the deceist Sir William Fleeming of Ferme, his <sup>burghes and</sup> gild-brother.

father, burges and gild-brother therof; as also to admitt James Dunlop of Garnkirk a burges and gild-brother of the said burgh as eldest lafull son to the deceist James Dunlop of Garnkirk, his father, burges and gild-brother therof; and remitts their fynes and holds them as payd for good service done and to be done be them to this burgh.

Coall and  
candle to the  
guard and  
councill  
house.

Ordaines that in time comeing the master of work and his successors in office shall, after the first of October nixt, provyde and furnish to the touns guardhouse, and to the councill house, coall and candle, and discharge the jaylor to furnish any thereto after the said day.

2 October 1708.

Warrant for  
James Mont-  
gomerie.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to James Montgomery, jaylor, [£175 2 s.] Scotts for coall and candle furnished be him to the touns guards in Aprile, May, June, July, August and September last, and for maintainance of poor prisoners in the tolbooth, the expenssis of which maintainance as a pairt of the said accompt extends to [£69 13 s.] Scotts.

Warrant for  
Thomas  
Peter.

The magistrats and toun councill ordaines Thomas Thomson, thesaurer, to pay to Thomas Peter, dean of gild, [£114 4 s. 6 d.] Scotts, depursed be him for getting new weights and measures to this burgh, of the English standart, conform to a particular accompt thereof.

A committee  
anent Mungo  
Cochranes  
petition.

Mungo Cochrane gave in a petition shewing that where he having some time agoe fermed the touns lands and lordship of Provand at a considerable rent, and being verry forward to improve the same to the well of the burgh, did, at the desyre of the then provest, baillies and dean of gild and other members of the councill, with considerable expenssis and a great deall of toill and trouble, inclose and impark thirty aikers or thereby of the saids lands in that part thereof called Ridderie, by surrounding the same with a stone dyke, all upon the petitioners own charges and expenssis, in prospect that the magistrats and councill would grant him allowance therefor, considering that any benefite he could reap thereby during the tack most be very small, far unanswerable to the petitioners expenssis and pains taken thereanent, and that the said incloser will remain a standing good and advantage to the said burgh in all time coming, whereby the rent cannot fall but rather be raised; lykeas in September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and five, the petitioner haveing represented to the then

magistrats and toun councill the forsaid matter, craveing that they might appoint some of their number to sight and visite the forsaid incloser and dyke thereof, and that the petitioner might be ordained payment of his expenssis depursed in building the said stone dyke, and makeing mention that if they should think fitt the petitioner was willing to take a few-right of the saids lands of Ridderie, for payment of the former rent thereof as a yearly fewduty, whereby the burgh can noewayes be prejudged, and this in lieu of all charges and expenssis; which petition being read in councill, baillie Slosse [and others] were ordained to visite the said incloser, notwithstanding thereof there was never yet any conclusion in the said matter, to the petitioners great loss; craveing therefor the saids magistrats and toun councill to consider the premissis and to allow to the petitioner conform to the desyre of his said first supplication, viz., to ordaine him payment of his said charges and expenssis or grant him the forsaid fewright, and so soon as conveniency would allow to grant ane answer, the want whereof hath hindered the petitioner hitherto further to improve the said incloser by planting and otherwayes; as the said petition subscribed be the said Mungo Cochrane bears. Which supplication being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill, they appointed and hereby appoints John Bouman, baillie, [and others] to take to their consideration the desyre of the said petition and to visite the saids lands and incloser, betuixt and the fifth of November nixt, and make their report to the councill of their judgment and oppinion thereanent.

Mathew Broun, wryter in Edinburgh, gave in a supplication to them shewing that the deceist Thomas Broun, dyer in this burgh, his father, <sup>anent</sup> haveing been at verry great charges in building and repairing of his <sup>Mathew</sup> new tenement of land now belonging to the petitioner, near the Watter <sup>Brouns peti-</sup> port, the same nevertheless is verry inconvenient by reason it wants ane middenstead, als well for the use of the house as for securing of the south lights thereof from being damnified by any builder that may come afterwards and take up that ground, as also that some small officehouses and other improvements are wanting which may be verry well made on that waste piece of ground, southward from the gavell of the said house at the back of the lithhouse adjacent thereto unto the highway which

leads unto the Broomilaw, and therefore craveing the magistrats and toun councill would grant to the petitioner his heirs and successors ane absolute fewright and disposition to the forsaid piece of waste ground southward from the south gavell of the petitioners tenement; bounded with the forsaid litthouse on the east, the highway that leads from the Watterport to the Broomilaw on the south and the southmost gavell of the petitioners tenement on the north, and the broad cartway that passes by the west side wall of the petitioners tenement on the west, to come out equall and in a straight line from the forsaid sidewall or west wall of the said house towards the Old Green, and that for payment of such a small fewduty as they should please; as the said supplication subscribed be the said Mathew Broun proports. Which supplication being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill they appointed and hereby appoints the magistrats [and others] to visite the said piece of ground and to take the desyre of the said petition to their consideration and report their thoughts thereof to the councill.

Anent purchasing of thack houses on the back of the tolbooth.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that theré are some laigh thack houses lying at the back or north side of the tolbooth, the easing whereof doe come within less then tuo foot of the laigh windows lately stricken out in the chambers in the laigh volt of the said tolbooth, and that in caise of any accidentall fire in the saids laigh thack houses (as God forbid) the same might be of bad event not only to that laigh part of the tolbooth under the volts, where the touns wrytes and records lye, but also to the rest of the tolbooth, therefore the magistrats and toun councill appoints the magistrats [and others] to common with the herctores of the saids back thack houses anent the touns purchasseing from them of so much of the same as may be thought fitt for the touns use upon the consideratione aforesaid, and to make their report thereanent to the councill.

A rentall to be made of the tenements, houses, etc., in this burgh.

The magistrats and toun councill, takeing to their consideration how necessary it is that a rentall be taken up of the haill houses, tenements, and yeards within this burgh, for preventing of mistakes in laying on the stents or otherwayes, therefor appoints the persones respective afternamed, for the quarters respective afterspcifeit, viz., [two persons for each of the east, south, west, north and middle quarters] to goe throw the saids

respective quarters of this burgh and take up a just and true rentall of the present rent of the haill lands, tenements, houses, yeards and shops of their saids respective quarters, and putt the same in wryte and deliver it to the magistrats.

There was a petition given in by the deacon, collector and remanent <sup>A committee anent the</sup> members of the incorporation of chyrurgeons and barbers of this burgh, <sup>chirurgeons and barbers</sup> shewing that they have pertaining to them ane tenement of land on the south side of the Tronegate, adjacent to the Trone church, wherein they <sup>petition.</sup> have their common hall, and that there is ane entry belonging to this burgh beneath the said tenement which enters from the fore street to the Trone church closs, by a door on the west side of the laigh house and chop beneath the said tenement, presently possest be John Murray, which entry is closed up and altogether useless to this burgh, but it going throw beneath the incorporationes said tenement will be usefull to them for enlarging of their laigh houses and chops adjoining thereto, and therefor craveing that the counceill would ordaine and appoint the said entry to belong to the said incorporation for the use abovementioned in all time coming, as the said petition bears; which being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counceill, they appointed and hereby appoints the magistrats [and others] to visite the said entry and make their reports thereanent to the counceill.

Upon a petition given in to them be Walter Buchanan, gardener, <sup>Buchanan,</sup> ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt him burges of this <sup>burges.</sup> burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed for his good service at the accidentall fire in January last and upon accompt of his receiving some hurt and bruises in his hand and arme thereat, and his expenssis and loss of time on that accompt, but as for the gildrie leaves him to applye to the Trades house thereanent.

5 October 1708.

[Robert Rodger, provost; William Dickie and Michael Coulter, of the <sup>Election of</sup> merchants' rank, and Mathew Gilmour, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] <sup>provost and bailies.</sup>

8 October 1708.

[The magistrats of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen. for the ensuing year.]

13 October 1708.

Dean of guild,  
etc.

[Thomas Peter, dean of guild ; John Broun, deacon convener ; Robert Hog, treasurer ; William Smith, bailie of Gorbals ; John Simpstone, water bailie ; Patrick Cree, master of work ; John Miller, visitor of maltmen ; John Hattridge, visitor of gardeners ; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

16 October 1708.

[The 12 d. loaf to weigh 11 oz. 3 drops, and the 6 d. loaf 5 oz. 10 drops ; rough tallow to be sold for 43 s. 4 d. Scots the stone ; and candle 50 s. Scots the stone.]

Warrant for  
the toun of  
Elgine.

The provest represented that he had received ane letter from the provest and baillies of Elgin, shewing that they had projected a harbour in the mouth of the watter of Lossie in Murray Firth, and that they had already begun the samen, but being unable of themselves to accomplish the designe therefor addressed themselves to this burgh be John Sinclair, younger, thesaurer, commissionat to that effect, for neighbourly and freindly assistance out of the publick thesaury of this burgh to promote the said good work which will turn to the advantage and safety of all ships resorting to the Murray Firth, as the said letter read in councill more fully bears ; which desyre being taken to consideration be the saids magistrats and toun councill they ordained and hereby ordaine Thomas Thomson, late thesaurer, to make payment to the said John Sinclair of the summ of ten pounds sterling money for the said burgh of Elgine their help to cary on the said work.

30 October 1708.

A rentall to  
be made of the  
lands in this  
burgh.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, notwithstanding that by a former act daited the second of October instant they had appointed the persons therein named to take up the rentall of the present rent of the haill lands, tenements and others therein specifeit, within this burgh. yet nevertheless upon further consideration of the said matter they now hereby appoint the persones respective afternamed, viz., [two persons for each of the five quarters] to go through the said respective quarters and take up a just and true rentall of the present rent of the haill lands, tenements, houses, yards and chops of their said respective quarters, and put the same in wryte and deliver it to the magistrats, for preventing of mistakes in laying on the stents and otherwayes.



1 January 1709.

The bailies having represented that provest Gibson was desyrous to meet with some in name of the counsell and speak to them anent the debts that are owing be him to the toun, doe hereby appoint the baillies [and others] as a committee to meet with the said provest Gibson and see what he proposes for the touns payment and satisfaction, and to make their report thereof to the counsell; as also allowes and impowers the magistrats if they think fitt to grant a supercedere or delay for what time or times hereafter they think fitt in relation to the said provest Gibson his re-entring prisoner within this tolbooth at the touns instance, they obtaining bond and caution for his entring himself prisoner at the time that they shall appoint and for payment of the debts in caise of faillyie.

A committee  
to speak to  
provost Gib-  
son.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, there being overtures and proposalls given in to them and read in counsell for the more ready and effectuall wayes and means for surpressing of accidentall fires within this burgh for the future, if they shall happen (as God forbid), doe hereby remitt the further consideration of the saids overtures and proposalls to the magistrats, [and others] who are to report their thoughts of the same, and in the meantime recomends the dean of gild to provide and prepare the instruments mentioned in the saids overtures, with axes and other instruments thought needfull by the said committy, to the effect forsaide.

Overtures for  
suppressing  
accidentall  
fires.

The magistrats and toun counsell convened, there was a supplication given in by Robert Thomson, merchant, read in their presence shewing that he had a fore tenement above the Wyndhead called Isle toothie, and he being designed to build a little toofall for a chop upon the fore-side thereof and make the same equall with the adjacent tenements, and therefor craveing that the magistrats and counsell would allow the same; which petition being considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell they remitt the desyre thereof to the dean of gild and bretheren and deacon convene, and hereby grants full power to them to doe thereanent as they shall think expedient.

Robert Thom-  
sons petition  
Isle toothie.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Gavine Maxwell in Langside burges and gildbrother of this burgh and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed, at the desyre of the Lord Pollok.

Maxwell,  
burges and  
gildbrother.

M'Fie, burges  
and gild-  
brother.      Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt John M'Fie, calsayer, burges and gild-brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes for good service done and to be done be him to this burgh.

*7 January 1709.*

Address sub-  
scribed to  
the Queens  
Majestie.      The magistrats and toun councill conveened, have subscribed ane humble address to her Majestie Queen Anne.

*13 January 1709.*

Call sub-  
scribed to  
Mr. John  
Hamilton.      The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. John Hamilton, minister of the gospell at Strathaven, to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh.

Warrand for  
provest Aird.      Ordaines Thomas Thomson, late thesaurer, to pay to John Aird, late provest, [£50 6 s. 8 d.] Scotts, as the charges and expenses depursed be him for himself, John Paull, late thesaurer, and James Montgomerie, jaylor, in goeing to Edinburgh, in the end of December last, to attest the money owing be the publict to the toun, upon accompt of the French prisoners, before the barrons of exchequer, and other charges there on the touns accompt.

*29 March 1709.*

Tacksman of  
the touns  
common  
goods.      The magistrats and toun councill, taking to their consideration the great loss and prejudice this burgh doth sustain throu many of the tacksman of the touns common goods their failling to make punctuall payment of their respective tack duties conform to their bonds granted therefore, therefore, and for preventing thereof in time coming, the magistrats and toun councill doe hereby enact and ordain that in all subsequent rouns no person shall be allowed to bid or sustained a tacksman or cautioner who shall be owing any rests of their bygone tackduties; and ordaines this to be insert as one of the termes of all subsequent rouns of the touns common goods; and as for the roup to be made of the touns common goods on the first Tuesday of June nixt to come, recommends to the magistrats to informe and give notice to the present and preceding tacksman (who may be owing any rests of their tackduty for the touns common goods) of the present act, fourty days before the said first Tuesday of June nixt, that they may not pretend ignorance thereof.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, Thomas Peter, dean of the purchase of the meeting house gild, reported that the tack of the Meetinghouse of this burgh being house expired, and Walter Bryce, merchant in Dubline, heretor of the ground approved. thereof, being threatning to disposess the toun thereof unless they would pay a double of the rent then formerly was payed therefor, he, the dean of gild, for preventing the toun of trouble and expenses, had bought from him the said ground whereupon the meetinghouse stands, with a piece voyd or wast ground on the south corner of the said meetinghouse, for the conveniency of holding the seats which fell to be lifted the time of the communion, for the summ of ane thousand and fourty eight merks as the aggreed pryce therefor, and accordingly had obtained disposition thereof from the said Walter in favours of this burgh and caused infett the toun thereupon, and that Robert Hog, thesaurer, had made payment of the said pryce and had the saids rights in his hand;<sup>1</sup> which report abovementioned being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they approved and hereby approves of the said dean of gild his managment and of the said purchass, and ordaines the said thesaurer to have allowance in his own hand of the said one thousand and fourty eight merks at his compt making.

The magistrats and toun councill appoints Thomas Peter, dean of the dean of gild, to cause mend and lay the Bridgegate and Wyndhead calsays in such gild to mend calsays. parts and places thereof as he sees cause.

Ordaines Thomas Thomson, late thesaurer, to have allowance in his Warrant for the expenses of the new own hands of the summ of four hundered and eight pundis sixteen shilling of the new Scotts money payed out by him by order of the dean of gild to Robert kirk bell. Bogle, younger, merchant in Glasgow, upon the accompt of the bell of the new church of this burgh, formerly reft, being sent to Holland and there casten again with a considerable addition mettall thereunto, conform to a particular accompt thereof containing the dean of gilds order and Robert Bogles receipt subjoynd thereto.

[Wheat having risen since October from £10 to £12 10 s. per boll, the 12 d. Wheat loaf to weigh 8 oz. 15 drops.] bread.

<sup>1</sup> Disposition dated 18th January, 1709; by John M'Ure, 4th February, 1709. (Inventory of City Writs, I., p. 131, b. 51.) Sasines kept for the regality of Glasgow, &c.,

21 *May* 1709.

Dougalstouns  
petition  
remitted to a  
committee.

The magistrats and toun council convened, John Grahame of Dougalstoun gave in a supplication shewing that that great tenement nixt adjacent to the tolbooth of this burgh, upon the Tronegate Street, doth now pertain and belong to him, and he now purposing and designing to bring out his said house square with the tolbooth, the length of one of the chops nixt to the said tolbooth, and make the forefront thereof of stonework, which will be noewayes prejudiciall to the burgh, therefor craving liberty to him for doeing thereof and of puting up ane stair for entry to the high chop in his said land, which is now taken to be the stent chamber, and which stair, if found inconvenient by the magistrats and toun councill after putting up thereof, the same should be taken down whenever they pleased, as the said supplication bears; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill they recomended and hereby recomends to the provost, baillies, dean of gild and deacon conveener, and any others of the councill they please to call to their assistance, to take the said desyre to their consideration and report their thoughts thereof to the councill at their nixt meeting.

3 *June* 1709.

Report be the  
committee  
anent Dougal-  
stouns peti-  
tion.

The provost, baillies, and deacon conveener reported and represented that they, with the dean of gild and some others of the councill whom they had called to their assistance, conform to the act afterspecifeit, had taken to their consideration the desyre of a petition given in to the toun councill be John Grahame of Dougalstoun . . . in manner specifeit in the said supplication, mentioned in a former act dated the twenty first day of May last, . . . and that, conform to the said act, they had visited that part of the said tenement wherein is the said shop nixt to the tolbooth and considered the desyre of the said petition, and it was their oppinion, for what occurred to them at present, that it was no detriment to the toun to allow to Dougalstoun the liberty craved, excepting as to the stair which according to their oppinion ought not to be granted, and further represented that if at any time hereafter the magistrats and toun councill of this burgh and their successors should judge that the said shop its being brought out as said is, square with the tolbooth, should be

prejudiciall or inconvenient, Dougalstoun should become bound to take down the same; which report abovewritten being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill they grant liberty to the said John Grahame of Dougalstoun to bring out his said shop nixt to the tolbooth in a square lyne with the tolbooth, the forefront thereof being in stonework, upon this condition alwayes that in the first place he grant bond to the magistrats and councill oblidging him, his heirs and successors, heretors of the saids lands, to take the samen down if hereafter judged prejudiciall or inconvenient by the magistrats and councill or their successors, but refuses the desyre of the petition as to the stair.

7 June 1709.

[Mills, 7,350 merks; ladles, 4,810 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,310 merks; Common good tron and fishmarket, 1,900 merks; bridge and crane, 2,160 merks.] set.

22 July 1709.

The magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, as a committee conform to a former act dated the first of July instant, appointed by the councill for sighting the piece of ground mentioned in the said act, craved to be fewed be and to John Aird, late provost, adjacent to his and his umquhill fathers other lands in Goosedubbs, and reserved by their former rights for the use of a syre throw their lands, in manner specifeit in the said former act, reported that they had accordingly visited the said piece of ground and found that there is now no occasion for any syre to be kept therein, in respect the said syre is now made through the Bridgegate street, whereby the watter is conveyed down to the wynd at the end of the Merchants house, and that by the said John Aird his takeing in the same with his other lands there will be no detriment to the burgh nor adjacent heretors; which report abovewritten being heard be and the draught of the fewright craved be the said John Aird being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill, they subscribed the said fewright which is burdened with twelve pennies Scotts of yearly fewduty payable to the toun.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, they upon information that James Bell, the touns tenent in the lands of Wester Common, has encroached in some places beyond his marches upon the touns common, Marches of  
Wester  
Common.

and also between the lands of Wester Common and his own lands of Lyme-house Bog, therefore appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveyer, and such others of the councill as they please to call to their assistance, to visite the said ground and report their thoughts of the matters informed of.

Mr. Maine  
and Mr.  
Gardener  
burgesses and  
gild-  
bretheren.

Appoints the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Mr. Andrew Gardener, secretary to his grace the duke of Montrose, and Mr. Alexander Main, one of the ministers of this burgh, both to be burgess and gild-bretheren of this burgh, and remitt their fines and hold them as payed.

James  
Duncans sup-  
plication re-  
mitted to a  
committee.

The magistrats and toun councill, anent the supplication given in to them be James Duncan, coppersmith in this burgh, showing that where he had taken a fore chop and backhouse at the mouth of Bells Wynd from James Lees, merchant, wherein he is designed to follow his calling and imployment, and that Coline and Patrick Bells, in name of Margaret and (*blank*) Bells, heretors of the story above, have given in to the dean of gild and his bretheren a complaint against the petitioner, shewing that he has putt up an forge in the said laigh houses, wherein there will be occasion for great fires and heats which may put the neighbourhood in danger of fire who live above and about the same, and therefor craving that the petitioner might be discharged for keeping a forge therein; which complaint being called before the dean of gild and bretheren they inclined to represent the same to the councill before they would proceed to give justice therein, and in the meantime discharged the petitioner to put any fire in the said forge till the cause be discussed; the petitioner would therefor humbly represent to the councill that there will be no occasion for any great heats in the said forge, but a verry small heat and as slow as any fire in a chimney, for the matteriall of copper requires only a small heat in order to the forgeing and beating out the same to what it is designed for, which is neither like silver nor iron forging from which there flows fractive or bruckle matter; and as to heat or fire which peuter work requires, all the fire which is made use of for that end is contained within some small ribbs of a chimney, not exceeding ane quarter and a half yeard of breadth and length, fixed upon a stone hearth where-upon ane little pott which contains the mettall does stand; all which will easily be evinced and made appear by severall of the councill who are

known in such matters, and that no danger can be therein (although a forge) when the same is only applyed to the forsaid use and no other; and therefore craveing the magistrats and counceill to consider the premissis and allow the petitioner to go on in his work as others of his imployment do, and take off the restraint put upon him from puting fire in the said house upon accompt of his work, considering that no danger can be thereby to any; as the said supplicatione bears. Which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrats and counceill, they ordained and hereby ordaines the same to be given out to the saids Coline and Patrick Bells that they may return ane answer thereto, and thereafter the petitioner to see the same and make a reply thereto, which answer and reply being made as said is then the saids magistrats and toun counceill do hereby give full power and commission to John Aird, late provest, the dean of gild and his bretheren of counceill [and others] to visite the said laigh house and the forge which the said James Duncan is setting up therein, and take the said petition as also the forsaid complaint given in be the saids Coline and Patrick Bells before the dean of gild and bretheren, with the answers and replyes, to their consideration, and to give their finall sentance and determination thereanent as they shall find just and expedient.

The magistrats and toun counceill, considering that by a former act dated the twenty day of Aprile j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> and ninty nine years, the then magistrats and toun counceill [exempted certain new buildings from stents or taxations for ten years] as in the said act at more length is contained;<sup>1</sup> and the saids magistrats and toun counceill now conveened, takeing to their consideration that notwithstanding of the said act the stentmasters have alwayes stented such new tenements and houses as is aforesaid, which has been to the prejudice of the common good of this burgh, and more especially considering that heretors of such tenements and houses have faillyied to make application to the magistrats in time bygone, to the effect abovewriten contained in the said act, therefore and upon other severall weighty considerationes, the saids magistrats and toun counceill hereby rescinds and annulls the forsaid former act, exeeming from stents as said is, and declares the same to be voyd and of none effect

Act rescind-  
ing a former  
act exeeming  
new lands  
from stent.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 283-4.

in all time hereafter, sicklike as if the same had not been made, excepting alwayes forth and fra this present act rescissory that fore tenement of land on the east side of the High street above the Cross, pertaining to John Campbell, merchant, and builded be him since the date of the said former act, in respect the said John made application conform to the same former act. Thereafter John Bowman, late baillie, and William Smith, merchant, tuo of the saids councillors present, protested that the forsaid act might be noewayes prejudiciall to them of their respective new fore tenements built be them in the termes of the said former act, nor of their priveledge thereby, and thereupon both of them took instruments in the clerks hand, to which Robert Rodger, provost, answered that they had not made application to the magistrats conform to the said former act.

9 August 1709.

Call to Mr.  
John Bouie.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. John Bouie, preacher of the gospell, to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh.

13 September 1709.

Provost  
Gibsones debt  
cleared.

[Referring to the act dated 30th June, 1704,<sup>1</sup> the provost reported that the disposition therein mentioned had been delivered on receiving payment of 4,500 merks, which was accepted in full of 5,000 merks, the sum inserted in the disposition.]

Toun officers,  
etc.

Ordaines Robert Hog, thesaurer, to pay to each of the toun officers three pounds Scotts and to each of the Gorbail officer, Grissell Weir<sup>2</sup> and the dempster thirty shilling Scotts as use is.

Reid, burges  
and gild-  
brother.

Appoints the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Andrew Reid, wright, burges and gildbrother of this burgh, as he who served Robert Barton, wright, burges and gildbrother thereof, during the years in the gildrie, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed, in respect that about the late happy Revolution umquhill John Reid, his father, was killed when commanding a rout of the touns guards and keeping the peace of the burgh.

<sup>1</sup> *Acta*, p. 383.

succeeded Mary M'Farlane, otherwise named Highland Mary.

<sup>2</sup> Grissell Weir appears to have this year



Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt John Jack, wright, Jack, burges. burges of this burgh, and remitt his fynes at the deasyre of Thomas Peter, dean of gild, and for the said John Jack his good service at the late accidental fire on the east side of the Cross at the head of the Gallowgate.

1 October 1709.

Appoints the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Thomas Ralph Thomas in Partick burges and gildbrother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and Ralph, burges and hold them as payed at the earnest deasyre of the lairds of Dougalstoun, gildbrother. Blythwood, Shawfield, and Mains.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed an declaration declareing and testifying from whom the lands of Ramshorn and Meedow- subscribed anent Ramshorn and Meedow- flatt, now belonging to Hutchisones Hospitall, were purchased, and how Lambhill disponed the same to the toun councill who thereafter made flatt. over their right thereof to the said hospitall, which is to be transmitted to John Baillie, clerk to the commissioners of supplie for the shiriffdom of Lanerk, that he may produce the same before the said commissioners and endeavour to obtain the said lands to be exeemed from publick burdens as being mortified to the said hospitall.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by their former Thatch act dated the second of October last <sup>1</sup> [a committee was appointed to houses at the back of the negotiate for the purchase of "thack houses at the back of the tolbooth"], tolbooth. and that seeing there is as yet no report made, therefor recomends to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener to take the forsaid former act to their consideration and to inquire anent the worth and value of the saids houses and the rights and securities of the same and make their report thereof to the councill.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that a former act of Act dis- the toun councill, dated the sixteenth day of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and four chargeing Blythwood years, does bear that conform to an act preceeding the same there was as is therein. tuo hundered and twenty punds resting be the deceist John Campbell of Woodside to the toun, yet nevertheless by the said last former act the then magistrats and toun councill considering that Coline Campbell now of Blythwood, then designed younger of Woodside, had been at expenses

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 432.

and trouble in severall affairs of this burgh, therefore it is recomended to the then provest to meet and treat with the said Coline in relation to the said expenses and report his thoughts thereanent, and now the saids magistrats and toun councill, upon consideration of the said expenses and trouble forsaid and for other weighty considerationes them moving, do hereby exoner and simpliciter discharge the said Coline Campbell now of Blythswood, and all others the representatives of the said umquhill John Campbell of Woodside, and all others whom it effeirs, of the said tuo hundered and twenty pundis of balance forsaid for now and ever, and hereby enacts and oblidges themselves to warrand thir presents as an sufficient exoneration of the said tuo hundered and twenty pundis at all hands.

3 October 1709.

Act anent  
Mungo  
Cochranes  
inclosure in  
the lands of  
Ridderie.

The magistrats and John Bowman, late dean of gild, in absence of the present dean of gild, reported, that they as a committee, conform to an act dated the first day of October instant, had mett with Mungo Cochrane, merchant, one of the present tacksmen to the toun of the barrony of Provand, and communed with him conform to the said act, and that it was their oppinion that, at the event and ish of the tack set be the toun councill to the said Mungo Cochrane of the said barrony, the said Mungo Cochrane should be payed by this burgh of what summ the stone park dyke builded be him upon a piece of ground of the lands of Ridderie within the said barrony shall be found worth, as to the benefite accrescing to the toun thereby, at the ish forsaid of the said tack; which report abovewriten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they approved and hereby approves thereof, and to the effect that the said worth and benefite may be cognosced and cleared at the end of the said tack as said is, the said magistrats and toun councill hereby declare and aggree to that at the end of the tack forsaid the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveyener for the time, shall choise one man and the said Mungo Cochrane shall choise another man, who are to sight and visite the said park dyke and declare upon their solemn oath what shall be the true worth and benefite of the same to this burgh at the end of the said tack.

4 October 1709.

[John Aird, provost; Henry Smith and William Smith, for the merchants' rank, and Thomas Hamilton, for the crafts' rank, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

7 October 1709.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceeding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

12 October 1709.

[Thomas Smith, dean of guild; John Broun, deacon convener; John Buchanan, Dean of treasurer; Thomas Hamilton, bailie of Gorbals; William Donaldson, water bailie; guild, etc. Patrick Cree, master of work; Patrick Mitchell, visitor of maltmen; John Hatrig, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

15 October 1709.

[Wheat being at £14 per boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 8 oz.; rough tallow to be sold for 45 s. Scots the stone, and candle 48 s. Scots the stone.] Bread, tallow, candle.

29 October 1709.

The magistrates and toun councill convened, John Aird, provost, produced in their presence an missive letter direct to him and the bailies from the reverend Mr. Robert Miller, minister of the gospell at Port Glasgow, shewing that on Wednesday last the presbitry of Pasley did deliver to him a call for transporting him from Port Glasgow to Pasley, with the reasons for the said transportation, and had appointed Wednesday the sixteenth of November nixt for discussing the said cause, as the said missive letter more fully contains; which being read in presence of the said magistrates and toun councill, they have given and granted and hereby gives and grants full power and commission to Thomas Hamilton, one of the present bailies, and Thomas Smith, dean of gild of the said burgh, to attend the said presbitry of Pasley, upon the said sixteen day of November nixt, or upon any other day or days thereafter, and to give in and propone answers to the said reasons of transportation, and to do every thing needfull and incumbent to be done in order to the disappointing of the design of the said transportation; as also the saids magistrates and toun councill do hereby recomend to and desire the

Anent Mr. Robert Millers call.

reverend Mr. John Gray, one of the ministers of this burgh, to go alongs with the said baillie and dean of gild and attend the said presbitry and give his aid and assistance in the said matter. And recomends to the magistrats to write to Mr. Robert Miller an answer to his said letter to them.<sup>1</sup>

7 November 1709.

Committee  
for obtaining  
a horse post  
betuixt this  
and Edin-  
burgh.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that there are many complaints made be the foreign tradeing merchants in this burgh, and diverse other inhabitants, of the want of a horse post betuixt the burgh of Edinburgh and this burgh, therefor recomends to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, to address the earle of Godolphin, lord high treasurer, for obtaining an order from him for establishing an horse post betuixt Edinburgh and this burgh as said is, and recomends to provost Rodger that when he goes to London to the parliament to attend the said lord thesaurer with the said address and take the assistance of the duke of Montrose to that effect.

Address sub-  
scribed to the  
Queen.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened have subscribed an address to her Majestie Queen Anne which they recomend to provost Rodger to deliver in an agreeable manner.

8 December 1709.

Commission  
to thesaurer  
to uplift  
£103 12s. 10d.  
in a certificat  
be the ex-  
chequer.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the barrons of her Majesties exchequer have, by certificat under their hands dated the fifteen day of June last, certified that the summ of [£103 12 s. 10 d.] mentioned in their first generall acompt of the publick debts to be due to the toun of Glasgow, is originally due to them for publick debt and is to be payed in the third class of the civil list, as the said certificat bears, therefore the saids magistrats and toun councill do hereby appoint and give full power and commission to John Buchanan, present touns thesaurer of the said burgh of Glasgow, to uplift and receive the said

<sup>1</sup> "Robert Millar, A.M., son of Mr. Andrew Millar, minister of Dailly, studied theology at the University of Glasgow, licensed by the Presbytery, 3rd February, 1697, when all concerned had their eyes set

upon him, so he was called, 22nd March, and ordained, 18th August same year; translated to Paisley, 16th November, 1699," (*Festi Ecclesiæ Soticanae*, II., p. 254).

[£103 12 s. 10 d.] sterling money, and upon his receipt and payment thereof to grant discharge of the same, which shall be a sufficient exoneration thereof.

*2 January 1710.*

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that sundry inhabitants who are about building houses upon the fore streets of this burgh have given in supplications desiring that the councill would allow them to come out further with the fronts of their houses towards the fore street than their former old buildings, in respect neighbouring and adjacent tenements do come further out than theirs, as also the magistrats and toun councill being informed that some other of the inhabitants design likewise, within some short time, to build upon the fore street as said is, who may likely petition to the effect forsaid, therefore the saids magistrats and toun councill do hereby grant full power and commission to the provost, baillies, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, the dean of gilds bretheren, the toun treasurer, Claud Henderson, [and five others] or to any nine of them to be a quorum, to visite if required all new buildings that are to be builded as aforesaid, betuixt and the first of October nixt, and to take to their consideration whether or not the fronts to be built as said is can be allowed to come further out towards the fore street than the former buildings; and if they find that the same may and ought to be allowed then and in that case the saids magistrats and toun councill impowers and appoints the forenamed persons, or their quorum forsaid, to determine how far the saids fronts of the new buildings may be advanced to the high street, and to mark and stobb out the ground and see the same built accordingly; but with this provision that they shall give no allowance to any to take away peatches where they are already built. As also the magistrats and councill considering that the chops lately builded in the head of the Gallowgate and north corner thereof, lately ruined by the last accidentall fire there, are so built as that peatches are to [be] made before the saids chops, when the tenements or any of them are to be built there, therefore appoints and impowers the said commitee or a quorum of them forsaid to determine how far the peatches are to come out upon the front there.

7 February 1710.

Call to Mr.  
William  
Wright.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. William Wright, minister of the gospell at Kilmarnock, to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh.

Mr. Charles  
Murthland,  
burges and  
gild.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Mr. Charles Murthland, professor of the oriental languages in the college, burges and gild-brother of this burgh and remitt his fynes and hold them as payd.

3 April 1710.

Warrant, late  
thesaurer,  
anent Busbie.

Ordaines Robert Hogg, late treasurer, to have allowance in his own hand of the summ of fourscore pounds sterling money, payd out be him to Hugh Montgomerie of Busbie, late provost, which with ane hundered pounds sterling received be him formerly from the toun, conform to his receipt lying in the touns hand, and tuo hundereth pounds sterling received be him out of the equivalent for his first journey to London, upon the Treaty of Union *anno* 1702, is in full payment and satisfaction to the said Hugh Montgomery, not only of his expenses in attending the Treaty of Union at London the said year, and his expenses attending the first parliament of Great Britain at London from October j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and seven to April j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and eight, and in going to and coming from London the said tuo times, but also of all acts of councill in his favours, either for expenses depursed or laid out be him upon the touns accompt or pains in attending at London as said is, or any other manner of way, and particularly of an act of the toun councill in his favours dated the tenth of October j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> tuo, anent his expenses in going to London to the said Treaty of Union,<sup>1</sup> conform to the said Hugh Montgomery his discharge dated the eighteen of February last.

20 April 1710.

Act rescind-  
ing an act in  
favours of  
Mr. James  
Muir for a  
pension.

The magistrats and toun councill do hereby recall and rescind an former act dated the eighteen of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> seven years, appointing an yearly pension of one hundered pounds Scotts to be payed to Mr. James Muir for his encouragment to teach the knowledge and art of mathematicks and navigation within this burgh, and declares the said

<sup>1</sup> *Annea*, p. 361.

act to be voyd and null, and the said Mr. James Muir to have no right to the said pension in all time coming, but prejudice alwise to him of his pension untill the term of Whitsunday nixt.

6 June 1710.

[Mills, 7,600 merks; ladles, 4,760 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,270 merks; Common good  
tron and fishmarket, 1,540 merks; bridge and crane, 1,940 merks,] set.

13 June 1710.

Ordaines John Buchanan, treasurer, to pay to Thomas Hamilton, Warrant for  
chirurgeon, the summ of twenty four pundis Scotts money, whereof twelve Thomas  
pundis for dressing a poor boys fractured thigh bone, by baillie Henry Hamilton.  
Smiths order, and the other twelve pund for dressing a poor womans leg,  
by baillie Hamiltons order.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, there was a petition Petition given  
given in to them by the lairds of Cleghorn, Hardgray, Stobcross, New- in by the  
toun, and others, the creditors and adjudgers of the lands of Kenmure, creditors of  
shewing that [it] is not unknown to the magistrats and councill, when  
the teyndis were in the hands of the late archbishops of Glasgow, they  
alwise gave tacks to the magistrats and toun councill of Glasgow, their  
predicessors, for the use and behove of the community and heritors of  
the barrony, and there were subtacks by the magistrats and councill  
predicessors to the respective heritors of the barrony upon payment of  
a proportion of the tack duty and of the grassums given for the saids  
tacks. Upon the late happy Revolution and abolishing of Episcopacy,  
these teyndis having fallen and belonged to the Crown, and the former  
tack of the teyndis expiring in the year 1702, the magistrats and councill  
did apply to the lords commissioners of her Majesties treasury for a new  
tack of these teyndis, and in January 1704 the lords of the treasury, upon  
the narrative of the tryall and enquiry they had made unto the value of  
the teyndis and an just estimat and value put thereon, did give a new  
tack to the magistrats and toun councill and successors for behove of the  
community and of the heritors of the barrony, for payment of the tack  
duty and burdens therein exprest. As this tack is set for the behove of  
the community and heritors, so by an express clause therein the magis-

trats and toun councill are to communicat the principall tack and grant subtacks to the heritors of the barrony, in so far as concernes the teyndis of their respective lands, upon the heritors paying a proportion of the tack duty and expenses depursed in procureing the tack and grassums advanced therefor. By a posterior clause in the said tack the magistrats and councill are not to make any transaction for freeing the heritors, nor are they to accept of any summ in place of the yearly burdens, but it is declared the same shall continue upon the heritors, effeiring to their respective valuations. And by the last clause in the tack the magistrats and councill are oblidge to grant subtacks of the teyndis to the respective heritors, at the sight of the lords of treasury. From the said tack and clauses therein it is manifest that, conform to the former practice, each heritor of the barrony is to have a sub tack of his own teyndis upon payment of a proportion of the tack duty and other burdens above exprest. The deceist John Colquhoun of Kenmure, one of the heritors of the barrony, his affairs having fallen in disorder his creditors did adjudge his estate, particularly William Campbell of Succoch, and the petitioners did all adjudge the same and tho' he was the first infeft yet the petitioners adjudications are within year and day of his, and so they come in *pari passu* with him and are joint heritors effeiring to their summs, he did apply to the magistrats and toun councill to have a sub tack of the said teyndis of Kenmure and they did grant him a sub tack upon the narative of their tack and the termes thereof, only because the said sub tack does not so expressly bear that it was given to him *qua* adjudger and heritor of Kenmure, he endeavors to exclude the petitioners who are joint heritors with him from any benefite of this sub tack tho' they are perswaded the magistrats and councill had no such design but to give a sub tack in the termes of their tack for the behove of the heritors of Kenmure. . . . Which petition being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill, and they haveing considered the same, and tack granted to them by her Majestie and the sub tack granted be them to William Campbell of Succoch, with the severall conditions of the tack granted by her Majesty, and the ends and uses for which it was granted, are of oppinion that the sub tack granted by the magistrats and councill to the said William Campbell was most agreeable to and in the termes of the tack sett to



the toun of Glasgow by her Majesty, and that the conditions of the said tack were thereby fully observed in so far as concerns the lands and teyndis in the subtack, and that by the said subtack the magistrats are exauctorat as to these in the termes therein mentioned and therefor cannot furdur meddle or interpose therein.

20 *June* 1710.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. John Pasley, minister of the gospell at Lochwhinnoch, to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh.

15 *August* 1710.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, the provost represented that he and the other magistrats having desired provost Rodger, when last at London, to inquire after and aggree with a man fitt for teaching writing, arithmetick and bookkeeping, the want of which being much complained of in this place by many of the inhabitants, he the said provost Rodger, by advice of the magistrats, did aggree with Thomas Mew as one fitted to the purpose forsaid, who was to have twenty pounds sterling the first year and fifteen pounds for each year that thereafter he should teach the saids arts in this place, and that accordingly the said Thomas Mew is come to and is settled in this burgh and began his said teaching the first day of May last; which representation being considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they approve and hereby approves of the said aggreement, and hereby enact and oblidge themselves and their successors in office to make payment to the said Thomas Mew of the said twenty pounds sterling as the first years sallary, quarterly, at the terms [of Lambmes, Martinmas, Candlemas and Whitsunday], and to make payment of the forsaid fifteen pounds sterling, yearly thereafter, also quarterly, at the said four respective termes, and that during the magistrats and toun councill and their successors in office their pleasure only and no otherwise.

Ordaines John Buchanan, treasurer, to pay to John Boyd, chirurgion, twenty four pundis Scotts money for his cureing James Blackburn, workman, of tuo fractures in his legg, being employed thereto by the magistrats, the said James being a poor man.

31 *August* 1710.

Tack of the  
Provand sub-  
scribed.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed an tack to Mungo Cochrane, merchant in Glasgow, Thomas Hamilton and George Buchanan, maltmen, there, Robert Buchanan, baxter, there, and John Hamilton in Provan, equally among them, their heirs and assigneys, of these lands of Provand and others, which are specified in a former act dated the thirty day of August j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and three <sup>1</sup> (wherein the terms of the roup which was then to be made and therein specified are likewise contained in this present tack) and that for the space of nineteen years after their entry thereto, which is declared to be and begin to the arable lands at Martimes nixt and to the houses and grass at Beltan nixt, and to the milne also at Lambmes nixt; by which tack the said Mungo Cochran [and others] are bound, conjunctly and severally, for five thousand and tuo hundred merks as the yearly rent of the lands and others thereby fermed to them, at the termes specified in the tack; which tack contains severall provisions, conditions and obligements, in manner exprest in the said former act, dated the 30 of August 1703, and in another act dated the fourteen of September thereafter, as also with the power to the said tacksmen of winning of coall in manner contained in a former act dated the seventh of February 1704 granted to the former tacksmen.

Precept of  
Clare constat  
to Matthew  
Dinwiddie.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed an precept of clare constat, for infefting of Mathew Dinwiddie, merchant in Glasgow, as nearest and lawfull heir to unquhill Robert Dinwiddie, merchant, there, his father, in all and hail the lands of Jermistoun, paying yearly to the toun ten merks of fewduty, for which the said Mathew Dinwiddie has payd in to John M'Gilchrist, collector of the touns fewduties, [£126 13 s. 4 d.] Scotts, in full of the bygone fewduty, including the years fewduty j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and ten, and the double fewduty as the composition for his entry also included.

30 *September* 1710.

James  
Lowdon and  
John Sheills.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt James Lowdon, merchant, burges and gild-brother of this burgh and remitt his fynes and hold them as payd, at the desire of her grace the dutches of Hamilton;

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 365-7.

as also to admitt John Sheills in Titwood burges and gild-brother of this burgh and remitt his fynes at the desire of the lord Pollok.

Ordaines John Buchanan, treasurer, to pay to each of the toun officers <sup>Toun officers,</sup> three punds Scotts, and to each of the Gorbail officer, James Reid and the <sup>etc.</sup> dempster, thirty shilling Scotts, as use is.

Ordaines John Buchanan, treasurer, to pay to Thomas Hamilton, <sup>Baillie</sup> baillie [£19 18 s.] Scotts for his and provost Rodgers expenses at <sup>Hamilton.</sup> Hamiltoun and the Shotts paying a visite to and conveying away my lord Archbishop Hamilton.

Ordaines the treasurer to pay to John Woddrow, younger, maltman, <sup>Warrant for</sup> [£29 19 s.] Scots money of expenses for building of a dyck upon the <sup>John</sup> side of the toun quarrie, called the Black Quarrie, which is upon the <sup>Woddrow.</sup> high rod and builded for preventing hurt and danger to these who travell upon the said rod.

3 October 1710.

[John Aird, provost; John Bowman and William Donaldson, of the <sup>Election of</sup> merchants' rank, and John Brown, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] <sup>provost and</sup> <sup>bailies.</sup>

6 October 1710.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

11 October 1710.

[Thomas Smith, dean of guild; Mathew Gilmour, deacon convener; Patrick Dean of Mitchell, treasurer; John Buchanan, bailie of Gorbails; John Craig, water bailie; guild, etc. Patrick Cree, master of work; Patrick Mitchell, visitor of maltmen; Andrew Somervell, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

14 October 1710.

[Wheat being at £13 per boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 8 oz. 9 drops; rough Bread, tallow, tallow to be sold for 51 s. Scots the stone, and candle for 54 s. Scots the stone.] <sup>candle.</sup>

The magistrats and toun councill, for good service done and per- <sup>Buriall place</sup> formed to this burgh be Patrick Cree, merchant, present master of work, <sup>to Patrick</sup> do hereby analzie and dispone to and in favours of the said Patrick <sup>Cree.</sup> Cree, his heirs and assignes quhatsomever, heretably and irredeemably, that buriall place number thirty three in the new church yeard of this burgh. . . .

24 October 1710.

Commission  
to dean of  
gild to be  
elector of the  
member of  
parliament.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, there was produced before them an write or precept under the hand of Mr. Archibald Hamilton of Dalserf, shirrif deput of the shire of Lanerk, in name and by order of her grace the dutches of Hamilton, high shirrif of the said shirifdom or county of Lanerk, dated at Hamilton the thirteen day of October instant, relative to a brief or write for election of members to the ensuing parliament of Great Britain, direct to the high shirrif of the said county of Lanerk, dated the twenty seventh of September last j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and ten years, mentioning that, because by advice and consent of her Majesties councill, for certain difficult and urgent affairs concerning her Majesty and the state and defence of her kingdom of Great Britain and churches thereof, her Majesty had ordained her parliament to be holden at Westminster upon the twenty fifth of November nixt to come, the said high shirrif is commanded to cause elect a commissioner out of every royall burgh of the said county, for electing a burges for the class or district out of the discreetest and most sufficient, freely and indifferently, after the forme of a statute made and provided thereanent, and to cause insert the name of the burges who shall be returned to the shirrif, by the clerk appointed for that effect, whether they be absent or present at the election, so that the said burges for himself and the community of the forsaid burghs should have full and sufficient power from them to make and consent to what should then and there, by the common councill of the said kingdom (God willing) happen to be ordained in the abovesaid affairs, so that for want of such power or any improvident election of the said burges the said affairs might not remain undone; therefore the said shirrif deput, in name and by order of her grace the dutches of Hamilton, &c., high shirrif of the said county, and in obedience to the said brief or write, makes intimation thereof to the provost, baillies and councill of this city, requiring and commanding them forthwith to make the said election of a commissioner, as they used formerly to elect commissioners to the parliament of Scotland, and orders their said commissioner to meet with the other commissioners of the burghs of their district, at Dumbartan, as being the presideing burgh of their district at this time, upon the twenty seventh day of October instant, being the thirty day

after the write bears teste, and then and there to choise their burges for the said district to the said parliament, and to do every other thing appointed by the twenty two articles of union and eight act of the parliament of Scotland, in *anno* 1707, and the acts of parliament of Great Britain made in the sixth year of her Majesties reign; as the said write or precept under the hand of the said shirrif deput propors. Which write or precept being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill, they in pursuance thereof do hereby choise, elect, commissionat and appoint Thomas Smith, dean of gild of the said burgh of Glasgow, to be commissioner for them, to meet with the severall commissioners, commissioned and appointed by the remanent burghs of the district, viz., by the magistrats and toun councill of Dunbartan, Renfrew and Rutherglen, and that at the said burgh of Dunbartan, as being the presiding burgh of the district at this time, upon the twenty seventh day of October instant, and then and there to elect and choise an commissioner to represent the said four burghs and district forsaid in the said parliament of Great Britain, to be holden at Westminster the said twenty fifth of November nixt to come; and ordaines James M'Bryd, toun clerk, to give extract of this present act and to affix the publict seall of office of the said burgh thereunto.

*4 November 1710.*

Ordaines Patrick Mitchell, treasurer, to pay to John Boyd, chirurgion, <sup>Warrant for</sup> nine punds Scotts for mendicaments and means used and applyed be him <sup>John Boyd.</sup> for cureing James Clark, a poor man, now deceased, of a broken leg, at the desire of Thomas Hamilton, then baillie.

*28 December 1710.*

Ordaines John Buchanan, late treasurer, to pay to Alexander Watson, <sup>Warrant for</sup> carpenter at Portglasgow, seventy two pounds sterling in full of his <sup>Alexander</sup> accompt of furnishing and workmanship for building a float boat for <sup>Watson.</sup> cleansing the harbour of Portglasgow.

*27 February 1711.*

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed an representation <sup>Representa-</sup> or address to the house of commons of Great Britain in reference to the <sup>tion to the</sup> House of

Commons  
anent salt  
subscribed.

foreign salt imported before May j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and seven, which was taken in custody by her Majesty and sale thereof made to merchants of Britain, with the burden of exporting the same before May 1711, which is not yet exported, craveing that the said burden of exporting may be taken off and the said salt admitted to entry for payment of the duty and bonding the excise as usuall, in respect of the scarcity of foreign salt and little expectation of any to be imported this season; and the subscribing of which is, at the desire of Thomas Clark and Mathew Crawford, merchants in this burgh, tuo of them who bought the said salt from her Majesty; and the magistrats and councill ordaines the provost to retain in his hand the said subscribed representation ay and whill the said Mathew Crawford and Thomas Clark give bond to the toun for keeping them free from all expenses that may be expended in prosecution of the said address before the house of commons, and upon granting whereof allows the provost to transmitt the said representation to Thomas Smith, dean of gild of this burgh, member of the house of commons.

Committee to  
visite the  
quarries.

Ordaines the deacon conveener [and others] to visite the whole stone quarries in the touns common and take to their considerations the best methods and wayes for management thereof most to the behove of the burgh and inhabitants thereof, and to report to the councill.

8 March 1711.

Anent the  
minister of  
Port Glasgow.

The magistrats and toun councill being informed that the synod of Argile have a design to apply for obtaining some parishes of the presbitry of Pasley (whereof Port Glasgow is one) to be united to the said synod of Argile and disjoined from the said presbitry of Pasley; and considering that if the same be obtained it will be prejudiciall to the minister of Port Glasgow and will be to the discouragement of a minister to accept of a call therunto, seeing the event therof will be great fatigue and expenses to him, and so prejudiciall to the intrest of this burgh; and therefor the magistrats and toun councill appoints the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, or any tuo of them, to joine in their indeavours with the presbitry of Pasley, before the generall assembly, commission therof or synod, for obstructing and hindering the said disjunction, and to do every thing incumbent and needfull thereanent.

16 April 1711.

Appoints John Kirk, merchant, to keep the record and roll of the <sup>John Kirk to</sup> dead in this burgh, in place of Andrew Orr deceast, and to have the <sup>keep the</sup> ordinary sallary of three punds Scots per moneth, from the first day of <sup>records of the</sup> dead. Aprile instant, and that during the magistrats and toun councill their will and pleasure allenerly.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, there was a petition Warrant, given to them be John Anderson, writer, indueller in Gorballs, shewing <sup>the tacksmen</sup> that, upon the sixteenth of March last, there fell out an surprizing fire <sup>of Gorballs</sup> in his barn and barn yeard in Gorballs, by which the barn, victuall <sup>for John</sup> therein, and stacks in the barn yeard, with the kiln adjacent thereto, <sup>Anderson.</sup> belonging to the petitioner, were consumed, whereby he sustained the loss of three thousand merks or therby; and seeing the said petitioner is tenent to George Buchanan and Thomas Hamilton, late baillies, and Robert Buchanan, baxter, tacksmen of the lands of Gorballs, for which he pays the yearly rent of nine hundered merk or therby, craveing therefor the magistrats and toun councill to take his case to consideration and exoner him of the last years rent for his present support and supplie. [The magistrats and council allowed the petitioner £155 Scotts] as being the touns fourth part of the rent.

Appoints Archibald Cameron, maltman, to be quarter master of this <sup>Archibald</sup> burgh during the counccills pleasure, and him to have ten pounds sterling <sup>Cameron,</sup> of yearly sallary therefor, payable quarterly, which sallary is to commense <sup>quarter</sup> from the fifteen day of May nixt to come. <sup>master.</sup>

25 April 1711.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that Thomas Peter, <sup>Pryce of</sup> late dean of gild, has now made payment to Patrick Mitchell, toun <sup>tombs and</sup> treasurer, of [£230] Scots, as the pryce of seven tombs in the new kirk- <sup>seats.</sup> yeard, and [£63 6s. 8d.] Scots as the pryce of tuo seats in the said New Kirk, all lately sold, and that the said Thomas Peter has formerly made payment of the pryces of the haill tombs and seats in the said church yeard and church sold of before, and that the tombs in the said church yeard are now all sold and disposed, therfor the saids magistrats and toun councill do hereby exoner and discharge the said Thomas Peter,

not only of the said tuo summs now received be the said present treasurer, but also of his haill bygone intromissions with the pryces of tombs and seats in the said church yeard and church preceeding the day and date hereof, and ordaines Patrick Mitchell, treasurer, to charge himself in his treasurer accompt with the said summs now received be him as said is.

24 May 1711.

Warrant for  
John Bowman.

Ordaines Patrick Mitchell, treasurer, to pay to John Bowman, ane of the baillies, the summ of [£575 12 s. 3 d.] Scots, for cloath to be the officers cloathes, furniture thereof, and for makeing of the same, with hatts, stockings and shoes, furnished to them in Aprile last be the said John Bowman.

Tolerance for  
Isobel Maxwell to keep  
a shop.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, upon a supplication given in to them be Issobel Maxwell, daughter lawfull to umquhill Thomas Maxwell of Milnhouse, shewing that in order to the obtaining of a livelyhood she had a desire to keep a shop and to trade and traffique in this burgh, and therefor craving she may have liberty granted her for that effect; which petition being read in presence of and considered by the said magistrats and toun councill, they granted and hereby grants allowance and tolerance to the said Issobel Maxwell to keep an chop in this burgh, and trade and traffique and expose her goods to sale therein, and that during the councills pleasure.

5 June 1711.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 7,400 merks; ladles, 4,100 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,220 merks; tron, 1,730 merks; bridge and crane, 2,020 merks.]

28 June 1711.

John Mure,  
provost of  
Rutherglen.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt John Mure, present provost of Rutherglen, burges and gild-brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payd, at the desire of the magistrats.

Mr. Alexander Hastie's  
dimission.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that Mr. Alexander Hastie, one of the ministers of the gospell in this city, having by his dimission, subscribed under his hand of the date the twenty sixth day of June instant, mentioning that he takeing to serious consideration his infirm old age and valetudinary condition, whereby he is unable to discharge his



ministeriall function, and being willing and desirous that his flock be provided and his charge supplied, therefor he thereby dimitts his ministeriall charge of the easter quarter of this burgh intirely, in the hands of the presbitry of Glasgow, declareing that for his part the said parish should be held vacant and that it shall be free for the parish and presbitry forsaid, after due intimation thereof by order of the presbitry, to call and plant another minister therin, and consents that the said dimission be recorded in the bookes of the said presbitry *ad futuram rei memoriam*, as the said dimission in itself proports; which dimission the said Mr. Alexander Hastie has given in to the said presbitry in order to their acceptance thereof, and the saids magistrats and councill, judging it but reasonable that the said Mr. Alexander Hastie, for his former service and better subsistance during his lifetime, should have a competent allowance, yearly, out of the stipend formerly payable to him, secured to him during his lifetime, therefor the saids magistrats and toun councill do hereby enact and oblige themselves and their successors in office for payment to the said Mr. Alexander Hastie, yearly, during his lifetime, of the summ of five hundered and fourty punds Scots, as the equall half of the stipend formerly payd to him before his said dimission. . . . And for the said Mr. Alexander Hastie his furdre security thereof the said magistrats and councill have instantly subscribed an bond to him for the said summ of five hundered and fourty punds Scots in the termes abovewriten.

30 August 1711.

Ordaines the clerk to take out from among the instructions of Robert Hogg his treasurer accompt the disposition be Walter Bryce to the toun of the meeting house, and seasine thereon, and place the same among the touns writes in the cabinet, and insert them in the inventar of the said writes.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrats and toun councill takeing to their consideration that by Mr. Alexander Hastie, late minister of the gospell in this burgh, his dimission, the Outer High Church is thereby vacant since Whitsunday last, and has been since supplied by appointment of the presbitry be some

Writes of the  
meeting  
house.

Act for en-  
couragement  
to those that  
preach in the  
Outer Kirk  
now vacant.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, p. 437, footnote.

young men licensed to preach, and that reason and equity requires that encouragement be given to such as have preached since Whitsunday last, or such [as may] preach in the said church by appointment of the presbitry hereafter, therefor the magistrats and toun counsell do hereby ordain Patrick Mitchell, treasurer, to pay in to the presbitry of Glasgow who are to sitt upon Wednesday nixt, the fifth of September nixt, the summ of three score punds, Scots money, which they are to divide among the said young men who have preached and is to preach the fifteen Sabbaths that are from Whitsunday last and preceeding the said fifth of September nixt, being four punds Scots each Sabbath. And as for the supplying of the said kirk in time coming, appoints the master of work to pay four punds Scots for each Sabbath that shall be supplied by young men at the presbitrys appointment as said is, the master of work alwayes receiving from the preacher a precept under the hand of one of the ministers of burgh to that effect, containing the name of him that preached by the presbitrys appointment; and in case any actuall minister shall by the presbitries appointment preach on any Sabbath in the said church, and that he imploy one of the said young men to supplie in his absence in his kirk upon that day that the said minister preaches in the said Outer Kirk, that then the young man that so supplies the ministers absence is to be payd in manner and according to the rules abovewriten; and it is recomended to the magistrats they recomend to the presbitry that in their appointing of young men to preach as said is they have a special regard to those who are inhabitants and residenters within this burgh. And the magistrats and counsell declares that the above act and appointments thereof are only to be binding and continue during the magistrats and counsell their pleasure allenerly.

A shade or  
toofall at the  
bridge to be  
built.

The magistrats and toun counsell takeing to their consideration that the room or howff at the east side of the port on the north end of the bridge is now possest [by] the guard kept there by the dragoons, whereby the tacksmen of the dues of the bridge and cran are deprived thereof for their acomodation and conveniency as formerly, therefor appoints the dean of gild and master of work to consider upon what convenient place within or without the said port there may be a shade or toofall made up for a conveniency to the said tacksmen in place of the said former

room or howff, and them to cause build and make up the said new shade or toofall according as they think fitt for the effect forsaid.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, the provost who was commissioner to the last convention of royall burrows, holden at Edinburgh in Jully last, and Thomas Smith, dean of gild, his assessor, represented that the convention of royall burrows having in a partiall and illegall manner laid on upon this burgh thirty shilling Scots of that part of the ten pund of the tax roll payable by the burghs of barrony and regality, which was not payd be the said burghs and so yet remains unpayd, as also have laid upon the burghs of Aberdeen, Dumfreis, and some other royall burghs, certain parts and proportions of the said remainder for compleiting the said ten punds, that thereupon the said provost and dean of gild and the commissioners of the said other royall burghs forsaids, judging the said remainder of the said ten pund ought to be laid on equall upon the whole royall burrows according to the taxt roll, and not partially and unwarrantably imposed as said is, did enter their protestations against the said partiall procedure of the convention, and did appeal to the parliament of Great Britain for obtaining redress, and further the said provost and dean of gild represented that they had received an letter from John Ross, who was commissioner for Aberdeen, and another from Robert Corbet, who was commissioner for Dumfriece, shewing their and their respective toun, counccills resolution to prosecute the same in order to be delivered from such arbitrary procedures; which representation abovewriten being heard and considered be the said magistrats and toun councill they approved and hereby approves of the provost and dean of gild their said procedure, and are unanimously of oppinion that this burgh do prosecute the said matter and concurr with such other burghs as shall joine with them in prosecuting the same before the parliament, in such manner as shall be thought proper, and recomends to the dean of gild and deacon conveener that, betuixt and the tenth of November nixt, they conveen their respective ranks of merchants and trades and lay this whole matter before them for their opinion therein.

2 October 1711.

[Robert Rodger, provost; William Dickie and Peter Murdoch, of the Election of merchants' rank, and Thomas Hamilton, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] provost and bailies.

5 October 1711.

Councillors chosen. [The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1711.

Dean of guild, etc. [Robert Yuill, dean of guild; Mathew Gilmour, deacon convener; William Gow, treasurer; Patrick Mitchell, bailie of Gorbals; Charles Miller, water bailie; Patrick Cree, master of work; David Robb, visitor of maltmen; Andrew Somervell, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

13 October 1711.

Bread, tallow, candle. [Wheat being now at £10 10s. per boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 oz 10 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 53 s. Scots the stone, and candle for 56 s. Scots the stone.]

22 October 1711.

The sett or the accustomed way in the elections of the burgh. The magistrates and toun councill convened, considering that by an act of the general convention of royal burrows, the whole royall burrows are ordained to transmitt to the clerk to the royall burrows each of their setts and customs in their elections of their magistrats and councill, to be recorded in the books of the said general convention of royall burrows, in manner and to the effect as is more fully specified in the said act; therefor the magistrats and toun councill doe hereby declare the sett or accustomed way of this burgh of Glasgow in their elections of their provost, baillies, toun councill, dean of gild, deacon conveener, treasurer, and others after insert, to be as followes, viz.—By the ordinar sett of the said burgh the toun councill thereof (beside the provost and three baillies) is to consist of the number of thirteen merchants and twelve trades, and if either the dean of gild, deacon conveener, treasurer, or master of work, or all of them, shall happen to be chosen of persons not in the toun councill, they by their election become extraordinary counsellors.

The election of the provost. Upon the first Tuesday after Michalmes (which is the ordinar day of election of those who should bear office as provost and baillies of this burgh for the year ensueing) the provost, baillies, and toun councill convened, doe proceed first to the election of the provost, and the haill councill being removed from the table, except the present provost and

baillies, the said provost and baillies do lite the merchant rank in four lites, and the councill being called to take their place at the table, each of the said four lites are severally voted and one chosen out of each of them, and the said four persons so chosen being removed and divyded in tuo lites, and the said tuo lites being severally voted, there are tuo persons chosen out of the same, and which tuo persons are put in one lite and the same put to the vote which of them shall be chosen as provost, he who has plurality of votes is elected provost for the year ensueing, and he may be elected and continued at the next years election for a second year, but he cannot be lited or elected till tuo years expire after his going out of the office.

Item, after the election of the provost as said is, they doe proceed to Baillies. the election of the three baillies, and the haill counsell being again removed from the table, except the provost elected as is immediatly above writen, and the three baillies who are to be changed, with the late provost or provosts, the saids persons not removed sett down the lites of the merchants and crafts ranks in councill, out of which the three baillies are to be chosen for the year ensueing. The merchand rank who are capable to be lited are divided in four lites, and the councill being called to take their place the said four lites are severally put to the vote and one chosen out of each of them, and the said four persons so chosen being divided in tuo lites, and the councillors of the trades rank being divided in three lites and severally put to the vote, there are three persons chosen which are put in one lite, and the saids three lites of merchants and crafts (after the persons thereon are removed) being severally put to the vote, there is one of the tuo in the first lite of the merchand rank chosen for first and eldest baillie and one of the tuo in the second lite of the merchand rank chosen second baillie for the year ensueing, as also there is one of the three in the lite of the crafts rank chosen as baillie for the crafts rank. And it is also the sett and custom in the election of the baillies that none of the councill who has been elected baillie can be thereafter lited for or elected a baillie till tuo years expire after their being out of that office.

Upon the first Friday after the election of the said magistrats there do convene the present provost and three baillies, and the provost and three

The election  
of the toun  
councill.

baillies that were in office the last year, and the provost and three baillies who were in office as magistrats the year preceeding the last year, which three years magistrats makes up the number of twelve, and if any of the said number be defective in respect of one man being provost tuo of the said three years, or by the absence or death of any of the twelve, therefor these conveened do elect or call for so many persons as shall happen to be wanting of the said full number, of the same quality of the absents, whether they be merchants or crafts, to make up the said number of twelve, who are appointed by the constitution of this burgh to make choise of these who are to bear office as counsellors of this burgh for the year ensueing; and then do proceed to the election of thirteen of the merchand rank, and twelve of the trades rank to bear office as counsellors; which counsellors are elected as follows, viz., the whole thirteen of the merchand rank and twelve of the trades rank who were counsellors the year preceeding are lited with others of the same rank who are not counsellors, and in respect that the present magistrats are chosen out of the last counsell, the late magistrats do come in their place to make up the number and be lited as counsellors, and none of the said thirteen merchants or twelve trades can be lited one with another, but with persons out of the counsell as said is, except in the case when either the dean of gild, deacon conveener, treasurer or master of work shall happen to be extraordinary counsellors by their office they may be lited against as many of the merchands and trades counsellors of the same rank; and in case it shall happen at any time that a considerable number of the counsellors who are elected as said is doe not accept, the magistrats and counsell may and have been in use to elect others in their room and place.

The election  
of the dean of  
gild.

Upon the first Wednesday after the election of the counsell, do conveene the provost, baillies and counsellors, both of the merchants and trades ranks, together with the deacons of the respective incorporat crafts in the burgh, and because that the trades bailie and counsellors and deacons foresaid do exceed the number of the magistrats and counsell of the merchants rank, there are as many merchants added to them as makes the merchants and trades ranks both alike in number, and then there is a lite produced from the merchants house contained in an act thereof under their clerks hand consisting of three persons of the mer-

chant rank, and one of them is chosen be the magistrats and toun counsell and others forsaidis to bear office as dean of gild of this burgh for the year ensueing. Also there is a lite produced from the trades house contained in an act thereof under their clerks hand, consisting of three persons of the crafts rank, and one of them is chosen be the said magistrats and toun counsell and others forsaidis to bear office as deacon conveyener of this burgh for the year ensueing; and in the election of the dean of gild and deacon conveyener the provost has the first vote, and in case of equality the casting vote; but in the other elections has only the casting vote.

Thereafter the merchants and deacons who are added to the magistrats and toun counsell for electing the dean of gild and deacon conveyener being removed, the magistrats and toun counsell put two or three persons on the lite, which is put to the vote and one of them is chosen to bear office as treasurer of the burgh for the year ensueing, and that the lite out of which the treasurer is elected consists of the merchant rank and trades rank *per vices* or year about.

Item, in electing the baillie of Gorballs, the magistrats and toun counsell do put tuo or three of their number on the lite, which is put to the vote and one of them is chosen to bear office as baillie of the Gorballs for the year ensueing, and the lite out of which he is chosen consists of the merchants rank and trades rank *per vices* or year about.

Item, in electing the water baillie, the magistrats and toun counsell doe put tuo persons (either of the counsell or not of the same as they think fitt) upon the lite, which is put to the vote and one of them is chosen to bear office as watter baillie for the year ensueing, and the lite out of which he is chosen consists of the merchand rank and trades rank *per vices* or year about.

Item, in electing the master of work, the magistrats and toun counsell doe put tuo persons of the merchand rank (either of the counsell or not of the same as they think fitt) upon the lite, which is put to the vote and one of them is chosen to bear office as master of work of the burgh for the year ensueing.

Item, there is a lite produced from the incorporation of maltmen, under their clerks hand, consisting of four or five persons of that trade,

which lite being put to the vote one of them is chosen be the magistrats and toun councill to be visitor of the maltmen for the year ensueing.

Visitor of  
gardeners.

Item, there is a lite produced from the incorporation of gardeners, under their clerks hands, consisting of tuo persons of that trade, which lite being put to the vote one of them is chosen be the magistrats and toun councill to be visitor of the gardeners for the year ensueing.

Procurator  
fiscall.

Item, in electing the procurator fiscall of court, there is a lite made be the magistrats and toun councill consisting of tuo persons, which lite being put to the vote one of them is elected procurator fiscall of court for the year ensueing.

And the magistrats and toun councill recommends to the provost to transmitt ane extract hereof, under the clerks hand, to the clerk to the convention of royall burrows, to the effect specified in the said act of the burrows.

Report of the  
tuo houses  
anent prose-  
cuting the  
protest and  
appeall  
against the  
burrows.

The provost, baillies and toun councill being conveened, Robert Yuill, dean of gild, and Thomas Hamilton, one of the baillies (in absence of Mathew Gilmour, deacon conveener), produced tuo extracts of acts, the one of the merchants house and the other of the trades house, both conveened in their respective houses upon the twenty day of October instant, bearing that conform to a former act of the toun councill dated the thirty day of August last, recommending to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to conveen their respective ranks and lay before them the partiall and illegall manner of the convention of the royall burrows in their laying upon this burgh thirty shilling of the ten pund in the taxt roll for which the burghs of barrony and regality were liable, for their oppinion therein, in manner more fully specified in the said former act of the toun councill, they had conveened their respective houses who were of oppinion that the appeall and protest made against the convention of royall burrows, in July last, by this burghs commissioners, deserves to be prosecuted before the high and honourable court of parliament for redress and releif of the unequall burden imposed upon this burgh be the forsaid convention, and that this burgh should concurr with the other royall burghs concerned or that may concern themselves in the prosecution of the said affair, as in the extract of the saids tuo acts more fully and particularly is contained; which being read and considered



be the saids magistrats and toun councill, they do hereby ordain and appoint John Aird, late provost of this burgh, and Thomas Smith, late dean of gild thereof, to go to Edinburgh and there meet and convene with the other burghs who joines with the commissioners for this burgh in the said protest and appeal, and advise and consult upon what methods may be proper and expedient for managing the said affair, and they empower their said tuo commissioners to take with them any other person or persons of the toun councill they think fitt for their assistance in the said meeting; and in the meantime before they go to Edinburgh appoints them to meet with the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveneer, and any other of the councill they please, and take under their consideration what may be the most expedient ways for redressing the said matter, that the same may be offered to consideration at the said meeting at Edinburgh.

3 November 1711.

The magistrats and toun concill, considering that, notwithstanding Committee by tuo former acts the one dated the second of October j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and eight anent purchasing thack and the other dated the first of October 1709, there are commitees houses. appointed to commune with the heritors of the thack houses at the back of the tolbooth anent the touns purchasing thereof, or of so much of the same as may be thought fitt for the touns use, upon the considerations and for the causes exprest in the saids tuo former acts, that yet nevertheless there has been no report made of the said matter, therefor recomends to the magistrats [and others] to take the saids tuo former acts and to inquire anent the worth and value of the saids houses and the writes and securitys of the same, and make their report thereof at the nixt meeting of councill.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, there was a petition A new street given in by thirty persons, heritors of tenements and houses and inhabi- to be made at tants in the Saltmercat, shewing that where in that part of the Saltmercat the well in the Saltmercat. where the well is sett down, in severall of the adjacent closses there are a great many thack houses close upon one another, so that if any accident by fire should happen to arise among the said thack houses the whole Saltmercat would be in danger, and as an addition thereto from that waste ground on the south side of the closs nixt to the well belonging to the

toun, which the baxters for these severall years bygone have made use of for laying and keeping their firewood in great quantities for their ovens, which would be as fewell thereto, and sicklike in that laigh duelling house at the head of the closs of the said waste ground possest be Thomas Scott, baxter, he keeps an oven therein which is very dangerous to the whole neighbourhood, being that the whole smoke of the oven and fire sparks comes out of the door, to the damage of the petitioners houses and chops, and the danger of fire to the whole neighbourhood in stormy nights; for preventing whereof the petitioners in all humility represented that if these tuo dwelling houses possest be Thomas Scott and William M'Clurg were taken down, and the waste land at the back thereof down to the burn on the south side of the closs nixt to the well, belonging to the toun, were taken in and made a publick street or wynd (which as the petitioners are informed were for that end apprysed and bought be the toun) the same would not only be a good common well and great benefite and advantage to the toun many ways, but also in time of fire the burn at the foot of the closs might be dammed and horse and carts might have easy passage for going down and carrying up the watter, and more especially that there are a great many thack houses lying hard upon one another and [narrow] at the foot of the closses, as the said petition more fully proports. Which petition being read in presence of and considered be the magistrats and toun councill, they ordained and hereby ordains and appoints that, after the terme of Whitsunday nixt, the said tuo duelling houses possest as said is be taken down and demolished, and that a calsayed street or wynd be made upon the ground thereof and upon the touns waste ground at the back of the same, from the high street of the Saltmercat to the Molendinor burn, and that to the effect and for the causes above specified, and ordains the treasurer not to sett the said houses to be possest after the said terme of Whitsunday nixt, and recomends to the magistrats to see that the premisses be performed, and to cause one of the toun officers warn the tenents to remove again the said terme, in common forme.

Committee to  
consider  
Mungo Coch-  
ranes peti-  
tion.

The magistrats and toun councill being conveened, there was a petition given in to them be Mungo Cochran, merchant, tacksman to the toun of the lands of Provan, craving that they would appoint any of their

number they should think fitt to commune with him anent the worth and value of the stone park dyke builded be him upon a piece of ground of the lands of Riddrie, and of the bays of houseing builded be him for the saids lands of Riddrie, and to aggree with him thereanent, or otherwise to grant warrand to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveneer to choise one man, and the petitioner should choise another, to value and cognosce on the value of the said dyke, conform to a former act of councill dated October 3d 1709, and upon the bays of houseing what the petitioner shall have therefor, as the said supplication more fully bears; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun councill, they appointed and hereby appoints the magistrats [and others] to call before them the said Mungo Cochrane and take to consideration the matters represented in and desired by his said petition and report their opinion and thoughts thereof to the councill.

20 November 1711.

The magistrats [and others], as a commitee appointed by a former <sup>Thack houses</sup> act, dated the third of November instant, reported that they had met <sup>at the back of</sup> and communed with George Dainyiell, wright, and Mungo Cochrane, <sup>the tolbooth.</sup> merchant, as heritors of the thack houses at the back of the tolbooth, anent the touns purchassing thereof, or of so much of the same as may be thought fitt for the touns use, upon the considerations and for the causes exprest in the said former act and tuo preceeding acts therein mentioned, and that the saids heritors did declare to them that they were willing to referr the value and pryce which the toun should give for the said houses to the magistrats and toun councill their pleasure, but that the reporters had seen none of the securities of the saids lands, they being at Edinburgh, as the saids heritors declared; which report being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill they appointed and hereby appoints and gives full power and commission to William Dickie, baillie, [and others], to aggree and settle with the saids heritors anent the pryce and value of the said thack houses, and to enter into a mutuall contract and aggreement with them, and to obtain them, conjunctly and severally, bund to take doun the said thack houses and carry away the haill stones, timber, thack and other rubbish thereof, and leave the ground

of the same voyd and clean and that betuixt and the terme of Whitsunday nixt to come; as also to make, grant, subscribe and deliver to this burgh an valid and sufficient right and disposition of the saids lands with procuratorie of resignation, absolute warrandice, and other clauses needfull, and to deliver to this burgh a legall and sufficient progress of writes thereof betuixt and the said term of Whitsunday nixt.<sup>1</sup>

18 December 1711.

Dean of gild  
to go to  
Paisley.

[The magistrates and council appointed the dean of gild to attend a meeting of the presbytery of Paisley, on the following day, to join with the feuars of Port Glasgow in arranging for a call being made by that town "to Mr. Charles Coatts, preacher of the gospell, to be minister there."]

26 December 1711.

Petition sub-  
scribed to the  
parliament  
anent the tax  
roll.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a petition, whereof the tenor followes: To the right honourable the knights, citizens, and burgesses in parliament assembled, the humble petition of the magistrats and toun councill of the city of Glasgow, in name of themselves and the community thereof, humbly sheweth that whereas the royall burrows of Scotland have been in use to pay a sixth part of the land tax of that part of the United Kingdom, which has been proportioned by the convention of burrows without any certain rule or standart by which they direct themselves in laying on the said stent other than the discretion of the commissioners of the burghs mett in convention, which practice of late years has been so far perverted by designing men getting themselves selected commissioners for burrows, and the same time not traders or residing in the said burrows, contrary to the ancient rights and privileges of the burrows, that it has evidently tended to the oppression of particular burrows according to the humour of parties prevailling in the convention, and to the overturning the liberties of the burrows in the election of their magistrats and commissioners for parliament, and it being highly reasonable that all taxes and subsidies granted to her Majesty should be equally exacted from all her subjects and according to some rule, may it therefor please your honours to grant such relief in

<sup>1</sup> The agreement made with the heritors council on 29th July, 1712. was reported to and approved of by the town

the premises as your honors shall think fitt, and to ascertain some method according to which the said convention shall direct themselves in prosecuting the respective quotas of the burrows. And the magistrats and town councill recomends to the provost to transmitt the said petition to London to Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, member of parliament for this burgh, to be presented be him.

Ordaines Patrick Mitchell, late treasurer, to remitt by bill to London, <sup>Warrant for</sup> to Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, member of parliament for this burgh, <sup>Thomas</sup> [£66 13 s. 4 d.] sterling money, to an accompt of the expenses depursed <sup>Smith.</sup> and to be depursed be him in applying the parliament and prosecuting before them [the foregoing petition].

*5 January 1712.*

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the new kirk of <sup>Act for</sup> this burgh is vacant, and that they are willing, as reason is, that the <sup>encourage-</sup> young men who have supplied since the first of December last and shall <sup>ment of these</sup> supplie therein hereafter, be encouraged conform to a former act anent <sup>who preach</sup> the supplying of the Outer Kirk, dated the thirty day of August last, <sup>in the new</sup> therefore the magistrats and toun councill ordaines the master of work to pay to each of the said young men that have supplied and preached <sup>kirk.</sup> in the said new kirk, since the said first of December last, four pund Scots for each Sabbath, he obtaining a precept therefor as is contained in the said former act; as also appoints the master of work to pay four pund Scots for each Sabbath in time coming in the termes of and conform to the said former act.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, there was a motion <sup>Touns wright</sup> made that they should elect and choise a wright to be touns wright and <sup>and smith;</sup> an hammerman to be touns smith, whereupon Robert Yuill, dean of <sup>employing</sup> gild, protested that no man who is a counsellor can be employed in the <sup>councillors.</sup> touns work, for by their being so employed they are overawed in their votes, and so no free elections; upon which Francis Stevenson, wright, protested that the dean of gild having a sallary as collector of the touns tuo pennies, he must either quitt the same, or otherways, after his own protest forsaied, he cannot sitt in councill, and further the said Francis protested that the deacon conveener and others of the councill, both of

the merchants and trades rank, have these hundered years bygone been imployed in the touns work and payd for the same, and its optionall to the toun councill to imploy workmen as they please either in councill or out of the same; after which protestations abovewritten the magistrats and toun councill did choise, elect and appoint and hereby chooses, elects and appoints the saids Francis Stevenson to be touns wright and William Telfier, hammerman, to be touns smith; and ordaines and appoints that no other be imployed in the touns wright work or smith work but the said Francis Stevenson and William Telfier, and that during the magistrats and toun councill their will and pleasure allenerly.

10 *January* 1712.

A call subscribed to Mr. Robert Woddrow.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. Woddrow, minister of the gospell at Eastwood, to be minister of the south quarter of this burgh.

24 *January* 1712.

Warrant for Elizabeth Angus.

Ordaines William Gow, treasurer, to pay to Elizabeth Angus, relict of David Scott, workman, a poor widow woman, twelve punds, Scots money, for her supplie and her present necessity.

Provost Aird and the dean of gild to visite Portglasgow.

Appoints John Aird, late provost, and Robert Yuill, dean of gild, to go to Portglasgow and take inspection of the harbour and key there, and consider what reparations are needfull to be made; as also if any person be inclined to take in few any part of the touns ground in Portglasgow that they measure it out to them in the usuall manner, and report to the councill.

Fleshers petition remitted to a committee.

Anent the petition given in be the deacon and masters of the fleshers, craveing a watter barge to be made round the fleshmercat, the magistrats and toun councill recomend the consideration thereof to provost Aird, the dean of gild, deacon conveener and Thomas Peter, who are to report their thoughts to the councill.

Committee to consider William Thomsons petition.

Anent the petition given in be William Thomson, chirurgeon in Glasgow, for himself and childeren, craveing payment for the value of a piece of ground at the head of Gibsons Wynd, belonging to unquhill John Miller, merchant (to whom the said William Thomsons childeren

succeed as heirs), alledged be them to have been taken in by the toun for enlarging of the said wynd, according as the same should be valued by neutrall persons to be chosen by the toun and the said William Thomson and his children for that effect; the magistrats and toun councill recomends to John Aird, late provost, [and others] to take the said petition under their consideration, and to report their thoughts thereof to the councill.<sup>1</sup>

Anent the petition given in be James Stark, baillie at Kilsyth, mentioning that the highway betuixt Kilsyth and Inchbelly Bridge is becoming so [worn], throw the repair from Glasgow to Edinburgh, that its not passable either by cart or coach,<sup>2</sup> and therefor craveing that the magistrats and councill would grant such aid and assistance for mending thereof as they should judge proper, which should be honestly applied to the said intent, as the said petition in itself at more lenth bears; which petition being read and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they recomend to and appoint the magistrats to converse with the petitioner thereanent and to allow what they think fitt towards the repairing of the said bridge and highway, but not to be payd till the saids reparations be sufficiently made.

There was a supplication given in be Charles Anderson, barber, representing the great losses he sustained by the last accidentall fire in the head of the Gallowgate, by the loss of his land and a great part of his plenishing, and a great hurt to his trade for want of conveniency, and that he had sold his burnt land at a chape rate that the same might be rebuilded, expecting assistance and help from the magistrats in his present circumstances, he not being able to build the same himself, and therefor craving a favourable answer, as the said supplication more fully proports; which petition being read in presence of the saids magistrats and councill, they ordained and hereby ordaines William Gow, toun treasurer, to pay to the said Charles Anderson, betuixt and Whitsunday

<sup>1</sup> On 27th May provost Aird and others reported that the ground taken in for enlarging the wynd extended to 46 feet in length and 20 feet in breadth, and the magistrates and council appointed persons to fix its value. On 14th

March, 1713, the value was reported to be 500 merks Scots.

<sup>2</sup> See Glasg. Rec., III., p. 253; Water Supply, etc. (1901), Appx., pp. 9, 10; Scots Lore, pp. 264-6.

nixt, three hundered pundis Scots money, the said treasurer always keeping and detaining in his own hand what seat rents the said Charles is resting to the toun or what he may be resting to the toun otherways.

25 *March* 1712.

Warrant for  
provost Aird. Ordaines William Gow, treasurer, to pay to John Aird, late provost, [£423 9 s.] Scots money, expended be him at Edinburgh, at the generall convention of royall burrows, in the end of January and beginning of February last, whereof [£125 6 s. 6 d.] Scots, in consulting advocats and agents, extracting of instruments and printing representations, as the touns part of the expenses in reference to the appeall from the burrows to the parliament.

Repairing the  
harbor at  
Portglasgow. The magistrats and toun councill convened, John Aird late provost, and Robert Yuill, dean of gild, reported that, conform to a former act dated the twenty fourth day of January last, they had gone to Portglasgow and taken inspection of the harbour and key there and considered what reparations were needfull to be made, and thereafter had drawn up proposalls to John Hunter, measson in Portglasgow, for raising the key thereof from the far end of the same by raising it an eln at the beginning and so on as far as is needfull. [Here follow specification of the work and terms of agreement made with John Hunter for carrying it out.]

15 *April* 1712.

Warrant for  
the provost. Ordaines William Gow, treasurer, to pay to Robert Rodger, provost, [£158 6 s.], Scots money, for his own, provost Airds, the dean of gilda, deacon conveners and others their expenses in attending the last synod at Air anent the call to Mr. Robert Woddrow, and in treating severall of the ministers and gentlemen there.

27 *May* 1712.

Warrant for  
provost Aird. Ordaines William Gow, treasurer, to pay to John Aird, late provost, [£48 6 s. 6 d.] Scots, as his expenses at Edinburgh at the late generall assembly and meeting of the burrows anent concerting of measures how to take up the rentall of the burgh in pursuance to the act of parliament anent the land tax.



The magistrats and toun councill being conveend, there was a Warrant for  
 supplication given in to them be David Robb, younger, maltman, burges David Robb.  
 and gildbrother of this burgh, mentioning that by the late accidentall  
 fire which happened in his house in January last, the most part of his  
 goods and plenishing were consumed, and the most part of the little that  
 was rescued from the flames was carried away by such evill hands that  
 did not restore the same, and thereby he is redacted to straits, and therefor  
 craving such supplie for present straits as in charity the councill should  
 think fitt, as the said petition bears; which being considered be the  
 magistrats and toun councill they ordained William Gow, treasurer, to  
 give to the said David Robb, petitioner, one hundred merks Scots money  
 of charity to supply him in his present straits.

Mary Campbell, spouse to Archibald Campbell, younger, merchant, Warrant for  
 burges of this burgh, gave in a supplication mentioning that where on Archibald  
 complaint by the neighbourhood against her husband he was, by order wife.  
 of the magistrats, imprisoned within the tolbooth, where he yet remains,  
 for disturbing of the neighbourhood and committing severall abuses that  
 the neighbourhood could not live in safety if he were allowed to have  
 liberty to go out and in at pleasure, he not being sound in his judgment,  
 and that the petitioner haveing been at the expenses of mantaining him  
 in prison since February last, at which time he was imprisoned, beside  
 the mantaining her three small childeren, and that she has not where-  
 upon she may gett them all subsisted, and therefor craving the magis-  
 trats and councill would take her poor case to consideration and allow  
 her what they think fitt towards the alimentering her husband in prison;  
 which being considered be the magistrats and councill, and it being  
 known to many of the councill the poor circumstance of the petitioner,  
 and likewayes the distemper of her husband, that it would be dangerous  
 to the neighbourhood if he were sett at liberty, therefor they ordain the  
 master of work to give to the petitioner twelve shilling Scots, weekly,  
 to the effect forsaid, and to commense at the first of June nixt, and so  
 to continue during the said Archibald Campbell his remaining in prison  
 for the causes forsaid.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, considering that there Anchorage for  
 is exacted of anchorage at the harbour of Greenok of each ship four Greenok,  
 Gouruk, and  
 Crawfords-  
 dyke vessells.

merks, of each vessell with tuo top saills tuo merks, of each gabart six pence, of each open boat that hath a cokboat six pence, of each boat five or six tunn four pence, and of each yeoll tuo pence; and of anchorage at the harbor of Crawforddyke of each ship ten groats, of each bark twenty shilling Scots, of each gabart six pence, and of open boats four or five tunns three shilling Scots; and of anchorage at the harbour of Gowrok of each vessell with tuo topsaills tuo merks, of each gabart six pence, of each boat four or five tunns burden four pence, and of each yeoll tuo pence; and that the saids dues are at the saids respective harbours exacted of all ships, boats and other vessells belonging to Glasgow and Portglasgow; and it being but just and reasonable that the vessells, boats and others belonging to Greenok, Crawforddyke, and Gowrok should pay the like dues of anchorage at the harbour of Portglasgow as they exact off the vessells, boats and others belonging to Glasgow and Portglasgow at their saids respective harbors; therefor the magistrats and toun councill do commissionat, nominat and appoint James Couper in Portglasgow to be shoresman at Portglasgow, and to exact and uplift of all vessells, boats and others belonging to Greenok, Crawforddyke and Gowrok, at the harbour of Portglasgow, the like dues for anchorage as the vessells, boats and others belonging to Glasgow and Portglasgow do pay at the saids respective harbors of Greenok, Crawforddyke and Gowrok; and to commence at the first of June nixt and to poynd and distrinzie for payment thereof, and this present commission in favours of the said James Couper to continue during the magistrats and toun councill their pleasure, the said James Couper holding compt for his intromissions. And likewayes grant warrand to the said James Couper to cause close up the vents that are drawing up closs to the back of the touns cellars and girnells of Portglasgow, being very prejudiciall thereto.

English  
weights to be  
used in  
buying and  
selling.

The magistrates and toun councill conveened, the dean of gild represented that he had received a representation, subscribed by severall of the merchants of this burgh, mentioning that it had ever been the care of all tradeing places to observe an uniformity in their weights and measures, and that the lawes of this kingdom, particularly the Union act, had made speciall provision thereanent, yet they had it to complain that sundry of their neighbors in this burgh did not observe these laws

but sold and bought foreign goods and merchandize and also English goods with the old weights used before the Union, or with the new weights, as made best for their purpose, whereby trade was very much discouraged and the countrey people ensnared, who generally had not the foresight of making of their bargains to determine by what weight they were to receive the goods bought by them; and seeing it would tend very much to the reputation and advantage of the please that such practices were remeided for the future and one kind of weight used throw out this burgh, therefor craveing he would appoint the new English weight to be observed and used by all merchants and others in this burgh, both in buying and selling of all foreign and also of all English goods and wares, and to take such course for puting the laws in execution made concerning weights as should seem expedient, as the said representation bears; which being considered be the magistrats and toun councill, they ordain the new English weight and none other to be observed and used by all merchants and others in this burgh, both in buying and selling of all foreign and also of all English goods and wares in time coming, and recomends to the dean of gild to punish the transgressors conform to law, and do impower and recomend to the magistrats to emitt and put throw an proclamation throw this burgh, with tuck of drum, intimating the same, that none may pretend ignorance hereof.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by an act of this present session of parliament anent the land tax it is thereby enacted that an estimat or valuation be made of the true and reall rent of all the lands, tenements, burrow-roods, milns, fishings and other hereditaments that they have been in use to be taxed within the severall burrows, and that the said estimat or valuation of the reall rent shall be the rule by which the convention of burrows shall ascertain the proportion of each burrow in the tax roll; and in order to the makeing a just estimat of the reall rent of each burrow the magistrats and toun councill of each burrow in that part of Great Britain called Scotland are thereby required and impowered to appoint five or more persons of their toun councill, together with the toun clerk or his deputy, to draw up an exact accompt in writing of the true and reall rent of the severall lands, tenements, milns, fishings and other hereditaments which are or have

Estimat and  
valuation of  
the lands and  
tenements  
and others  
within this  
burgh.

been subject to pay cess in the said burrow, and the persons so appointed to draw up this agreement to sign it and deliver it to the magistrats, makeing oath at the same time before them that the said accompts contains all the lands, tenements and hereditaments that are taxable within the burrow, and the true value of them, to the best of their judgments; which accompt or valuation forsaid being delivered to the magistrats by the persons appointed to draw it up, the magistrats are thereby required to send it by their commissioner to the generall convention which is to meet at Edinburgh in July nixt, there to be recorded and kept as a rule by which the proportion of the said burrows shall be ascertained in the tax roll, as in the said act at more length is containd; therefor the magistrats and toun councill, in pursuance thereof, do nominat and appoint the persons afternamed, of their number, to draw up an exact accompt in wryting of the true and reall rent of the severall lands, tenements, milns and other hereditaments which are or have been subject to pay cess wthin this burgh, vizt., [two persons for each of the north, middle, east, south and west quarters]; and for the acres about this burgh, with the liberties and territories thereof, and milns and others within the burgh, [other two persons]; and ordaines and appoints the saids persons to draw up the saids accompts and to sign it and deliver it to the magistrats, makeing oath before them at the said time that the said accompt contains all the lands, tenements and hereditaments, that are taxable within burgh, and the true valuation of them to the best of their knowledge, and that gainst the twenty of June nixt to come. <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> From the "rental of the lands, tenements, burrow roods, mills, and other hereditaments, that were or have been in use to be taxed within the burgh of Glasgow . . . taken up by the persons" appointed by the

magistrates and council on 27 May, 1712, and occupying 72 pages of writing, Andrew Brown, in his History of Glasgow, published in 1797, printed the following particulars:—

	House- holders.	Of whom were Landholders.	Rental in Scots Money.		
			£	s.	d.
East quarter, ... ..	846	93	25,500	3	0
South quarter, ... ..	877	185	19,523	14	8
West quarter, ... ..	787	227	21,763	5	4
Middle quarter, ... ..	470	104	17,203	6	8
North quarter, ... ..	689	246	10,091	0	4
	3669	855	94,081	10	0

The magistrats and toun councill do statute and appoint that after the first Tuesday of June nixt, all burgesses, inhabitants, bearing scott and lott within this burgh, be liberat and exeemed from the eight pennies on the tunn of duty at the Broomilaw which formerly they were burdened with, and only strangers to be burdened with the said dues of the Broomilaw as formerly (excepting actuall burgesses of Renfrew and

Burgesses to be free of the 8d. on the tun at the Broomilaw.

Brought forward, ... .. £ 94,081 s. 10 d. 0

## RENTAL OF THE BURROW ROADS.

	Bolls.	Firlots.
Broomielaw Croft, paid to the College, ... ..	17	2
Do. do. the Merchants House, ... ..	50	0
Do. do. the Town by 5 tenants or feuars, ... ..	19	1
Pallion Croft, possessed by 4 feuars, ... ..	25	2
Long Croft, do. 9 do., ... ..	52	1
Provaside and Crubbs, possessed by 13 feuars, ... ..	102	0
Garnagadhill and Hartfield, possessed by 24 feuars and tenants, ... ..	181	2
Cowlairs, belonging to the Trades, ... ..	50	0
Flemington, do. George Danzeil, ... ..	18	0
Moodies Mailing and Peters Mailing in Blythswoods Parks, ... ..	13	0
Limehouse bog, ... ..	49	1
Rent of the Limehouse, ... ..	1	0
Dowhill, the heirs of John Robertson, ... ..	27	2
Do. the College, ... ..	25	2
Gallowmuir, held by 39 feuars and tenants, ... ..	331	1
Petershill, belonging to the Town, ... ..	25	2
Towns Mill lands, ... ..	30	0
Wester Common, belonging to the Town, ... ..	20	2
	<u>1039</u>	<u>2</u>

1039 bolls 2 firlots converted into money at the rate

of £100 Scots per chalder, ... ..	6,496	17	6
The mills belonging to the Burgh, as per roup, ... ..	4,800	0	0
The New Green of the Burgh, as per roup, ... ..	1,520	0	0

106,898 7 6

£106,898 7s. 6d. Scots money = £8,908 3s. 11½d. sterling. The Rental is dated 23 June, and was given in to the Convention on 16 July, 1712. (Brown's History of Glasgow, II., pp. 88-97; Convention Records, V., p. 54.)

Dumbartan); and this to be one of the termes of the roup of the dues of the Broomilaw for the ensueing year, after the said first Tuesday of June nixt and in time coming, during the magistrats pleasure.

Fishmercat.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the tacksmen of the fishmercat do suffer other goods to be laid in the fishmercat than fish and the touns ladders, which are appointed to be kept there, do therefor statute and ordain that the tacksmen do suffer no goods to be put or kept therein, or any other use to be made of the said fishmercat by the tacksmen or any others, or kine being killed therein, but allenerly for the sale of fish and for keeping the touns ladders therein; and this to be one of the termes of the roup thereof for the ensueing year and in time coming, during the magistrats pleasure.

The entry under the chirurgeons hall to the Trone Church.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that there is a common entry, with doors therein, to the Laigh Church, under the chirurgeons hall, which for some years bygone the tacksmen of the trone have closed up and made use thereof by keeping goods therein and allowing fleshers stands to be cast therein, do now, for the furder convenience and enlargement of the entries of the said Trone Church, prohibite and discharge the tacksmen of the trone to make any use of the said entry under the chirurgeons hall, but ordains the same to be made voyd and redd and kept open for publick entry from the said Trone Church; and this to be one of the termes of the roup of the trone the first Tuesday of June nixt.

John Alexander to go out of town and his burges ticket to be cancelled.

John Sym, procurator fiscall, gave in a complaint against John Alexander, heell maker, burges of this burgh, mentioning that he was very active in the late unaccountable mobbs and rabble in this burgh, inciting and stirring up others to the same, and when commanded by the magistrats of this burgh to withdraw and go home he positively refused and continued in the said mobb, stirring them up as said is, and therefor he ought to amitt and loss his liberty and privedge as burges and gildbrother, which he formerly gott gratis, and deliver up his burges and gildbrother ticket to be cancelled and otherwayes punished in his person and goods, in terror of others to committ the like in time coming: which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill, and the said John Alexander being called before them, who compeired, William Dickie and Thomas Hamilton, baillies, declared in presence of

the councill and before the said John Alexander, that the time of the mobbs being conveyen and gathered at the cross and on the streets, they saw the said John Alexander among them, and having spoke to him at different times, one after another, and required him to withdraw and go home he disobeyed and continued still among the rabble and did not withdraw, albeit severall times required; which being considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill they, in respect of the declarations of the saids tuo baillies, ordain the said John Alexander to be incarcerat within the tolbooth, therein to remain whill he give up to the magistrats his burges and gildry ticket to be cancelled, and likewise to remain in prison till he find caution that he, with his wife and family, shall remove from and leave this burgh and not return thereto to reside therein, and that within ten days after the finding the said caution, and recomends to the magistrats to see the same performd and fulfilld accordingly.

3 *June* 1712.

[Mills, 7,200 merks; ladles, 3,650 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,360 Common good merks; tron and fishmarket, 1,980 merks; bridge and crane, 1,900 merks.] set.

10 *July* 1712.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by a former act, <sup>Persons appointed to value the</sup> dated the twenty seventh day of May last, they had nominated and <sup>suggaries, roapary, soapary, and glesserie.</sup> appointed severall of their number to take and draw up ane exact account of the true and reall rent of the severall lands, tenements, milns and others hereditaments, which are or have been subject to pay cess within this burgh, in maner and to the effect specified in the said act, and that conforme thereunto the saids rentalls are given in and signed, but in respect that the said valuers have not valued and given in ane estimat of the rent of the Easter and Wester and South sugaries, roaperie, soaparie and glesserie in this burgh, as to these pairts thereof as are in the proprietars their oun posession and made use of by them for their work and not sett to tenants, in respect the samen had never been subjected to pay cess, the magistrats and toun councill doe now nominate and appoint Henry Smith [and others], six of their number, to estimat and value the true and reall rent of these pairts of the saids Easter,

Wester and South suggaries, roapary, soapary and glassary in this burgh as are in the proprietars thereof their own possession and made use of by them for their work and not sett to tenants, and give in the account thereof to the magistrats upon oath.

2 August 1712.

Cameron,  
burges and  
gild.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Hugh Cameron, sclaiter, burges and gild brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payd for his being usefull and serviceable in helping to suppress accidentall fires in this burgh and other services done and to be done be him to the toun, and particularly for his taking down and setting up the ship on the top of the stiple of the Merchants Hospitall.

Warrant  
for John  
M<sup>c</sup>Gilchrist  
and others.

Ordaines William Gow, treasurer, to pay to John M<sup>c</sup>Gilchrist, wryter, twenty four pounds, Scots, to Gilbert M<sup>c</sup>Meikine, servant to the clerk, eighteen pounds, Scots, and to John M<sup>c</sup>Meikine, also his servant, six pounds, money forsaied, for their extraordinary pains in wryting and drawing up the accompts of the whole land rentalls in this burgh.

Warrant for  
Mr. Scougall.

Ordaines William Gow, treasurer, to pay to John Scougall, elder, painter, fifteen pound sterling money, as the pryce of the picture of her Majesty Queen Anne, painted and furnished be him, and now put up in the councill house of this burgh.

George Lukes  
petition re-  
mitted to a  
committie.

The magistrats and toun councill, upon a petition given in be George Luke, eldest lawfull son to the deceist John Luke, merchant (*alias* Fair John) and Issobell Anderson, relict of the said deceist John Luke, as having right to that tenement of land, high and laigh, back and fore, lying on the east side of the Saltmercat, nixt and adjacent to the old houses belonging to this burgh, now taken down in order to make a street or wynd there, conforme to a former act, dated the third day of November last, which petition contains a representation of the touns carrying away of some stones, in which the petitioners alledges they have some interest, and that their tenement are disaccomodated by taking down of the gavill betuixt the toun and them, and therefore craving that the magistrats and toun councill would take the petition to consideration and grant to the petitioners such suitable help and supplie as they shall think fitt for helping the supplicants in their present circumstances.



as the said supplication more fully bears; which supplication being read in presence of the said magistrats and toun councill they appointed and heirby appoints the magistrats [and others] to visite the place where the said gavill was and to lyne the same and mark out the place where the new gavill should be builded, as also to take to their consideration the desire of the said petition anent help or supplie be the toun, and to report their thoughts to the councill.

The magistrats and toun councill, upon a supplication given in to Committe on them be James Corbett, baxter in Glasgow, shewing that in his building of a house on the north side of that closs nixt to and above the well on the east side of the Saltmercat, whereanent he was complained of to the dean of gild bretheren and toun councill by John Glen, elder, James Cluney, William Gow and Patrick M'Vey, merchants, for incroaching on the common closs, and the councill had found that the petitioner was to build so as to leave eight foot of the closs free from his building, with which the petitioner complies, but humbly craves libertie of coming out with his hanging stair as heretors on the other side of the closs doe, as the said supplication more fully and particularly bears; which supplication being read in presence of the said magistrats and toun councill they appointed and hereby appoints the magistrats [and others] to visit and sight the said James Corbetts building and take to their consideration the desire of the said petition, and report their thoughts thereof to the councill.

7 August 1712.

Robert Rodger, provost, . . . and others of the committee appointed by a former act, daited the second day of August instant, . . . reported that they, with the dean of gilds bretheren, had sighted and visited the said duelling house where the gavill thereof should be built, and that it was their opinion that the councill should grant to the petitioners libertie to come out with their gavill [in the particular way and on the conditions there specified].

Robert Rodger, provost, . . . and others of the committie appointed by a former act daited the second day of August instant, . . . reported that they, with the dean of gilds bretheren, had sighted

James Corbetts petition.

Report of the committie anent George Lukes petition.

Report of the committie anent James Corbetts petition.

and visited the said petitioners building and considered the desire of his petition, it was their opinion that the same could not be granted; which report being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill they approved and heirby approves thereof.

The provost  
and his assess-  
sors manage-  
ment at the  
burrows  
approven.

Robert Rodger, provost, commissioner to late general convention of royall burrows, and John Aird, late provost, and Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, his assessors, reported the proceedings of the said convention of burrows, together with their management in conjunction with the burghs of Perth, Aberdeen, Dundee, Dumfries, Elgin, and some others, in opposition to the measures taken be the toun of Edinburgh and their adherents to sett aside the clause in Land Tax and for settling the proportions of the burrows in the tax roll; which being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill, they approved and heirby approves of what was done by their said commissioner and his said assessors;<sup>1</sup> and furdur declare that it is their unanimous opinion that the said rule of the land rents be insisted upon and prosecuted with the greatest care and dilligence, as the only expedient to deliver this burgh from the unequall burden which they have for a long tyme born in the stent roll of the royall burrows.

Shawfields  
petition re-  
mitted to a  
committie.

There was ane representation given in to them be Daniell Campbell of Shawfield, mentioning that the strand or sayre before his new builded lands and other heretors adjacent, at the West Port, does run westward alongest that side of the street to St. Tennochs burn, but that the strand or sayre without the West Port, for want of casting, hes not a currency but the water stops and gorges before the representers lands, that sometymes they cannot have access to their lands, and therefore craving the councill to sight and visit the same and to ordaine the said sayre or strand without the West Port to be casten and laid so as the water may have free current, and to discharge the keeping of middinstairs betuixt the calsie and the said strand or sayre, as the said representation bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill, they doe appoint and impower the magistrats, dean of gild, deacon conveneer and the dean of gilds bretheren of counsell, to consider the said repre-

<sup>1</sup> Particulars of the proceedings referred Records, V., p. 7, *et seq.*  
to will be found in the printed Convention

sentation and determine and doe therein as they think fitt, and the major pairt of them to be a quorum.

19 August 1712.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. John Call subscribed to Mr. Scott, minister of the gospell at Carluke, to be minister of the east John Scott. quarter of this burgh.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to Mr. John Call subscribed to Mr. Hamilton, minister of the gospell at Avendale, to be minister of the John Hamilton. south quarter of this burgh.

2 September 1712.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane humble address Ane address to the Queens Majesty and recomends to the magistrats and Thomas Smith, subscribed to her Majestie. late dean of gild, to transmitt the same to London.

The magistrats and toun councill doe heirby enact and ordaine that Act in favours James Govane, merchant, shall be free of stent for trade during his of James Govan. lyfttime, and that he and his spouse, the longest liver of them tuo, shall be free of paying money to the poor by billgats, and that upon consideration of the considerable mortifications made be him to the Merchants and Trades houses.

Appoints the magistrats [and others] to meet with Coline Campbell Committie to of Blythswood and common with him anent the touns purchassing from commune with Blyths- him of his miln called South Woodsyde Miln, and to make their report wood anent his milne. to the councill.

The provost [and others] represented that John Achincloss, baxter, Act in favours being to take doun his fore house on the west side of the head of the of John Achincloss. New Wynd and upon the south side of the Trongate street, they at his desire did visit the place and it was their opinion that he might come out with the front of his new building four foot and tuo inches from the out side of his old fore wall to the fore side of the new wall to be built by him, and that he should have no priveledge of a stair off the street, and that he should lyne his said front from the outside of his said four foot and tuo inches in a straight lyne to William Barclays fore wall, and not to lyne from or have any regaird to William Gemmells windscue

which comes too far out, which representation being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill they approved and heirby approves of the samen.

30 September 1712.

Election of  
provest and  
bailies

[Robert Rodger, provost ; Thomas Peter and Robert Bogle, of the merchants' rank, and Thomas Hamilton, of the crafts' rank, bailies.]

3 October 1712.

Councillors  
chosen.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

8 October 1712.

Dean of  
guild, etc.

[Robert Yuill, dean of guild ; John Graham, deacon convener ; John Craig, treasurer ; Robert Alexander, bailie of Gorbals ; John Armour, water bailie ; Patrick Cree, master of work ; David Robb, visitor of maltmen ; John Rid, visitor of gardeners ; John Sym, procurator fiscal.]

11 October 1712.

Bread, tallow,  
candle.

[Wheat being now at £10 10s. Scots the boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 oz. 10 drops ; rough tallow to be sold for 53 s. Scots the stone, and candle 36 s. Scots the stone.]

Presentation  
to Mr.  
Thomas  
Davidson for  
being minis-  
ter of Port-  
glasgow.

The magistrats and toun councill, as having the only right to present and provyd a minister to their new erected kirk and parroch of Portglasgow, now vaccant by the transportation of Mr. Robert Miller, late minister thereof, as having obtained the erection in favours of their port of Portglasgow, and as owners thereof, builders of the house for worship, and as they who are to provyd a minister with a stipend, conforme to the decreet of erection in favours of the said port, have subscrivit a presentation in favours of the reverend Mr. Thomas Davidson, minister of the gospell, to be minister of their said new erected church and paroch of Portglasgow ; and appoints Robert Yuill, dean of gild, and John Grahame, deacon conveener, to attend the presbitry of Paisley on the twenty second instant, at Paisley, and present the said presentation to the said presbitry in order to their taking tryall of the said Mr. Thomas Davidsons qualifications for the function of the ministry in the said new erected paroch and being found qualified to admitt him thereto. And after production of the said presentation appoints the magistrats [and others]

to follow furth and prosecute the effect of the said presentation in order to the ascertaining of the touns right in presenting against all others pretending right to present.

The magistrats and toun councill doe heirby appoint Robert Steven-<sup>Robert Stevenson</sup>son, glazier, burges of this burgh, [to perform the work undertaken by <sup>overseer to the High Church.</sup> James Lochhead on 20 March 1703, *antea* p. 362, and on same terms, from 1st November next]; and appoints that the toun treasurer shall make no payment of the said yearly sellary of tuo hundered merks until the dean of gild for the tyme, at the end of each year of the said Robert his service, do visit the glass windows and fabrick of the said kirk and find that he has fathfully served, wrought and performed as is above-wryten; and appoints the dean of gild and deacon conveener, against the tyme of the said Robert Stevensons entery, to sight, visit and inspect the glass windows of the said High Church and fabrick thereof and take cognition of the case thereof, and if James Lochhead, glasier, who was formerly imployed, hes performed and done according as he was oblidged, and to report their dilligence to the councill.

25 October 1712.

There was ane supplication given in to them by Elizabeth Galbraith, <sup>The fewduty of Mr. Robert Campbells kilne discharged.</sup>relict of the deceist Robert Leitch, maltman in Glasgow, mentioning that where there is ane malt kiln in Wester Craigs which belonged to umquhill Mr. Robert Campbell, which payes of ground annuall or fewduty to the toun the soume of six pounds Scots money, to which kiln she hes right by woddsett for more than the true worth thereof, which is all she can expect for her money, and which ground annuall and fewduty is resting since the year j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nynty five, which has been occasioned by the said kiln its standing waist and wanting reparation, and its now in a ruinous condition and will undoubtedly fall in the pott, whereby the toun will loss ther ground duty and she her money, she not being in a condition to repair the same, which will take considerable expenses, and to pay the bygone ground duty with stent, having three smal childeren and nothing whereupon to bring them up but what she getts of charity from others, her husband having gone abroad and lost in a ship that was blowen up going to Norroway, and therefore craving the councill

to take her case to consideration and free the said kiln of the ground annuall, and take from her seventeen years purchase in lieu of all bygones and in tyme coming, which she is willing instantly to pay in to the touns collector of the touns few dutys and ground annualls, that theirby she may have encouragement to build and repair the said kiln and gett something out thereof towards the support of her poor family, as the said supplication bears; which being read in presence of and considered be the said magistrats and toun councill, and that John M'Gilchrist, the touns collector of the said few dutys and ground annualls, acknowledges that the petitioner hes put into his hand eight pound ten shillings sterling as being seventeen years purchase for the said ground annuall for the touns behoove, upon their granting of the act afterspecified; therefore, in respect of the said petitioner her poor condition and circumstances, the magistrats and toun councill does heirby accept of the said eight pound ten shillings sterling [and discharge not only all arrears but also the feu-duty in all time coming].

25 November 1712.

John  
M'Gilchrist  
clerk deput.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, considering that James M'Bryd, their clerk, is for present valitudinary and cannot without danger to his person attend upon and exerce his office of toun clerkship, doe therefore heirby impower him to grant deputation to John M'Gilchrist, wryter in Glasgow, to exerce the said office of toun clerkship of this burgh as his deput during his indisposition and whill he recover his health and be able to exerce the same himself.

Warrant for  
the provost.

Ordains William Gow, late treasurer, to pay to Robert Rodger, provost, [£4 17 s. 3 d.] sterling, paid out by him for thirty three pynts and a half cherry sack, at tuo shillings and ten pence per pynt, and for a ruber to hold the same, given to the Queens advocat for service done to this burgh.

Commission,  
Partick  
milne.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a commission to Robert Campbell of Balvie, wryter to the signet, the touns agent, to compear before the barrons and court of exchequer at Edinburgh, and for and in name of the toun to quitt and overgive that miln called the Old Miln of Partick, presently possessed be this burgh, which formerly belonged to the archbishop of Glasgow and now in her Majestys hands,

to the effect the same may be disposed on, brooked and possessed be her Majesty, and others in her name, from and after the first Fryday, at four of the clock in the afternoon, after the first Tuesday of June next to come; and this burgh be free thereof and of the duty in use to be payed by them for the same from and after the said tyme.

The magistrats and toun councill, for themselves and in name and behalf of the said burgh and community thereof, undoubted patrons of that kirk within this burgh called the new kirk, formerly called the Blackfrier Kirk near the Colledge, and paroch thereof, being the south quarter paroch of this burgh now vacant, have subscribed ane presentation in favours of Mr. John Hamilton, minister of the gospell at Aven-dale, to be minister of the said kirk called the new kirk of this burgh, formerly called the Blackfrier Kirk and paroch thereto belonging, being the south quarter paroch of this burgh, and to the stipend in use and wont to be payed to the minister of the said kirk and paroch, and that for all years and terms in tyme coming during his serving the cure.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the east quarter paroch of this burgh is now vacant and destitute of a minister, throw the deceise of Mr. Alexander Hastie, last minister thereof, and that there are now endeavours and means used towards the planting of the said east quarter paroch with a minister, and judging it necessar that the minister who shall come to be placed and settled as minister of the said east quarter paroch should be secured as to the stipend formerly payable to the minister of the said quarter, which was one thousand and eighty pound Scots, therefore and for preventing and obviating of any objections that may arise thereanent, the magistrats and toun councill doe heirby bind and oblidge themselves and their successors in office for payment to the minister that shall be placed and settled as minister of the said east quarter paroch of this burgh of the said soume of ane thousand and eighty pound Scots money of stipend, yearly, during his serving the cure thereof, according as the samen has been formerly payed to his predecessors.

19 December 1712.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, commissioner to the parliament for this district, is to

Provost Aird  
to go to Edin-  
burgh.

goe away within some few days to the parliament, and that the commissioners for these burrows who are in conjunction with this burgh in opposition to the measures taken by the toun of Edinburgh and their adherents, for setting aside the clause in the Land Tax act for settling the proportion of the burrows in the tax roll, are to meet at Edinburgh before their going to London to concert on measures for standing by the clause in the said Land Tax, doe therefore appoint John Aird, late provost, to goe in with the said Thomas Smith to Edinburgh and to concert with the saids other burrows what may be most proper to be done in reference to the said clause in the said Land Tax.

Mungo Cochran, 1000 merks for building the park dyck in Provan.

Ordaines Patrick Mitchell, late treasurer, to deduce and allow to Mungo Cochrane, merchant, the soume of ane thousand merks, Scots money, out of the first end of the years tack duty of the lands of Provan, due by him to this burgh for the cropt and year of God j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and ten years, and to discharge the said Mungo Cochrane of the said one thousand merks accordingly, and that to be in full satisfaction and contentation to the said Mungo of all that he can ask, seek or crave from this burgh upon account of his incloseing and building of a park dyck in the saids lands of Provan and building of houses on the lands of Riddery in Provan, or of any acts of councill in his favours in reference to the building of the said park dyck, the said Mungo alwise in the first place not only granting discharge to this burgh of what he can ask, crave or seek from the toun upon account of the said park dyck and buildings forsaid, and acts of councill in his favours in reference thereunto, but also granting his obligation to this burgh that during his subtenents their possession of the said park they shall uphold, keep and mantain the said park dyck in a suficient case and condition, and at their removeall therefrae shall leave the said park dyck in a sufficient case and condition, under the penalty of three hundered merks attour performance.

The chyrurgeons representation remitted to a committie.

There was ane representation given in be the faculty of the chyrurgeons, burgesses in this burgh, mentioning their gift ratified in parliament, the letter of deaconry from the toun in favours of the chyrurgeons and barbers, decreet arbitrall pronounced be the councill upon ane submission betuixt the chyrurgeons and barbers daited the sixteen September, 1707,



and agreement thereafter entered into betuixt the chyrurgeons and barbers; and complaining that the barbers doe incroatch upon the said chyrurgeons rights and priveledges, by pretending right and priveledge of ane vote in the admission of all intrant chyrurgeons and in the determination of the quota of the freedom fynes of all such intrants, and that the same ought to be applyed or joynted to their joynt stock for mantainance of the poor *in cumulo*, and that upon the barbers their applying themselves to the conveyeners house thereanent, whom the chyrurgeons declyned as not being competent but only the magistrats and toun councill, and appealed to the said toun councill, which declinator and appeall was repelled by the conveyeners house; and they fand that in the case of Mr. William Stirling, chyrurgeon, or any others in his case offering to enter with the trade, that the whole joynt trade of chyrurgeons and barbers ought to have vote in the admission of any such intrant and in the determination of the quota of the freedom fyne of any such intrant, and that the same ought to be aplied and joynted to their joynt stock for mantinance of the poor *in cumulo*, and therefore craving the magistrats and councill to take the said representation to consideration and to rescind and annull the decreet and sentence pronounced by the deacon conveyeners house, and to find and declare that the chyrurgeons allenerly, exclusive of the barbers, have the undoubted right to examine, enter and impose freedom fynes upon all chyrurgeons, and whereas the barbers pay in to the joynt stock ane hundered pound for the entery of every stranger barber, that they may not complain the chyrurgeons are willing to pay als much, the superplus alwise belonging to the chyrurgeons and their seperat stock; as also craving that the freedom fynes of the deaconry be fixed to be ane hundered pound and not exceeded without consent of the magistrats and councill, who are the only authors of the letter of deaconry, and farder that the contract of agreement may be ratified by the councill, as the said representation in itself at more lenth is contained; which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill, they appoint the magistrats [and others] to consider the said petition and representation and conveyen all pairties concerned before them and receive in their answers and replys and hear them thereupon, and to report their judgement therein to the councill.

3 January 1713.

Warrant for  
provost Aird. Ordaines William Gow, late treasurer, to pay to John Aird, late provost, [£126 6 s. 8d.] as his and Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, his expenses at Edinburgh in meeting with the rest of the dissenting burrows and consulting what was fitt to be done to gett the clause of the Land Tax bill continued, whereof [£40 6 s. 8d.] for the touns pairt in consulting advocats thereupon, and the remainder as their charges and expenses the said tyme.

Committie on  
the coall-  
masters in  
Gorballs,  
their petition. There was an supplication given in be John Shiells in Titwood and Allan Dreghorn in Muir of Gorballs, coallmasters, shewing that their tack to the coall in the lands of Gorballs, from the principal tacksmen, is near expyreing, and that the coall work there will cease if the toun doe not renew their tack, being that their work there at present is [so] far run that they cannot sett down more shanks nor lay themselves further out towards the further prosecuting of the coall till they be assured the toun lenthen their tack, and therefore craving a new tack of the said coall for so many years as the councill shall think fitt, for paying of the same duty as they payed to the principall tacksmen, or otherwayes that the councill would appoint some of their number to commune with them and conclude upon the terms the said tack is to be granted, as the said supplication bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill, they impower and appoint the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveneer, with William Donaldson, preceptor of Hutchisons Hospitall, to meet with the said coallmasters and consider upon the terms of the tack of the said coall to be granted, and to report to the councill.

Mill-dam of  
the touns new  
milne upon  
Kelvine. Francis Wark, milner at the touns new miln upon Kelvin, gave in a representation mentioning that Walter Gibson, late provost, had lately inclosed a peice of ground lying in the bosom of the new miln dam which takes in about tuo thirds of the said ground, and for fenceing of the other side has drawn a large ditch from the upper end of the dam straight throw till it come to the end of the dam at the miln, and turned the water that way, which hes allready undermined the dam and carried away a pairt thereof with the firm ground which secured the dam at that end, and hes now turned it unto a gulf, which if not speedily prevented the whole water of Kelvine will run without the miln dam

and thereby the toun lose the benefite of their milnes there, being that the water will run by beneath the milns and none of it come within the dam, as the said representation bears; which being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill, they recomend to and appoint Robert Rodger, provost, [and others] to visit and sight the said incroatchments made by the said Walter Gibson and to consider upon what is proper to be done to prevent furdur dangers and remeiding of what is done, and to report to the councill.

Appoints the dean of gild [and others] to sight, visit and inspect the glass windows of the Hieh Church and fabrick thereof, and take cognition of the case and condition thereof that the same may be known how it is now at Robert Stevensons entery to the said glass work of the said fabrick.

Glass of the  
Hie Church.

13 January 1713.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that James M'Bryd, Clerk for this their clerk, is now deceased, do therefore nominat and appoint John M'Gilchrist, wryter, to be their clerk for this sederunt, who compeired and accepted of the said office and gave his oath *de fidei*.

soderunt.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane representation to the parliament in reference to the clause in the Land Tax act to be heard by their councill at London, in case the toun of Edinburgh and these joyning with them apply the parliament for altering thereof, and recommends to the provost to transmitt the same to Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, their commissioner to the parliament now at London, that he may make use thereof in case need be.

Representa-  
tion sub-  
scribed to the  
parliament.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, there was ane supplication given in to them be the bellmen of this burgh, mentioning that by the privat burials in this place off the ordinary tyme becoming customary and not makeing use of the bell, their wages are greatly diminished and their liveliehood thereby so far restricted that from many that have privat burials they gett nothing, and therefore craving the councill would consider the same and lay doun some methods for to prevent the deminishing of their ordinary wage by these privat burials; which being read in presence of the saids magistrats and councill they

The bellmens  
petition re-  
mitted to a  
committie.

remitt the consideration thereof to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveyener and John Aird, late provost, and recomends to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to lay the same before their tuo houses and gett their opinion theirin, and to report.

Alexander  
Finlayson  
elected prin-  
cipall clerk  
and John  
M'Gilchrist,  
deput clerk.

The magistrats and toun councill conveyened, takeing to their consideration that now throw the deceise of James M'Bryd, toun clerk of this burgh, the office of clerkship thereof is now vaccant, and how necessar it is that the said vaccancy be filled and supplied, and being fully asured and having sufficient proove of the fitness, qualifications and integrity of Alexander Finlayson, one of the under clerks of session, for exercing the said office, and withall considering the many good services done and performed by him in the affairs of this burgh, and that he is a person most acceptable to the magistrats, toun councill and community thereof; and furdur considering the qualifications, fitness and integrity of John M'Gilchrist, present clerk deput of this burgh, and his readiness and knowledge in the said office and affairs of the burgh, and his capacity to serve as deput clerk and to supply the absence of the said Alexander Finlayson; after mature deliberation thereanent, and with a special regaird to the interest of the burgh, do elect, choyse, nominat and appoint the said Alexander Finlayson to be toun clerk of this burgh and the said John M'Gilchrist to be deput clerk thereof and to supply the absence of the said principall clerk, and both to continue during the magistrats and toun councill their pleasure; with power to them to bruick, use and enjoy the said office and haill priveledges, liberties, profites, fies and emoluments thereof, as any of their predecessors, clerks of this burgh, have done, they being alwise subject and lyable to keep and observe the regulations of the pryce of the dues as toun clerk in maner as they are mentioned in anc act of the toun councill daited the fourteen day of February j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>c</sup> and nynty four years, or such other regulations thereanent as hereafter may be made; and compeared the forsaid John M'Gilchrist and accepted of his office as deput clerk and gave his oath *de fidei administratione officii*; and recomends to the provost to signifie to the said Alexander Finlayson, by a line, that he is chosen principall clerk of this burgh.

27 February 1713.

The magistrats and toun councill, for preventing abuses done in the High Kirk yearld by making of graves and buriall places within the samen, do nominat and appoint William Thomson, younger, late deacon of the taylours of this burgh, to have the overseeing of the making of the saids graves and buriall places, and to imploy what servants he pleases for doing the same, and to receive the ordinar allowance and dues therefor as others of the grave makers got formerly, and that no ground be broken in the said kirk yearld for digging of graves without the said William Thomson his advyce thereto, and his entery thereto to be from the second day of March nixt; and appoints him to give account of the names and number of the severall buried dead, weekly, to John Kirk, keeper of the records of the dead.

The provost represented that he had received a letter from the earl of Wigtoun anent the building of the bridge of Kirkintulloch, lately fallen by the great inundation, with the draft of a petition to the parliament to be signed by the justices of the peace, heretors and freeholders in Dumbartan shyre, the magistrats of this burgh, Stirling, and others nixt adjacent to the toun of Kirkintulloch, craveing leave to bring in a bill for the rebuilding, keeping up and maintaining the saids bridge of Kirkintulloch and casseys thereof, and to grant to the earle of Wigtoun such certain duties and customs for that effect and for such a term of years as the parliament shall think fitt; which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill they recomend to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to conveene their tuo houses of merchants and trades to consider upon the same, and to report their thoughts theirin to the councill.

Appoints the dean of gild to cause build and close up the oppen or vaccuum betuixt the Outer High Kirk and the quier above the stone wall, with daills, to the rooffe.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane tack of the touns proportion of the lands of Gorbals and muir thereof, with the touns fourt pairt of the drawen teynd of Gorbals, with the liberty of the teynd barn and barnyard, conforme to use and wont, to Thomas Calder, merchant, George Buchanan, maltman, Robert Buchanan, baxter,

and Thomas Findlay, baxter, for nynteen years, and their entery to be at Martimass nixt, for payment to the toun, yearly, of ten merks Scots for ilk boll of fifty nyne bolls, and sua proportionally for ane furlet victuall, as the old rentall of bolls for the touns pairt, formerly payable be the tenents and posessors of the saids lands, with fifty eight pound Scots of silver rent, yearly (the fewdutys being excepted out of the tack and reserved to the toun), together with the fourth pairt of nyne hundred thirty nyne pound Scots, being the touns pairt of the drawen tyends of Gorballs . . . as also paying to the toun the fourth pairt of sixteen hundred merks as the grassum enteres to the saids lands at their entery, viz., Martimess j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and thirteen years.

Milner to be warned away. Appoints that William Buchanan, milner of the toun miln, be warned away to flitt and remove frae the said miln against Whitsonday nixt.

14 March 1713.

Alexander  
Finlayson  
clerk accepts  
his office.

Compeared Alexander Finlayson, lately elected toun clerk of this burgh, and accepted of his office and gave his oath *de fidei administratione officii*, as use is; and lykewise in obedience and conforme to ane act of her Majestys parliament of Great Brittan, begun and holden at Westminster the 23d of October 1707, in the sixth year of her Majestys reign, entituled Ane act for the better security of her Majestys person and government, did take, swear and subscribe the oath insert in the said act and conforme thereunto.

Warrant for  
Samuel  
Carruth.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to Samuell Carruth, measson, [£385 5 s.] Scots for building of the walls and incloseing of that peice of ground at the back of the tolbooth acquired be the toun, making ane window in the turnpyke of the tolbooth, filling up of jawholls there, building of a peice of the Laigh Church dyck, putting in of batts in the bridge, mending of St. Tennochs bridge, Partick bridge, Borrowfield bridge, the bridge without the water port, mending of slops and holls in the Green dyck and in the High Church yeard and for furnishing lyme, sand and stones to the said work; all conforme to a particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

Mew, burges  
and gild.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Thomas Mew, wryting master, burges and gild brother of this burgh, and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed, at the desyre of Robert Rodger, provost.

20 April 1713.

The magistrats and toun councill, taking to their consideration that during the vaccancey of the office of clerkship of this burgh, after the death of George Anderson, sometyme clerk thereof, the dues and perquisits of the said office were for the ease and advantage of the neighbours and inhabitants of this city considerably impared and restricted from what had of before been in use to be exacted by and payed to the clerk, and regulat to such an allowance and particular dues as hes since that tyme been found to be a very narrow provision of itself for such a charge and trust, and seeing these regulations have ever since the making thereof been strictly observed and have so far obtained that they are become ane knowen rule to all the neighbours and inhabitants of the city, who can hereafter be in no hazard of being imposed upon by exaction in that office, and that upon the deceise of James M'Bryd, their late clerk, Alexander Finlayson, ane of the under clerks of session, was duly and legally elected, nominated and appointed to be toun clerk of this burgh, and John M'Gilchrist to be depute clerk thereof and to supply the absence of the said principall clerk; and the saids magistrats and councill having full and sufficient proofs of the zeal, care and concern exprest by the said Alexander Finlayson for the welfare and prosperity of this burgh and advancing and promoting the service and interest thereof on all occasions, and his steady adherance thereto for a long tract of tyme, and being also satisfied with his fittnes, qualifications and integrity, therefore and in token thereof and for remunerating and requiting his services to and for this burgh, and for other good and weighty considerations moving the saids magistrats, give, grant and dispoise to the said Alexander Finlayson, for all the dayes of his lyfetye, all and hail the office of clerkship of this city, to be bruiked, exerced and enjoyed by him during all the dayes of his lyfetye, with all fies, profits, dutys and casualities belonging thereto, used and wont, and whereof any of their former clerks were in possession, in the terms of and conforme to the forsaid regulations, as is contained in ane act of the toun councill of this burgh daited the seventeen day of February j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and nynty four years; with full power to the said Alexander Finlayson during all the dayes of his lyfetye to use and exerce the said office in councill and else where, in and by all things

Alexander  
Finlayson  
made clerk  
during his  
lifetime.

that to the office of clerkship of this burgh is knowen to appertain; and they nominat and appoint the said John M'Gilchrist to be deput clerk of the said burgh and to supply the absence of the said principall clerk; whereupon there being ane gift and disposition drawn in the terms forsaid produced before them the same was this day subscrivit be the saids magistrats and toun councill and delivered up to the said Alexander Finlayson, as the same containing warrandice at all hands at more lenth propoerts.

A double seat  
in the new  
church given  
to Mistris  
Dunlop.

The magistrats and toun councill conveyened, considering that upon account of severall good offices done and performed to this burgh by the deceist William Dunlop, principall of the Colledge in this burgh, that double seat number (*blank*) in the new kirk of this burgh, upon the south pairt of the said kirk, the entery whereto is by the trance leading from the west door southward by the kirk wall, and which is nixt to and on the south syde of the pulpit and bench, and hes since the building of the said kirk been posesst by the said Mr. William Dunlop and his family during his lyfetye, and since his deceise by Sarah Carstares, his relict, was designed to have been given to the said Mr. William Dunlop for the behove of him and his family as a token for his good offices and a right granted to him thereof, which hes not been done, therefore the magistrats and councill doe heirby ordaine and appoint the said double seat abovementioned to appertain and belong to the said Sarah Carstares, his relict, and after her deceise to the childeren of the said Mr. William Dunlop, declaring heirby that it shall not be leissum to them at any tyme hereafter to make any alterations upon the said seat without the speciall licence and allowance of the dean of gild for the tyme had and obtained thereto, and the alterations if allowed being alwise wrought by the touns wright for the tyme.

15 May 1713.

Address sub-  
scribed to her  
Majestie.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane humble adress to the Queens Majesty, and recomends to the magistrats to transport the same to London.

Warrant for  
the deacon  
conveener,  
officers.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to John Grahame, deacon conveener, [£339 16 s. 6 d.], Scots, for makeing of and furnishing to the



officers cloaths, with hatts, stockings and shoes to them, all furnished be the said John Grahame in Aprile last, conforme to ane particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

Robert Yuill, dean of gild, gave in ane account of expenses depursed be James Couper in Portglasgow, on the touns accompt, in cleansing the harbour of Portglasgow from the third of May, j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and twelve, to the eighteen of Aprile, j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and thirteen, and for nyne and ane half barrells hering, made with great salt, sent to London, on the touns accompt, to the touns friends, by way of charge and discharge, whereof the charge extends to [£66 5s. 4d.] sterling, and the discharge to [£4 4s. 4d.] received by him for sand ballasts, and sua that there rests of ballance to the said James Couper [£62 1s.] sterling; which sum the treasurer was authorised to pay.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that William Buchanan, Milner of the miln, hes for some tyme bygone officiated as milner of the miln, and that he hes now, by a wryte under his hand, declared he is willing to quyte the said milne, therefore the magistrats and councill doe heirby nominat and appoint Alexander Rankine, maltman, to be milner of the said toun miln during the councills pleasure, he alwise serving the inhabitants honestly and faithfully in the said office, and keeping up and mantaining the said miln in a sufficient condition.

2 June 1713.

[Mills, 8,400 merks; ladles, 3,400 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 950 merks; Common good tron and fishmarket, 1,660 merks; bridge and crane, 1,800 merks.] set.

2 July 1713.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane tack of the coall in the touns lands of Gorballs and muir thereof in favours of John Sheills in Titwood, for ane third pairt, Allan Dreghorn in Meikle Govean, for ane third pairt, Mathew Watson and Andrew Park in Muir of Gorballs, equally betuixt them, for ane other third pairt, for the space of nynteen years from their entery, which is at Whitsonday nixt; for the which tack the saids John Sheills, Allan Dreghorn and Mathew Watson and Andrew Park are bound and oblidged, conjunctly and severally, to pay to the toun

for each hutch of coall of the ordinary measure now in use to be got out of the saids lands of Gorballs, during the years of the tack, the soume of three pennies Scots (excepting the coalls in use and wont to be allowed to the saids tacksmen and their coalziers, workers at the said coall, for burning in their oun houses), begginning the payment of the said three pennies for the hutch and that so soon as ever the first hutch of coalls in the saids lands shall be brought above ground, after Whitsonday nixt, and that weekly, monethly or quarterly, as the magistrats and counsell pleases, which tack contains several clauses and provisions.

Warrant for  
Thomas Orr.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to Thomas Orr, clerk to the presbity of Glasgow, twenty pounds Scots for his pains and service in the tuo calls of Mr. John Hamilton and Mr. John Scott, ministers, to this burgh.

Warrant for  
William  
Bogle.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to William Bogle, merchant, three pound sterling, for supply to him in his present straits, he being appointed by the magistrats stampmaster of the linnen cloath in prospect of getting something thereby for his livelyhood, which hes not answered expectation.

Warrant,  
thesaurer, for  
Floick bridge.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to (*blank*) ane hundered merks Scots for helping to defray the charges and expenses in building and repairing of Floick bridge and mending and helping the casseys thereof, but not to be payed till the work be compleated and finished.

William Tel-  
fert to keep  
the haill  
clocks and  
chims.

The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that by a former act daited the thirty day of September j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and tuo years, the keeping of the chims and clocks in the tolbooth steeple and clock in the Merchants House steeple, Hutchisons Hospitall and High Kirk, was committed to David Weir, for which he had tuo hundered and fifty merks of sellary, yearly, and was to continue only during the counclls pleasure, the magistrats and counsell for certain causes and considerations doe heirby rescind and recall the said act in favours of the said David Weir and all former acts made in his favours for keeping of the saids clocks and chims, and having sufficient prooffe and experience of the fittedness of William Tailferr, hammerman, for keeping of the said clocks and chims, therefore they heirby appoint the said William Tailfer to keep and order the chims and clock in the tolbooth and clocks in the Merchants House steeple,

Hutchisons Hospitall and Hie Church, from and after the first day of August nixt to come, for which he is to have the said tuo hundered and fifty merks, yearly, of sellary, he being at the charge and expenses of ringing the bell in the Merchants House steeple; and appoints the treasurer and his successors in office to make payment to the said William Tailfer of the said tuo hundered and fifty merks of sellary yearly from and after the said first day of August nixt, and declares this present act is only to continue during the magistrats and counccills pleasure.

Appoints the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Mr. John Hamilton Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Scott, burges and Mr. John Scott, tuo of the ministers of the gospell in this burgh, ton and Mr. Scott, burges burgesses and gild bretheren thereof, and remitt their fynes and hold and gild. them as payd.

Grants allowance and tollerance to Janet Barr, widow in Glasgow, to Tollerance to use a free trade. keep ane shop in this burgh and trade and traffique, and to expose her goods to sale theirin, at the desire of Thomas Hamilton, baillie.

Ordaines the clerk to lay up among the touns papers the whole tacks The clerk to lay up the touns tacks and other wryts. granted be the toun to their tacksmen, with the bands due by the tobacco company, which were assigned to the toun be the managers of the late burrow tack and bond be Sir James Smollet and Sir William Meinzie, with the equivalent note in favours of the toun for the money was paid by the toun for the aliment of the French prisoners taken by Captan Campbell, mentioned in the rests of the treasurers accompts, to the effect the saids wryts may be made furthcoming when the toun hes occasion for them.

. 4 August 1713.

Anent the petition given in be William Struthers, merchant, mentioning that he having a yeard at the back of the well in the Candlerig Street, and there being a peice of waist ground betuixt the well and the dyck of his yeard, left for ane entery to the back side of the well, which is for no use to the toun, the same being turned common where people ease themselves and doe cast filth and other excrements, which is very noysom, whereby not only the entery to the backside of the well is stopped, but also he wants free access to his yeard, and he being designed to build upon his said ground and make a tenement of tuo story height, with a sclaited rooffe, he cannot well doe the same unless he gott in the William Struthers petition remitted to a committie.

said peice of ground betuixt the well and his yeard dyck, and therefore craving the magistrats and counsell would allow him to take in and come out with his building to the lenth of the well, leaving the three sides of the well free and patent for the inhabitants use for drawing their water; as the said petition bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and counsell, they remitt the consideration thereof to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, and to hear William Gow, merchant, and others of the neighbourheid upon their pretensions, and to report their thoughts to the counsell.

Warrant for  
John Aird.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to John Aird, late provost, [£423 0 s. 8 d.] Scots, as his and Robert Yuill, dean of gild, and John Grahame, deacon conveener, their expenses at the generall convention of the royall burrows at Edinburgh, in the moneth of Jully last, and in consulting advocats, lawers, wryters and others, and drawing up of appeal from the conventions procedure to the Queen and parliament.

Provost Aird  
and his assess-  
sors their  
management  
at the  
burrows  
approven.

John Aird, late provost, commissioner to the late generall convention of the royall burrows, Robert Yuill, dean of gild, and John Grahame, deacon conveener, his assessors, produced in counsell ane double of the act past in the said convention and reported that they, with other burghs adhering to them, had made several protestations against the said convention their arbitrary and unequall way of procedure in their ascertaining the proportion of the tax roll on each burgh, viz., the valuation of lands, the trade and common good of the burrows, without mentioning what proportion each of the three should bear nor how to make the same practicable, and their rejecting of such overtures made for a rule as might secure the burrows from partiality and inequality, viz., by ane estimate or valuation of the free rent of the severall burrows, wherefore they had appealed for remeid to the Queen and parliament; as also that the said convention had brought in the missive not only extravagant fees but also considerable sommes for gratifications and charges pretended to be given out in opposeing and endeavouring to remove the clause of the Land Tax act, 1712, and had proportioned the same on the dissenting burghs beyond their proportions by the valuation against which they also protested, as is at more lenth mentioned in the double of the acts of the said convention now produced; and further reported that they, with the

other burghs adhereing to them, had consulted their case and circumstance with lawers, and it was their oppinion that in respect the convention had now ascertained and settled the proportions of the dissenting burghs their cess for the year 1712 to be conforme to the estimates given in, and that the toun of Edinburgh did not pay the proportion of the dissenting [burghs] conforme to their offer, that the generall receiver would gett summar dilligence by quartering or otherwise against the dissenting burghs and no judge would suspend or prevent the generall receivers dilligence, that therefore for preventing trouble and expenses and the umbrage which the government might take at the dissenting burghs for refusing chearfully to pay up the cess, it were more proper for the said burghs to pay up their cess, conforme to their estimate, under protestation that their so paying the same out of affection to her Majesty and for support of the government, shall nowise prejudice them of recourse against the other burghs for what they pay more then their due proportion upon a revaluation of the other burghs; and as to the affair of the missive that how soon a charge were given to any of the dissenting burghs, that the whole should suspend upon severall heads and reasons mentioned in ane memoriall drawn up by the saids lawers thereanent, the double whereof the forsaid reporters produced; which report abovewryten, being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and counsell they approved and heirby approves of the saids reporters their procedure and management in the said convention and of the protestations and appeal made be them, and declare their adherence thereto and their unanimous consent to prosecute and follow furth the same.

16 *September* 1713.

The magistrats and toun counsell conveened, there was produced before them ane wryte or precept, under the hand of Mr. Archibald Hamilton of Dalsèrf, sherrieff depute of the shirreffdom of Lanark, in name and by order of her grace the dutchess of Hamilton, high sherrieff of the said shirreffdom or county of Lanark, daited at Hamilton the fifth day of September instant, relative to a briefe or wryte for the election of members to the ensuing parliament of Great Brittan, direct to the high sherrieff of the said county of Lanark, daited the eighteen day of

Commission  
to Robert  
Bogle, baillie,  
to be elector  
of the member  
of parliament.

August last bypast, mentioning that because by advyce and consent of her Majestys councill, for certain difficult and urgent affairs concerning her Majesty and the state and defence of her kingdom of Great Brittan and churches thereof, her Majesty had ordained her parliament to be holden at Westminster upon the twelfth day of November nixt to come, there to treat with the members of the said parliament and conferr with them, the said high sherriff is commanded to cause elect a commissioner out of every royall burgh of the said county for electing a burgess for the class or district to which the said burgh does respectively belong, one of the discreetest and most sufficient, freely and indifferently after the forme of this statute made and provyded thereanent, and to cause insert in indentures the name of the burgess who shall be returned to the said sherriff by the clerk appointed for that effect, whither they be absent or present at the said election, so that the said burgess for himself and for the community of the burghs of that district may have full and sufficient power from them to make and consent to what shall then and there be the common councill of the said kingdom (God willing) happen to be ordained in the above said affairs, so that for want of such power or throw any improvident election of the said burgess the saids affairs may not remain undone; therefore the sherriff deput, in name and authority of her grace the dutchess of Hamilton, high sherriff of the said county, and in obedience to the said brief or wryte makes intimation to the magistrats and councill of this city requiring them furthwith to make the said election of a commissioner for this burgh, as they used formerly to elect commissioners to the parliament of Scotland, and orders their said commissioner when so elected to meet with the other commissioners of the burghs of their district at the burgh of Renfrew (as being the preceeding burgh of their district at this tyme) upon the seventeen day of September instant, which is the thirty day after the day of the teste of the said brief or wryte, and then and there to choyce their burgess for the said district to the said parliament, and to doe every other thing appointed by the statuts and acts of parliament made thereanent, specially the act *anno sexto Anne Regine*, and what is furder directed by the wryte abovenarrated, as the said wryte or precept under the hand of the said sherriff depute proports. Which wryte or precept being read in presence

of the saids magistrats and toun councill, they in persueance thereof choyce, elect, commissionat and appoint Robert Bogle, ane of the present baillies of this burgh, to be commissioner for them to meet with the severall commissioners commissioned and appointed by the remanent burghs of the district, viz., by the magistrats and toun councill of Dumbartan, Renfrew and Rutherglen, and that at the said burgh of Renfrew, as being the presideing burgh of the district at this tyme, upon the said seventeen day of September instant, and then and there to elect and choyce ane commissioner to represent the said four burghs and district forsaid in the said parliament of Great Brittan, to be holden at Westminster the said tuelfth day of November nixt, and ordaines the clerk to give extract of this present act to the said Robert Bogle for his warrand.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by the tack of the teyndis the toun is oblidged to apply the soume of ane thousand merks Scots money yearly towards the reparations of the cathedrall church of this burgh, to be sighted by the earle of Glasgow, the Lord Pollok and Sir William Stewart, or any tuo of them, and that the expenses of the saids reparations of the said cathedrall preceeding the first of September instant are now revised and approven by the said Lord Pollok and Sir William Stewart, therfore and to the effect there may be a clear and particular accompt kept of the said expenses in tyme coming, that the toun loss not throw ommission, the magistrats and councill ordaine and appoint the master of work to give in ane double of his accompts from tyme to tyme as he expends on the said cathedrall church, to the toun clerk, and the same to be booked in a book to be kept apairt by the clerk for that effect, and discharges the said master of work to pay any soume for reparations on the said cathedrall, extending to ten shillings sterling or upwards, without receipt from the workmen, certifieing hereby that if he doe in the contrary and that the said accompt of his depursments be not given in by him from tyme to tyme to the clerk to be booked as said is, the same will not be allowed to him.

Master of  
Works  
accompts on  
the Hie  
Church.

[John Craig, treasurer, gave in the following account, which was  
“approven of and allowed by the lord Pollok and Sir William Stewart,  
two of the overseers”:—]

Hie Church,  
account of  
treasurer.

THE TOWN OF GLASGOW debtor to John Craig, town treasurer, upon account of what he depursed and paid out and furnished towards the reparation of the Hie Church, as follows, since March 1713 to 1st September 1713.

Inprimis, to five long hundreded daills and ane short hundreded daills, and ten daills, at 15 shill. the peice, furnished be him to the making up of the partition wall betuixt the queir and Outer Kirk, and other reparations in the Hie Kirks since March 1713, ... ..	£	s.	d.
	532	0	0
To sawing 210 of the saids daills, at 9 pound per 100, is ... ..	18	15	0
To 130 foot firr timber to the said use, 14 shill. 6 d. per foot, is ... ..	94	5	0
To sawing six draught long trees, 12 shill. per draught, is ... ..	3	12	0
To sawing 18 draught trees at 6 shill. 8 d. per draught is ... ..	6	0	0
To 200 sclaits is ... ..	3	12	0
To 2 chayres for the Outer Kirk, ... ..	3	0	0
To Mathew Gilmour for 115 stone ten pound weight lead, at 2 merks per stone for the use of the kirks, ... ..	154	3	4
To said Mathew Gilmour for 12 lb. 7 unce plate tin for said use, at 10 shill. per pound, ... ..	6	4	4
To Patrick Cree for 40 stone 3 lb. lead to said use is ... ..	53	11	8
To Francis Stevenson, wright, for himself and servitors for wright work wrought be him in the Outer and Inner Kirks, in putting up the partition wall betuixt the Outer Kirk and queir, and making up a broken pend and purple wall and new portall doors, anl lyning a purple wall behind the west loft, and scaffolds to the work, and sarking and lyning the sparrs and taking off the lead and putting on new, and to pleasterers conforme to particular accompt, ... ..	220	0	0
To Robert Stevenson, glazier, for new glass windows to the session house and tirlies, and 95 foot wair to the back of the councill loft, and his attendance on the workmen above three moneth, ... ..	102	12	0
To William Tailfer, hammerman, for smith work and others furnished to the Hie Kirks the forsaide tyme, ... ..	70	18	0
	1268	13	4



[The master of work gave in the following account, which was also approved of and allowed by the two overseers:—]

Account of  
master of  
work.

THE TOWN OF GLASGOW debtor to Patrick Cree, master of work, upon account of what he depursed and payed out and furnished to the reparation of the Hie Church, as followes, since March, 1713, to the first of September, 1713.

Imprimis, to six chalder and six load lyme to the partition wall betuixt the Outer Kirk and queir, and for plastering in other parts of the Kirk, ...	£	s.	d.
	44	0	0
To drink to the men that brought it in and sending to Blackhall for the same, ...	1	14	0
To sixteen stone and a half hair to mix with the lyme at 12 shilling per stone, ...	9	18	0
To riddling and souring the lyme, ...	2	4	0
To 57 draught watter to the lyme, ...	2	17	0
To John Dinsmuir for 7 draught sand, ...	2	2	0
To 3 mutchkins oyle to collour the new tirlies, ...	1	7	0
To expenses with the wrights when wailling the timber for the Hie Kirk, at severall tymes, ...	0	12	0
To 3 workmen for carrying out the shedd and scaffolding, ...	0	6	0
To 49 draught of daills and timber to the Hie Kirk, ...	11	19	0
To Robert Craig, sclaiter, for 23 dayes work at 12 shill. per day, ...	13	16	0
To ten cast tyle to the ministers chimney, ...	0	8	0
To 2 pound ten ounce lead to fasten the batts in the partition wall, ...	2	1	0
To naills furnished to the partition wall and other reparations made in the Hie Kirk as follows [Here follow details amounting to], ...	141	10	4
To morning drink and four hours to 16 workmen the tyme of their working, ...	36	17	6
To drink to the plumber and his servants at severall tymes, ...	4	16	0
To carrying up 3 draught daills and lead to the Hie Kirk, ...	0	15	0
To Alexander Tam, plumber, for casting 583 stone lead at 10 shilling per stone and putting it on the Kirk, ...	291	10	0
To Robert Craig for 75 days work with the plumber, ...	30	0	0
To Samuel Carruth, meason, for meason work at the said Kirk, ...	41	15	4
To Patrick Smith, sclaiter, for sclait work, ...	44	9	4
	684	17	6

Warrant, late  
thesaurer, for  
John Gray.

The magistrats reported that, conforme to ane former act dated the fourth day of August last, they had considered the list of severall persons difficient of their stent given in be John Gray, collector of the stent, extending to sixty one pound eight shilling Scots, and that it is their opinion that in respect many of them are poor and broken, and some dead and others fled and gone, and that the said John Gray hes alreadie compted with the toun therefor, that the toun should allow the same to him, which being considered be the saids magistrats and counsell they ordaine William Gow, late treasurer, to pay to the said John Gray the said soume of sixty one pound eight shilling Scots.

William  
Struthers  
petition re-  
jected.

The magistrats, dean of gild, and deacon conveener reported that they, conforme to a former act daited the fourth of August last, had considered the petition given in be William Struthers, merchant, mentioned in the said act, whereby he craves liberty to take in that peice of voyd ground belonging to the toun, at the back of the well in the Candlerig Street, with his oun ground at the back thereof, and to build upon the same and come out with his building at the lenth of the well, leaving three sides of the well free and patent, and that they had communed and mett with the adjacent heretors and neighbourhood thereanent who have drawen up and signed under their hand ane representation to the counsell, in answer to the said William Struthers petition, craving that the desire of the said William Struthers petition may not be granted but rejected, upon severall reasons, as, first, the said well being a great common well and no other common wells in that street or in Bells Wynd, the inhabitants will not be served unless the well be patent as formerly; and in case accidentall fire fell out (as God forbid) there might great loss ensue to the neighbourhood and others that may have goods in the weighhouse or other cellars thereabout, if the back entry at the said well were closed up; and, secondly, the encloseing the said peice of ground closs to the well and building a tenement tuo story high, as is mentioned in his petition, the well would be in danger of shutting together by the weight of the said building, and further that the benefite and advantage that would arryse to William Struthers, a privat person, by the granting of his petition, would not be equivalent to the prejudice the neighbourhood would sustain by impairing of a common good which arryses to the

haill community, considering that he hes abundance of room (beside that peice of ground) to build upon. Which representation the reporters produced and the same being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill, they in respect thereof refused the desire of the said William Struthers petition and rejected and hereby rejects the same and discharges him to incroatch upon or take in any pairt of the said voyd ground at the back of the said well.

28 *September* 1713.

The magistrats and toun councill doe heirby give full power and Commission to Thomas Smith, late dean of gild of this burgh, to attend the meeting of the shyre of Lanark, at the burgh of Lanark, the first day of October nixt to come, and their, in name of the said burgh of Glasgow, for their lands of Provan and others, to proceed with the other barrons and freeholders of the said shyre in the election of the comissioner for representing the said shyre of Lanark in the ensueing parliament of Great Brittan, to be holden at Westminster the tuelfth day of November nixt, and to doe all things incumbent thereanent, sicklyke and also freely as any other barron is by law authorised to doe.

5 *October* 1713.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to Robert Thomson, post-Warrant for master, twenty four pounds Scots for his pains and charges in going Robert Thomson. twice to Edinburgh for procuring liberty to take in letters at his post office for London without paying the postage here to Edinburgh, and getting ane post settled from this to Borrowstouness.

Ordaines John Craig, treasurer, to pay to John M'Allister, milner The milner of of the Provan miln, fourty pound Scots for letting down the water from the Provan. the Provan miln to the toun miln since the first of June last to the tuelfth instant.

6 *October* 1713.

[John Aird, provost; John Bowman and William Anderson, of the merchants Election of rank, and Patrick Mitchell, of the crafts rank, bailies] provost and bailies.

9 *October* 1713.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen Councillors chosen.]

to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

14 October 1713.

Dean of [Thomas Smith, dean of guild; John Grahame, deacon convener; John  
guild, etc. Whythill, treasurer; Mathew Gilmour, bailie of Gorbals; James Mitchell, water  
bailie; Patrick Cree, master of work; John Woddrow, visitor of maltmen; John  
Reid, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

17 October 1713.

Bread, tallow, [Wheat being now at £10 10 s. the boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 oz.  
candle. 10 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 53 s. Scots the stone, and candle for 56 s.  
Scots the stone]

Committee on Appoints the magistrats [and others] as a committee to consider upon  
the difference between the differences and debaits standing betuixt the chyrurgeons and barbers  
chyrurgeons of this burgh, and which are submitted and referred by them to the  
and barbers. toun councill, as is contained in a former act daited the nynteen of  
December j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and twelve, and to report to the councill.

Committee Appoints the magistrats [and others] as a committee to consider on  
anent the Old what methods and measures shall be thought most fitt and proper to be  
Milne of followed in reference to the old milne of Partick, lately given over by  
Partick. the toun to the barrons of exchequer, and now in dependance before  
the exchequer, and to report.

27 October 1713.

Anent the The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the toun did some  
Old Milne of tyme ago quitt and overgive their possession of the old miln of Partick  
Partick. to the barrons of exchequer at Edinburgh, which is yett lying in  
dependance before the saids barrons and not discust, and that by a  
former act daited the seventeen of October instant they had appointed  
a committee to consider upon what methods and measures should be  
thought most fitt and proper to be followed in reference to the same,  
but now considering that there will be occasion for the provost and dean  
of gild to be at Edinburgh about the touns affairs within some short  
tyme, so that they may have opportunity of waiting upon the saids  
barrons to commune with them anent the said miln, therefore they heirby  
impower the provost and dean of gild, and any of the councill who goes

in with them or that they shall call for, to make what transaction and agreement anent the said miln they think most proper for the touns behoove, either in getting a tack or the toun freed, so that the said affair may be brought to a period.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that this burgh was and hes been, since their acquiring of their lands of Provan within the shyre of Lanark holden of her Majesty, alwise inrolled for their lands of Provan among the freeholders of the shyre, and by their commissioners appointed by them from tyme to tyme alwise voted with the freeholders of the shyre in the election of a member to serve in parliament for the said shyre of Lanark, and that notwithstanding, at the last meeting of the freeholders of the said shyre at Lanark for electing of their commissioner to serve in the ensueing parliament, the commissioner for this burgh was most unjustly and illegally turned out, and the vote for this burgh as freeholder of the lands of Provan refused to be received by a majority, of whom severall were not qualified conforme to law; and the magistrate and councill finding this burgh lesed and prejudged in their just right and priveledge as freeholders, which heretofore was never questioned, therefore they heirby impower the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener to take such methods and measures for remeid, by applying to the parliament or otherwise as they think most proper for procuring the touns rights and priveledges preserved.

16 December 1713.

The provost and dean of gild [reported] that when at Edinburgh, conforme to a former act daited the twenty seventh of October last, they had procured ane tack from the lords barrons of her Majestys exchequer in Scotland of all and haill the milners service of her Majestys miln of Partick, commonly called the Old Miln, togither also with the knaveship, bannock, and all other profits, priveledges and casualities thereto belonging, that hes been in use to be payed of before to the milners serving thereat, or hes been uplifted by them at any tyme bygone, togither also with the miln lands belonging to the said miln, extending to four aikers of land or thereby, lying in Kelvinhaugh, with the houses, biggings, yeards, grass pasturage and all other priveledges and pairtenents belong-

ing to the said office, lying within the barrony and regality of Glasgow and sherriffdom of Lanark, and that for the space of nynteen years from and after Martimess last bypast, and that they had caused insert Peter Murdoch, merchant, late baillie of this burgh, his name as tacksman thereof for the touns behoove, and that the said Peter Murdoch had granted his bond and obligation oblidgeing himself and his heirs, etc., to content and pay to her Majesty, or such persons as have or shall have right to receive the same, the maills and dutys underwryten, in maner aftermentioned, viz., for the said milns, milner service, miln lands and pasturage forsaid eight bolls of ferm meall, betuixt Yuill and Candlemess, yearly, and for the saids houses and yeards ten merks Scots at Mertimess, yearly, and four capons at Whitsonday, yearly, as being the old tack duty used of before to be payed for the said miln, lands, milner service, and others abovespecified; together with tuo shilling Scots at Martimess, yearly, in augmentation of the rentall of the archbishoprick of Glasgow, whereof the said miln and others abovewryten is a pairt, . . . ; as also to keep the said miln in a good and sufficient condition for grinding all such malt that shall be brought in thereto, and to leave the same at the ish and expiration of the said tack in a good and ganging order; and further reported that the said Peter Murdoch had, upon the daite hereof, granted ane assignation to the toun of the said tack and hail effect thereof, which assignation the said reporter produced in councill, it is but just and reasonable that the said Peter be freed and relieved of the foresaid oblidgement granted by him. Which report abovewryten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and councill, and the forsaid assignation read in their presence, they in respect thereof have subscryved ane band of reliefe in favours of the said Peter Murdoch for freeing and relieving him and his heirs, etc., of the forsaid bond and obligation granted be him for payment of the maills and dutys and performance of the other oblidgements abovementioned for which the forsaid tack was granted to him.

Warrant for  
provost Aird.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to John Aird, provost, the soume of thirty tuo pound and six pence sterling, as his expenses and charges at Edinburgh on the touns account, being there twenty days in attending the barrons of exchequer anent the old miln of Partick

and procureing ane tack, and waiting on the lords of session anent the missive dues depending before them, and in consulting advocats both anent the missive dues and the Old Miln and drawing representations thereanent and the tack of the Old Miln, conforme to a particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to Thomas Smith, dean of <sup>Warrant for dean of gild.</sup> gild, fifty eight pound seven shilling Scots, as his expenses at Edinburgh on the touns account in attending on the barrons of exchequer for getting ane tack of the Old Miln, and the lords of session anent the missive dues in dependance before them.

Appoints the magistrats [and others] to consider upon the terms of <sup>Milnership of the Old Milne of Partick.</sup> the tack to be granted be the councill of the milnership of the Old Miln of Partick and lands thereto belonging, to which the toun hes now right by tack from the exchequer, and of a fitt person to whom the same should be sett, and to report.

21 December 1713.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscriyved ane tack in favours <sup>Tack of the milnership of the Old Milne of Partick subscribed.</sup> of James Anderson of Stobcross, secluding his heirs and executors (as also secluding his assignes) without the speciall advyce and consent of the magistrats and councill for the tyme first had and obtained thereto, of all and haill the milners service of her Majestys miln of Partick, commonly called the Old Miln, togither also with the knaveship, bannock, and all other profits, priveledges and casualities thereto belonging, that hes been in use to be payed of before to said milners serving thereat, or hes been uplifted by them at any tyme bygone; togither also with the miln lands belonging to the said Old Miln, extending to four aikers of land or thereby, lying in Kelvinhaugh, with the houses, biggings, yeards, grass pasturage, and all other priveledges and pertinents belonging to the said office, lying within the barrony and regality of Glasgow, sherrieffdom of Lanark, lately sett by a tack thereof granted be the barrons of her Majestys exchequer in Scotland to Peter Murdoch, merchant, late baillie of this burgh, and assigned by him to the toun; and that for all the dayes, years and space of nynteen years from and after Martimess last bypast, which is declared to have been his entery thereto; for the which the said James Anderson is by the said tack bound to pay to the toun

ane hundreded pound Scots money, yearly, during the space of the tack, at tuo terms in the year, Whitsonday and Martimess, be equall portions, and further by and attour the said ane hundreded pounds, yearly, he is to pay to her Majesty, or such persons as have or shall have right to receive the same, or to the magistrats and counsell in their name, or their treasurers for their behoove, the maills and dutys aftermentioned, payable be the toun for the tack forsaid granted to the said Peter Murdoch and assigned by him to this toun, viz., for the said milns, milners service, miln lands and pasturage forsaid, eight bolls of ferm meall betuixt Yuill and Candlemess, yearly, and for the saids houses and yeards ten merks Scots at Martimess, yearly, and four capons at Whitsonday, yearly, being the Old Miln tack duty used of before to [be] payed for the said miln, lands, milners service, and others abovespecified, togither with tuo shilling Scots of augmentation of the rentall of the archbishoprick of Glasgow whereof the said miln and others abovewryten is a pairt; which tack contains severall other oblidgevements, clauses and conditions prestable on the pairt of the said James Anderson in relation to the said milnership.

Warrant for  
a young man  
a preacher.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to the provost for the behoove of a young man, a preacher who is in great need, the soume of twenty four pound Scots money.

4 January 1714.

Warrant for  
Samuell  
Carruith.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to Samuell Carruith, measson, tuo hundreded pound Scots for laying ane sayer of thirty elns in lenth and ane eln of breadth, paved in the bottom and covered above, at the West Port, foregainst Shawfields lodgeing, conforme to ane particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

Act of the  
trades house  
in reference  
to the chyrur-  
geons and  
barbers.

John Grahame, deacon conveyener, produced ane act of the trades house, daited the twenty nyenth of October last bypast, bearing that they had reconsidered their interloquitor and sentance upon the difference between the chyrurgeons and barbers, which was pronounced upon the first of July j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>o</sup> and tuelve upon ane application made by Mr. William Stirling, craving to be admitted chyrurgeon and to be received to the priveledges of the incorporation, and which sentance was appealled from by the chyrurgeons and laid before the toun counsell of this burgh, by



ane appeal and representation to which answers were made by the barbers, and thereupon much trouble has been given to the toun councill, arrysing from mistakes received by the saids pairties as to the import of the sentance of the saids trades house, therefore they doe declaire, enact, statute and ordaine that the import, sense and meaning of their decreet and sentance is that where ane intrant is found qualified by the chyrurgeons to practise as such and shall apply for his admission to the priveledge of the deaconry and to practise in Glasgow, if the chyrurgeons shall dispense with their exclusive priveledge the joynt incorporat trade of chyrurgeons and barbers shall have vote in the stating of the fyne by the intrant, and that the fyne shall be applyed to the common stock of the chyrurgeons and barbers, and find and declare that if either of the saids pairties, chyrurgeons or barbers, shall quarrell, impung or controvert any pairt of the above sentance, or shall by any process acclaim or pretend to exemption therefrom, that the pairty quarrelling or reclaiming by a process shall have no access to the common stock for defraying any pairt of the expenses theranent; and recomends to the toun councill of this burgh to approve and ratifie the forsaid sentance of the trades house and this act and sentance for clearing the import and meaning of the same, as the said act bears. Which act being read in presence of and considered be the saids magistrats and toun councill, they ratified and approved and heirby ratifies and approves of the same, and ordains both pairties of chyrurgeons and barbers to stand thereto according to the import and explanation mentioned in the said act.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscryved ane petition to the parliament for ascertaining the proportion of the royall burrows in the land tax act, and recomends to the dean of gild, member of parliament for this district, when he goes to the parliament to present the same.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, James Grahame, one of her Majestys justices of the peace for the shire of Stirling, gave in a representation bearing that the justices of the said shire had in Summer last taken inspection of the severall bridges within their bounds, and it was found that the bridge of Calder was then in a ruinous and bad condition and had ordered their collector to pay five pound sterling to

Petition sub-  
scribed to the  
parliament.

Warrant for  
James  
Graham  
about Calder  
bridge.

the workmen employed for repairing thereof, and there being but one of the ends of the bridge on Stirling-shire and the other on Lanark-shire, application was made both to this toun and the justices and commissioners of supplie for Lanark-shire for a contribution towards the said reparation, the shire of Lanark ordered other five pounds and the lyke soume was expected from this burgh, and the gentlemen in the neighbourhood had contributed and collected ten pounds sterling further among themselves to the intent abovewryten, making in haill twenty fyve pound sterling; and therefore craving the counceill would take the same to their consideration and order the said fyve pound sterling to be payed in, as in the said representation at more lenth is contained; which being read in presence of and considered be the said magistrats and counceill and that the said road (by the fall of Kirkentollock bridge) being the only passable road in spates or bad weather, for carts and other merchandizes going to and from this burgh to Edinburgh or Borrowstouness, therefore the magistrats and counceill ordaine John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to the said James Grahame fyve pound sterling for the use forsaide, and that how soon the bridge end shall be levelled and made passable for carts at both ends thereof.

1 April 1714.

Grass of New Green. [Bond granted by William Alexander, merchant, and Francis Wilson, horse hirer, principal tacksmen, and by their cautioners, for 2200 merks, "as the tack duty for the grass of the New Green, for the present crompt."] Port Glasgow; Gorbail lodging. [Subscribed (1) tack to Matthew Crauford, merchant, of "the touns interest in Port Glasgow, and the royall fishary closs in Greenock," for three years, at a rent of 2550 merks, yearly; and (2) to John Craig, wright, of "the touns great lodgeing in Gorbails, last sett in tack to umquhill William Barklay," for eleven years, at a rent of 200 merks, yearly.]

Disposition of a piece of ground at the Spoutmouth. The magistrats and toun counceill have subscribed ane disposition in favours of William Kerr, measson, and William Douglass, taylor, whereby for ane hundered pound Scots money payed in by them to John Whythill, treasurer, they dispone in few to the saids William Kerr and William Douglass, equally, that peice of waiste ruinous ground lying beyond the Gallowgate bridge, on the north side of the street and on the east side of the lane or way passing from the hie street to the spout wells, consisting of twenty nync foot from John Listers gavill to the front and of

twenty four foot and ane halfe of breadth in front, leaving twenty foot and tuo inches of breadth for the lane or entery from the street to the spout wells, lately acquired be the said burgh from the heirs of umquhill Mathew Atkine, bounded by the Spoutmouth on the west, the said John Listers land on the north, the lands of Andrew Whyte on the east, and the hie street on the south pairts, to be holden be them of the magistrats and counsell for payment of halfe ane merk, yearly.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to Henry Smith, merchant, <sup>Warrant for</sup> late baillie, fifteen pound sterling for a hodgehead of claret wyne furnished <sup>Henry Smith.</sup> be him for the use of the communion in March last.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to Anable Denney, relict <sup>Warrant for</sup> of Hugh Campbell, vintener, thirty eight pound fourteen shilling Scots, <sup>Mrs. Camp-</sup> being three guinnies allowed be the toun to her for furnishing the news <sup>bell.</sup> letters to the coffie house last year.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt Patrick Wother- <sup>Burgesses and</sup> spoon, present provost of Rutherglen, George Spence, late provost thereof, <sup>gildbretheren.</sup> John Murdoch, portioner of Craigtoun, John Rowand of Teucherhill, John Campbell of Dowan, Andrew Gray, portioner of Cryston, John Grandpre, French teaching master in this burgh, Mr. William Forbes, advocate, professor of law in the University of Glasgow, and Andrew Martine of Clothodrick, all burgesses and gildbrether of this burgh, and remitt their fynes and hold them as payed at the desire of the magistrats.

The provost represented that sometyme agoe the principall of the <sup>Act in favours</sup> University had proposed to him and others of the magistrats that for the <sup>of Mr.</sup> good of the place a French school might be sett up for teaching of the <sup>Grandpre,</sup> French, and that one John Grandpre, a teacher of French in Edinburgh, <sup>the French</sup> who is under a good character and a person fitt and qualified for that <sup>teaching</sup> purpose, should be spoke to and encouragement given him to leave <sup>master.</sup> Edinburgh and to reside and take up school here for teaching of the French language, and that accordingly they had since prevailed with the said John Grandpre to come to reside here and to take up school for teaching of French, upon the prospect of the touns allowing him ane yearly sellary for his encouragement; which representation being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they, for the said John Grandpre his encouragement to reside here and take up school

for teaching of the French language, doe heirby enact and oblige themselves and their successors in office to make payment to the said John Grandpre of twelve pound ten shillings sterling, yearly, by four quarterly payments, commenceing from the term of Candlemess last bypast, and that during the magistrats and toun councill and their successors in office their pleasure only and no otherwayes.

1 June 1714.

Common good set. [Mills, 8,650 merks; ladles, 4,200 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 960 merks; tron and fishmarket, 1,810 merks; bridge and crane, 1,680 merks.]

22 June 1714.

Call to Mr.  
George Campbell.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscriyved a call to Mr. George Campbell, minister of the gospell at Stair, to be minister of the north quarter of this burgh.

William  
Struthers;  
stair at the  
back of the  
well in the  
Candleriga.

Anent the supplication given in be William Struthers, merchant in Glasgow, mentioning that where he is building ane tenement at the back of the well in the Candlerig street but not having conveniency within his oun bounds for a stair, and there being betuixt the well and the said tenement seven foot of waist ground belonging to the toun, at the back of the well, and therefore craving the magistrats and councill would allow him the liberty of founding his stair to his house upon that pairt of the said waist ground nixt and closs to George Brouns gavill, which will nowayes prejudice the well nor free access thereto, being that their will be room for tuo barrows to goe by other betuixt the well and the stair, as the said petition bears; which being considered be the magistrats and councill they appoint the dean of gild for the tyme and deacon conveyener to measure off to him also much of the said waist ground nixt to George Brouns gavill as will serve for his stair, the same not exceeding three foot and ane halfe of breadth, and to take the said William Struthers declaration that the said liberty is granted by the toun to him for his conveniency of a stair to his house, and that the same in any tyme coming shall nowayes inferr any right or property in the ground betuixt the well and his tenement in his favours, but that the same does belong to the toun, and that he hes no interest therein except the liberty of his

stair upon that pairt to be measured off to him nixt to George Brouns gavill as said is.

*2 July 1714.*

Anent the supplication given in be the baxters of this burgh relative to the act dated the seventeen day of October last, anent the pryce of wheat bread, and shewing that they were not able to sell at the pryce in the said act, the pryce of the wheat being now considerably risen, and therefore craving a suitable alteration conforme thereunto; which petition being read in presence of and considered be the magistrats and toun councill they now statute and ordaine that wheat being at thirteen pound ten shilling per boll, the twelve penny loafe of fyne flower and well baken shall be eight unce and four drops and the six penny loafe of fyne flower shall be four unce and tuo drops, and the whole rest of the bread of fyne flower of more or less quantities shall be sold conforme, and that during the councills pleasure who are to make the statutes more or less as they shall find the pryce rise or fall.

Ordaines John Whythill, treasurer, to pay to Johne Campbell of Blythswood fyve pound sterling towards the helping to deffray the expenses and charges in finishing the cassey of Inchennan now in laying, and that so soon as the said cassey shall be laid and finished.

*17 August 1714.*

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by ane act of the convention of burrows daited the seventeen day of Jully last bypast, it is thereby enacted that three fourt pairts of the hundered pound payable be the royall burrows shall be laid upon the land rents of each burrow and the other fourt pairt shall be laid upon trade, that is to say import and export, and in order to have the true valuation of the rent of each burrow the convention does ordaine the magistrats of each burgh to appoint tuo or more persons of their toun councill who shall take up ane exact accompt in wryting of the yearly reall rent of all the lands, burrow roods, tenements, houses and fishings lying in or belonging to or that have been in use to pay cess with the burgh and doe not pay cess with the shire, which accompt shall contain the names of the heretors and possessors of the lands and houses in the order as they are

situated, together with the names of the streets or places in which the saids houses and lands doe lye, which accompt the persons appointed to take it up shall sign and deliver to the magistrats, making oath at the same tyme before them that the said accompt does contain all the lands, burrow roods, tenements, houses and fishings, lying in, belonging to or that have been in use to pay cess with the burrow and doe not pay cess with the shire, and the true valuation or yearly rent of them, to the best of their knowledge, and the magistrats of each burrow are appointed to send by their commissioner to the nixt convention, which is to meet at Edinburgh upon the second Tuesday of November nixt, the valuation of their burrows in the maner prescribed by the said act; which valuations shall be the rule according to which three fourth pairts of the hundered pound shall be laid; and the convention does further ordaine that where houses or lands are posessed by the proprietars, the valuator shall value the rents of such houses or lands to the best of their knowledge, and where houses are waste they shall only be marked to be waste and not extended in the estimat, and where the rent is payed in grain or other victuall the same shall be liquidated according to the sherriff fiars, or commissar fiars where there are no sherriff fiars, immediately preceeding the tyme of the valuation, and where there are different sherriff or commissar fiars the valuation shall be according to the middle fiars; and if any burrow shall neglect to send up to the next convention, which is to meet at Edinburgh upon the second Tuesday of November nixt as said is, ane estimate or valuation of their land rent, taken in the maner above prescribed, or shall not return a true valuation, the convention shall tax such burghs in the double of what they now pay; and for the better distributing the fourth pairt upon trade the next convention shall choyce fifteen out of the saids tradeing burrows of their number, who upon their oath shall proportion the same in the most equall maner, as in the said act at more lenth is contained. Therefore the magistrats and toun councill, in pursuance thereof, doe nominate and appoint the persons afternamed of their number to take up ane exact accompt in wryting of the yearly reall rent of all the lands, burrow roods, tenements and houses lying in and belonging to or that have been in use to pay cess within this burgh in the terms, and conforme to the forsaid act, viz.:

[two persons for each of the north, middle, east, south and west quarters], and for the burrow roods and aikers of this burgh [other two persons]; and ordaines and appoints the saids persons to draw up the saids accompts and sign them and deliver them into the magistrats, making oath before them at the said tyme that the saids accompts doe contain all the lands, burrow roods, tenements and houses lying in, belonging to, or that have been in use to pay cess with this burgh, and the true valuation or yearly rent of them, to the best of their knowledge, and that again the fifteen day of October nixt.

The magistrats and councill, considering that by the tack granted to John Sheills, Allan Dreghorn, Mathew Watson and Andrew Park of the coall in the lands of Gorballs the saids tacksmen are oblidge to pay three pennies Scots for each hutch of coalls gott out of the saids lands during the tack, and that weekly, monethly or quarterly as the magistrats and councill pleases to call for the same, and that since Whitsonday last, which was their entery to the coall, no accompt hes been taken from them, the magistrats and councill doe heirby appoint and impower the conveener, treasurer, preceptor of Hutchisons Hospitall and Thomas Peter, or any tuo of them, to adjust, state and clear accompts with the said tacksmen of the coall in reference to what they are owing for the said coall, not only for bygones but in tyme coming from tyme to tyme, weekly, monethly or quarterly as they shall see cause, to the effect the saids tacksmen may pay in what is due by them from tyme to tyme to the toun, Hutchisons Hospitall and Trades house, conforme to their interests therein, and to doe everything needfull and incumbent theirin, and to see that the saids tacksmen performe their pairts of the tack as they are bound thereby.

Tacksmen of  
the Gorball  
coall.

1 October 1714.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened have subscribed ane address to his Majesty King George.<sup>1</sup>

Address to  
his Majesty  
subscribed.

The magistrats represented that in Aprile last, upon report that his Highness the Prince was to be over to England, they had taken the opportunity to cause draw and send up ane burgess ticket to his Highness which they had transmitted, with a letter to his Highness, to the dean

The Prince  
letter to the  
magistrats.

<sup>1</sup> Queen Anne died and was succeeded by King George I. on 1st August, 1714.

of gild, member of parliament, then at London, to be delivered to his Highness upon his arrivall, and upon his not coming over the dean of gild had left the same with his resident to be transmitted to Hannover, and that they had received a letter from his Highness, wryten in French, bearing his receipt thereof, and upon the magistrats receiving his Highness letter they had again wryte to his Highness, the doubles of which letters, with the principall letter from his Highness, the magistrats produced in councill; which being all read in presence of the magistrats and councill they appoint the saids letters to be recorded in the principall councill book and his Highness letter with the residents to be laid up among the touns papers.

The magistrates letter to the Prince.

Followes the letter by the magistrats to the Prince:—May it please your Highness,—We the magistrats of the city of Glasgow, being deeply sensible how much the security of the Protestant religion next after her Majesty, our gracious Queen Anne, whom God long preserve, depends upon that illustrious family of Hannover, of which your Highness is the next heir, after the most illustrious and serene Elector your father, and being ambitious to congratulate and felicitate your Highness honouring of this Island with your presence, which by reason of our distance we have not access personally to performe, therefore we most humbly pray and beg leave that we may be allowed now upon your first coming to Brittain to ingross in our records the name of the high and mighty electoral Prince George Augustus Duke of Cambridge and first peer in Britan, son to the most serene George Lewis, Elector, Prince and Duke of Hannover, and as a noble patriot intituled to all the freedoms and priveledges of this city, and that your Highness will please accept from our member of parliament for this city what with us bears the name of a Burgess Ticket, as a mark of our joy at your safe arrivall in Brittan and as a pledge of the high esteem and profound respect your admirable qualitys and incomparable perfections deservedly challenge and shall always receive from, may it please your Highness, your Highness most obedient, most faithfull and most humble servants. Glasgow, 30 Aprile, 1714.

The Prince letter to the magistrats in French.

Followes the Prince letter to the magistrats written in French:—Hannover le 16 Aoust 1714. Messieurs, on m'a envoyé icy la lettre obligeante que vous m'avez ecrite le 30<sup>e</sup> d'Avril avec le Billet de Bour-



geoisie. Ces marques de l'attachement de vostre ville pour la succession Protestante et pour moy en particulier m'ont fait un veritable plaisir. Je vous prie de croire que j'en fais tout le cas que je dois, et que j'embrasseray avec empressement toutes les occasions qui se pourront presenter de vous en temoignes ma reconnoissance en sorte que si la Providence Divine apelle cette maison à la couronne de la grande Bretagne, vostre ville puisse en recevoir toute la protection que son zele merite. Je travailleray autant qu'il dependra de moy à la luy procurer; estant Messieurs vostre affectionné: GEORGE D. DE CAMBRIDGE.

Followes the Prince letter in English:—Hannover, August the 16, The Prince letter in English.  
 1714. Gentlemen, I have sent me hither the oblidgeing letter which yow wrote to me the 30 of Aprile with the burgess ticket. These tokens of the strong regaird of your toun for the Protestant succession, and in particular for me, have given me a reall pleasure. I beg of yow to believe that I have all the esteem for it which I ought, and that I shall with ardour lay hold on all occasions that may offer to testifie my acknowledgements thereof unto yow, so that if Divine Providence calls this family to the crown of Great Brittan your toun shall receive from it all the protection which its zeal deserves. I shall labour as much as shall be in my power to procure this for yow; being, gentlemen, your affectionate: GEORGE D. OF CAMBRIDGE.

Followes the magistrates return in answer to the above letter:—May The magistrates return in answer to the Prince letter.  
 it please your Royal Highness,—The gracious letter of your Royall Highness to us, the magistrates of Glasgow, is a favour of such a nature that it is impossible to express the pleasure with which we received it or our gratitude and profound acknowledgements for the great honour done to our city thereby. The great goodness and condescension that your Royall Highness hes been pleased to show in it justified the anxious concern we have ever had for the Protestant succession in the family of Hannover, and is ane evidence of the blessings which we reasonably hoped for from the happy settlement of the crown therein. Our former was designed to show how much we desired your Highness's presence in this Island, at a tyme when the malice and artifice of our enemys threatned the Protestant succession. By this we beg leave to congratulate your Royall Highness upon the peaceable accession of your Royall father, the

King, to the crown of these realms, and that blessed settlements taking place which we ever thought absolutely necessary to the happieness of these Islands, and shall be ready with our lives and fortunes ever to support and defend. May God long preserve our Sovereign Lord King George and your Royall Highness, and may this Island soon be made happy with his and your safe arrivall, is the constant prayer of, may it please your Royall Highness, your Royall Highness's most obedient, most devoted, most faithfull and most humble servants. Glasgow, August 23d, 1714.

Warrant for  
John Bow-  
man; mourn-  
ings.

The magistrats and toun councill ordaines John Whythill, treasurer, to pay to John Bowman, baillie, sixty seven pound Scots for mournings to the kirks, conforme to a particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild.

Curer and  
visitor of  
herring at  
Portglasgow.

[The magistrates and town council appointed "Robert Snyp, couper in Renfrew (who is now to reside at Port Glasgow)" to be "visitor of the herrings exported out of the precinct of Port Glasgow," that office being now vacant through the decease of George Johnston, who was appointed 23 July 1708. *Antea*, p. 429.]

Warrant, late  
treasurer,  
house for  
burning  
tobacco.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to have allowance in his own hands of [£377 18 s.] Scots for three hundred dails, being the long hundred, at fourteen shilling per peice, fourteen double trees at thirty six shilling per peice, fourty eight trees at twenty four shilling per peice, twelve oak trees at twenty shilling per peice, nyne dozen of kaibers at five shilling sterling per duzen and fourty one draught carting at tuo shilling per draught, all furnished be him for the timber house at the Broomilaw now erected for burning of tobacco, conforme to a particular accompt thereof revised by the dean of gild.

Rules anent  
mooring of  
ships in Port-  
glasgow.

The provost represented that several of the merchants had mett in Portglasgow with the fewars and masters of veshells as to mooring of all ships and barks that should come into the harbour of Portglasgow, and that they had agreed upon the rules if the councill would approve thereof:—

(1) That all ships comeing from sea should not lye above five days at the end of the key, and that they shall keep fifty foot from the end of the key, that all ships and smal veshells may have free passage, under the penalty of twenty shilling Scots each day, and the like penalty if they doe not keep the distance.

(2) That no anchors be laid within the harbour betuixt the far end of the key and Captain Lyons weir, under the pain of three pound Scots for each transgression, and their buoy ropes not above twelve or fourteen foot long on anchors that lys towards the bay, under the penalty of three pounds Scots for each transgression.

(3) That all ships moar east and west by the side of the key, and each be helpfull to another, that anchors may lye in the harbour.

(4) That all ships that are livered immediately haill out of the way, to give place to ships that are to liver.

(5) That no barks, gabarts or boats shall moar or lye at the cran or stair, except they be either loading or livering, but remove to a convenient place out of the way and be admitted in course to liver.

(6) That no ships or barks lye within the harbour, as wreck ships, not being employed in trade, above three months, but most remove to a convenient place out of the way.

Which representation and rules abovewryten being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill, they approved and heirby approve of the same, and ordaine the same to take effect from and after the daite hereof, and grants warrand and commission to John Lyon, <sup>John Lyon, shoarmaster.</sup> skipper in Portglasgow, to be shoarmaster, to see that the above rules be duely observed, and to exact from the contraveeners the penaltys above-mentioned, and ordaines the touns officer in Portglasgow to observe the said John Lyon, shoarmaster, his orders for making the said rules efectual, and ordaines the said shoarmaster to give his oath before the baillie of Portglasgow before he exerce.

2 October 1714.

Ordaines John Whythill, treasurer, to pay to Thomas Hamilton, <sup>Warrand for baillie Hamilton.</sup> chyrurgeon, late baillie, thirty six pound Scots, for cureing a compound fracture upon the leg of Marion Gardener and a simple fracture upon the leg of Martha Findlay, poor people, at the desire of the magistrats.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by tack of <sup>John Hamilton to sight the houses in Provan that needs timber.</sup> the lands of Provan the toun is oblidged to furnish the tacksmen with great and smal timber for the better repairing of the houses as occasion requires, they doe heirby impower and commissionate John Hamilton, in

Provan, that when any timber is required to keep up and repair the houses in Provan that the said John Hamilton doe sight and visite the said houses and give a declairation under his hand, from tyme to tyme, what timber is necessary towards the several reparations, and discharges any timber to be furnished in tyme coming to the repairing of the said houses untill first they be sighted and visited by the said John Hamilton and he giving a declairation under his hand as said is what timber is necessary thereunto, and they will allow no timber to the tacksmen but according as the said John Hamilton gives a declairation thereof under his hand as said is; and for the said John Hamilton his pains they doe heirby allow him eighteen pound Scots, yearly, commenceing from the daite hereof, and grants warrand to the treasurers to pay the same, and declaire that thir presents is only to continue during the magistrats and councill their will and pleasure.

*5 October 1714.*

The oath of  
alledgeance.      The magistrats and councill, convened, did all take the oath of alledgeance to his Majesty King George and subscribe the same with the assurance.

Election of  
provost and  
bailies.      [John Aird, provost; Peter Murdoch and Robert Alexander, of the merchants' rank, and John Grahame, of the crafts' rank, bailies.]

*8 October 1714.*

Councillors  
chosen.      [The magistrats of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors for the ensuing year.]

*13 October 1714.*

Dean of  
guild, etc.      [Thomas Smith, dean of guild; Stephen Crauford, deacon convener; John Armour, treasurer; Charles Miller, bailie of Gorbals; Francis Hopkirk, water bailie; Patrick Cree, master of work; John Woddrow, visitor of maltmen; John Jamieson, visitor of gardeners; John Sym, procurator fiscal.]

Proposalls  
anent  
planting  
Portglasgow.      The magistrats and toun councill, considering the clamant case and necessitous condition of the inhabitants of Portglasgow, throw the want of a minister and the administration of the gospell ordinances amongst them, ever since the transportation of Mr. Robert Miller, minister at the

said port, to the parish of Paisley, and that the planting thereof has been hitherto opposed by the earl of Glencairn who, as patron of the parish kirk of Killmacolme, of which parish Portglasgow was anciently a pairt, pretends the right of presenting a minister to Portglasgow, albeit the said port, by a decreet of a commission of parliament, wherein the earl of Glencairn is called and compearing, be disjoyned from the said parish of Killmacolme and united in a new parish by themselves, and the kirk ordained to be built for the ease of the inhabitants within the toun of New Portglasgow, and the magistrats of Glasgow ordained to provyde the minister to serve with the said new kirk with stipend, and wherein it is declared that the lands of the parish of Killmacolme nor any pairt thereof, as it stood before the erection, should not be burdened with the provision of the said minister nor any pairt thereof; whereby, according to the advice of several lawiers, consulted for the toun, the magistrats have the right of presentation. But, nevertheless, the magistrats and toun councill, being desirous to prevent the expensses of any plea or law suit, and having severall tymes proposed to the said earl of Glencairn an accommodation of the question in ane amicable way, both by the dean of gild and deacon conveener of the city, and by the touns agent, and having of late commisionate the provest and clerk to wait upon the said earle, who accordingly waited upon [his] lordship tuo several successive days at the place of Finlaystoun, and in their touns name offered to submitt the above question to tuo lawiers, one to be chosen for the toun and another for the earle, and proposed that the lord Justice Clerk, who is the earls cousin german, should be oversman, yet the earle is pleased to refuse all the said offers, so that there appears ane absolute necessitie to have the question determined in a legall way; therefore the magistrats and toun councill approve of the above offer and terms of a submission, if the said earl will yet be pleased to agree thereto, but in case the earle shall not signifie his agreeing thereto, betuixt and the first of November nixt, they grant warrand to and ordaine their agent to prosecute all necessarie actions for having the question determined and the matter brought to a speedy issue.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> On 9th February, 1715, it was reported to arbiters, and the town council authorised that the earl had agreed to refer the question the provost and others to sign the submission.

16 October 1714.

Bread, tallow, [Wheat being now at £10 10s. the boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 oz.  
candles. 10 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 51 s. Scots the stone, and candle for 54 s. Scots  
the stone.]

The Trades  
house petition  
remitted to a  
committee. Anent the supplication given in be the deacon conveyener and collector  
to the Trades house for themselves and in name of the haill remainent  
members of the said trades house, mentioning that their lands of Cowlairs  
and the lands of Flemingtoun, pertaining to George Danziell, wright,  
doe lye contiguous and are pairts of the sixteen merk land of Glasgow,  
and the said George Dainziell and (*blank*), his tennant in the lands of  
Flemingtoun, have by pasturage or otherwayes endeavoured to appropriat  
to themselves and to the said George his saids lands about ane aiker of  
the (*blank*) of the saids lands of Cowlairs, next to the common and knowen  
march on the west side of the house of the lands of Flemingtoun, and  
on the east side of the highway there, and so endeavours to invert the  
property to the great hurt of the poor, and therefore craving the counceill  
or a committie to visit the saids lands and find and declair the forsaid  
peice of ground about ane aiker, lyand as said is, to appertain and belong  
to the Trades house as a pairt of their lands of Cowlairs, and that the  
said George Danziell and his said tenant and his successors have no right  
thereto and ought to desist their possession thereof in tyme coming, but  
prejudice to the house nevertheless to pursue for bygone mailles and  
damnages as accords, as the said supplication bears; which being read in  
presence of the magistrats and toun counceill, they appoint the magistrats  
[and others] to sight and visit the said ground and determine therein as  
they shall see cause, and sett the marches betuixt them, the conveyener  
and his collector causeing warn the said George Dainziell and his tennant  
to be present at the said visitation.

4 December 1714.

The taylors to  
straight their  
dyck at St.  
Rollocks  
croft. The magistrats represented that the taylors of this burgh, having  
purchased the lands called St. Rollocks Croft, they were desirous their  
said land might be straighted and lyned from the ditch running by the  
tree there, at the south end, to the head of the dyck at the north end,  
which would be nowayes prejudicial to the high way there but rather a

mean to drain the water from off the hie way, and that the magistrats themselves with others of the counsell had seen the same and judged the same to be nowayes prejudiciall to the hie way there; which representation being heard and considered be the magistrats and counsell, they grant warrand and allowance to the taylors to straight and lyne their said ground frae the ditch running by the tree at the south end to the head of the dycke at the north end, the same being allwayes done at the sight of any of the magistrats and dean of gild and bretheren.

1 *January* 1715.

Ordaines John Whythill, late treasurer, to pay to Annable Denny, <sup>Warrant for</sup> relict of Hugh Campbell, vintner, ane guinie and ane halfe, being <sup>Mrs. Campbell.</sup> [£1 12s. 3d.] sterling allowed be the toun to her for furnishing the newsletters to the coffehouse from Martimes [1713 to Whitsunday 1714].

The magistrats represented that by ane act of the lords of justiciary, <sup>Warrant</sup> daited the thirty of November last, upon a petition given in be the burgh <sup>anent the</sup> of Jedburgh that in May last the persons afternamed, viz., Peter and Mary Faas, Mabile Stirling, Janet Yorstoun, John Finnwick, Elizabeth Lindsay, Jean Ross and Mary Robertson, prisoners in the tolbooth of Jedburgh, were sentenced by the lords of justiciary at the then circuit to be transported to the plantations, for being habite and repute gipsies, <sup>gypsies.</sup> sorners, etc., and that the said burgh could get no occasion of transporting them, and therefore craving their lordships to grant warrand for transporting them to Glasgow tolbooth. The lords did thereupon ordain the magistrats of Jedburgh to transport them to this burgh, and ordained the magistrats of this burgh to receive, keep and detain the saids gipsies untill ane occasion offered for transporting them, and also ordained the magistrats or keeper of the tolbooth, with the first conveniencie, to sett them aboard of any ship going to the plantations, and to take receipt for them from the master of the ship or merchant, for instructing their having been put on board accordingly, in order to their said transportation, in maner specified in the said act; and that according thereunto the saids gipsies are transported here, and the magistrats, conforme to the act, were oblidge to receive them in prison, where they have lyen

these several dayes bygone upon the touns charge, there being no fond laid down by the publick for their mantinance; and further the magistrats represented that upon the saids gipsies coming here they had wryten to Edinburgh to the clerk to represent to the lords of justiciary how that the toun was brought under a burden by receiving of these gipsies, they being neither judged here nor belonging to the place, nor any fond laid down for their mantinance, and that the lyke was never done to this burgh; which representation was accordingly made to the lords, who acknowledged they were sensible it was a burden upon the place, but for the future the toun should not be troubled with the lyke; and that since they had used endeavours with several merchants who have ships now going abroad to Virginia to take them, who upon no terms would condescend thereto, their being six of the eight women, one of them having a young child and some of them in age, except they got money for taking them; and the magistrats considering that their mantinance continueing here would be a burden upon the toun, and in a short tyme exceed what they could agree with the merchants for their transportation, therefore and for freeing of the toun of the saids gipsies and sorners, and burden of their mantinance, they had agreed with Robert Buntine of Airdoch, James Lees and Charles Craufurd, merchants concerned in the ship Greenok, James Watson, commander, bound for America, to transport them aboard the said ship, and for which they are to give them thirteen pound sterling; and that accordingly the saids Robert Buntine, James Lees and Charles Crawford have granted receipt to the toun of the saids eight persons, in order to their transportation in the termes of the act of the lords of justiciary, and that the saids Peter Murdoch and Robert Alexander, baillies, have granted the obligation to the saids merchants for payment of the said thirteen pound sterling; which representation abovewryten being heard and considered be the councill, they approved and heirby approve thereof, and enacts and oblidges them and their successors in office for payment of the said thirteen pound sterling, and to free and relieve the said Peter Murdoch and Robert Alexander thereof and of their said obligation, and grants warrand to John Whythill, late treasurer, to pay the same.



25 January 1715.

Anent the petition given in be John Spreul, merchant, bearing that John Spreulls he hes ane old tenement next and adjacent to the Fleshmercat, on the <sup>petition</sup> west side thereof, which he designs to take down and rebuild with a <sup>remitted to a</sup> stone front, but wanting convenciencies on that end nixt to the Fleshmercat for braces, unless he gett liberty to draw up his braces on the Fleshmercat wall and to carry up the wall for a gavill he will not gett building, and therefore craving the counsell to consider the same and grant to him the forsaid liberty and determine how far he may come out with the building, as the said petition bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and counsell, they remitt to the magistrats [and others] to sight and visit the said land and to report their thoughts to the counsell.

12 February 1715.

[Appointed Thomas Smith, dean of guild, to meet at Rutherglen with the Commission commissioners of the other burghs, and choose a member of parliament for the <sup>for being</sup> district.] <sup>elector at</sup> Rutherglen.

Appoints ten foot squair of that peice of vaccant ground in the new Buriall place church yeard, lying betuixt provost Rodgers buriall place on the north <sup>to Ralph</sup> and Patrick Houstons buriall place on the west, opposite to the door of the south east half round of the said church, to appertain and belong to Mr. Ralph Fairlie, merchant, his heirs and assignes, for a buriall place, he having payed in ten merks to John Armour, treasurer therefore.

The magistrats and toun counsell doe heirby prohibite and discharge No burrying the keeper of the new church yeard to allow any burrying in any pairt <sup>in the vacant</sup> of the vaccant ground in the said kirkyeard not yet given off, without <sup>ground with-</sup>ane express order from the magistrats or dean of gild. <sup>out order.</sup>

22 February 1715.

[Appointed Thomas Smith, dean of guild, "in name of the burgh of Glasgow, Commission for their lands of Provan and others," to attend a meeting of the shire of Lanark, <sup>to go to</sup> to be held at the burgh of Lanark on 24th February, "to proceed with the other <sup>Lanark.</sup> barrons and freeholders" for choosing a commissioner to represent the shire in parliament.]

28 March 1715.

Act anent the  
jaylor.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering how much the interest and security of the city does require that sufficient caution be taken from such person or persons who is or shall hereafter be appointed by them to be jaylor and keeper of their tolbooth, and intrusted with the custody of prisoners sent or committed thereto, doe therefore statute, appoint and ordaine that sufficient caution be required and taken of the present jaylor, and of all subsequent jaylors to be nominated and appointed for the exerceing the said office, that at least one of the saids cautioners be ane of the most considerable merchants or tradesmen, burgesses, living and resideing within the city, to free, relieve, disburden and keep the magistrats and toun councill and community skaithless of any loss or damage throw the slooth, carlessnes or malversation of the said jaylor or servants intrusted by him in any sort, and that all nominations and commissions to jaylors be only granted to endure during the councills pleasure, and that the name of any servant to be employed by any jaylor shall, before he be allowed access to the prison or to act as a servant, be notified to the magistrats for the tyme, in order to their being satisfied with his honesty and good behaviour; and whereas James Montgomery, present jaylor, hes failiyed in finding the caution offered by him to the magistrats, and that for some tyme bygone he hes been absent from his charge, leaving the trust of the prison to a servant with whose good behaviour the councill are not satisfied, and that therefor the keys of the prison are taken from him<sup>1</sup> and the charge thereof committed to a toun officer, therefore the magistrats and councill recomend to the magistrats to notifie and acquaint the spouse and freinds of the said James Montgomery that unless, betuixt and Thursday next, sufficient caution be found in the above terms for a servant to be employed by them, during the absence of the said James Montgomery, the magistrats will upon Fryday nixt deprive the said James Montgomery and nominat and appoint another jaylor; and in case the said caution be found for the said servant

<sup>1</sup> There is here somewhat of a coincidence between fact and fiction. In the same year that the jailor's "servant" was deprived of the prison keys, Dougal, the "turnkey,"

equally untrustworthy, vacated his post, hurling back the keys which he had taken with him to secure free exit to his chief (Rob Roy, chap. xxiii.).

betuixt and Thursdays night, they recomend to the magistrats to continue the said James Montgomery during pleasure, he alwise betuixt and the first of June next finding caution in the above terms for himself, servant or servants to be imployed by him.<sup>1</sup>

Anent the petition given in by James Paull, furrier, mentioning that he hes acquired a tenement and tann holes next to the Molendinor burn, at the foot of the Old Vennell above the Cross, and being desirous to enlarge his bounds and there being some vaccant ground belonging to the toun on the west side of the vennell towards the foot, betuixt the cassay and yeards there, which is made use of by the inhabitants for laying and drying of cloths in the upper pairt thereof, but that pairt nearest to the burn opposite to his land being laigh, morish and spouttie, is noways usefull to the inhabitants, and therefore craving a fewright to the said morish and spouty ground opposite to his land, which he would take in and build upon, which will be no prejudice either to the common vennell or to the inhabitants, as the said petition bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill, they remitt the same to the magistrats [and others] as a committee to sight and inspect the said ground and to take the desire of the said petition to their consideration and report their thoughts thereof to the councill.

Ordaines John Craig, late treasurer, to pay to William Tailfer, hammerman, tuo hundred pounds Scots, as the touns pairt for his renewing and making of the clock in the stiple of Hutchesons Hospitall, the said Hospitall paying the other halfe.

The provost represented that John Grahame of Dougalstoun, who is heretor to that great tenement of land in the Tronegate next the tolbooth, having by a former act daited the third of June j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and nyne, upon a petition given in by him to the councill, gott liberty to bring out that shop in the said land next to the tolbooth in a squaire lyne with the tolbooth, making the front thereof in stonework, upon condition alwayes that he, his heirs and successors, heritors of the said land, should

<sup>1</sup> There was produced on 12th April the requisite bond of caution granted by Sir James Hamilton of Rosehall, Colin Campbell of Blythwood, John Walkinshaw of Burrow-

field, (*blank*) Muirhead, younger of Breadisholme, John Wallace of Eldersly, and Adam Montgomery, merchant.

James Paulls  
petition re-  
mitted to a  
committee.

Warrant for  
William  
Tailfer.

Act in favours  
of Dougal-  
stoun for  
bringing out  
his two shops.

take the same down if thereafter it should be judged prejudicial and inconvenient by the magistrats and councill, and that now the said John Grahame was desirous to have the liberty in bringing out the rest of his shops the same way in a squair lyne with the said shop next the tolbooth, and that it was the provosts judgement that the councill might allow him to bring out the saids shops in a daill front, upon his giving in a bond to take it down when the councill pleased; which representation being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill, they hereby grant liberty to the said John Grahame to bring his other tuo shops in a squair lyne with the said other shop next to the tolbooth, making the front thereof allenarly in daill, upon condition always that he in the first place grant bond to the toun oblidging him, his heirs and successors, heretors of the said land, to take down the said daill front now to be put up by him whenever the magistrats and councill or their successors shall hereafter require the samen to be done.

12 April 1715.

Tack of the  
walkmiln.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscryved a tack in favours of John Robertson, litster, of the toun walkmiln situate upon the water of Kelvan, for the space of eleven years, commenceing from Whitsonday next, and is to be free upon his overgiving at the end of the first fyve years, . . . for payment to the toun of nynty fyve merks Scots of yearly tack-duty . . . and by the tack they [the tacksman and his cautioners] are oblidged not only sufficiently to repair the miln in walls, sclait, thack, rigging, ganging graith, such as wheels, axilltree, and other necessars whatsomver, and to uphold and mantain the same in a sufficient case and condition, and to leave her in the lyke maner at the end of the tack, to the contentment of the magistrats for the tyme, but also to remove themselves there frae at the ish of the tack, without warning or process of law, under the pain of ane hundreded pound Scots attour performance.

Act anent the  
Gorball in-  
habitants.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that in tyme bygone the inhabitants and fewers in Gorballs never questioned their astrictions to the touns milns, but were always accustomed to grind their malt thereat, till now of late that they have deserted the same and, without ouning or acquainting the magistrats and councill, have taken a miln of their

oun where they grind their malt, to the prejudice of the common good of the toun; as also considering that the saids fewers and inhabitants in Gorballs have by tollerance of the magistrats and counsell been exeemed from paying any custom at the bridge during their pleasure, the magistrats and counsell doe now rescind, cass and annull any former temporary exemptions and acts granted to or made in favours of the fewers and inhabitants in Gorballs for exeeming them from custom at the bridge, and particularly ane act made upon the tuelfth of May j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>e</sup> and fifty five years,<sup>1</sup> and grants warrand to and authorizes and allows the touns tacksmen of the bridge to exact custom thereat from the saids fewers and inhabitants in Gorballs, in the same maner as is exacted from strangers, from and after the daite hereof; and appoints the baillie of Gorballs to discharge the keeping of a school in the touns chappell or prison-house in Gorballs hereafter, which is allenarly to be made use of for a prison house and holding of courts.

1 June 1715.

[The committee appointed on 28th March last, on the petition of <sup>Report of the</sup> James Paull, currier,] reported that they had sighted and inspected the <sup>committee</sup> voyd waist ground at the foot of the Old Vennell, belonging to the toun, <sup>anent James</sup> before his tenement and tann holes, and it is their oppinion that the <sup>Paulls peti-</sup> counsell grant him a fewright of eighteen foots of the said voyd waist <sup>tion and a</sup> ground, measuring the same from the waist end of Mr. Walter Aitchisons <sup>fewright to be</sup> dyck and sixteen foot of ground from the west corner of the gavill of <sup>granted to</sup> the said James Paulls tann house, and from thence to be lyned in a straight lyne to the pine of his dyck next to the bridge, which is sixteen foot from the east corner of the said gavill of his tan house, which will be noways prejudiciall to the vennell nor passage to and frae the bridge; and that the right contain this provision that if he, or any of his successors, heretors or possessors of the said land, lay any bark, filth or dung on the touns ground that the said few right should become voyd and extinct as if it had not been granted, and that the fewduty to be contained in the said right be half a merk yearly. Which report above-wryten being heard and considered be the magistrats and counsell they

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Rec., II., pp. 313-4.

approved and hereby approve thereof and ordaines the clerk to draw up a few right thereof to him in the above terms.

Inhabitants  
in Rutherglen  
exeemed from  
custom.

The magistrats and toun councill have exeemed, during pleasure, the burges inhabitants in the toun of Rutherglen from all bridge dues or dues of their carts or horse loads going or coming throw the foords at the bridge; as also have exeemed, during pleasure, John Murdoch of Craigtoun from paying custom as a stranger, but allenarly to pay as a burges and freeman of this burgh.

7 June 1715.

Common good  
set.

[Mills, 8,850 merks; ladles, 4,550 merks; mealmarket and pecks, 1,120 merks; tron and fishmarket, 1,880 merks; bridge and crane, 1,860 merks.]

2 July 1715.

Summonds of  
nonentry and  
reduction  
against the  
fewars in  
Gorballs.

The provost represented that there were summonds of nonentry and of reduction, improbation and declarator, raised at the touns instance against the fewers in Gorballs, and sent west in order to be execute. The magistrats and councill doe impower and recomend to the magistrats and dean of gild and deacon conveener, or their successors in office, to cause serve the said summonds against the fewars and prosecute the same with all dilligence.

Equivalent  
note for man-  
tainance of  
French  
prisoners.

The provost represented that there being due to the toun [£1243 14s.] Scots, by ane equivalent note upon the third class of the civil list, for mantainance of the French prisoners taken by Captain Campbell, which ever since the same fell due hes alwise been carried on in the treasurers accompt in charge and discharge, and that when he was last at Edinburgh he had gott the said equivalent note renewed and the annuall rent added thereto, which now extends to [£128] sterling, after allowance of five per cent. to a manadger at London of the said civil list; which being heard by the magistrats and councill they ordaine the treasurers as they give in their accompts to charge themselves therewith.

Warrant,  
John  
Grahame.

Ordaines John Armour, treasurer, to pay to John Grahame, baillie, [£583 11s. 9d.] Scots money for the toun officers, water serjants, and Gorbail officers cloaths, furnishing and mounting thereof, with hatts, shoes and stockings, conforme to a particular accompt.

Appoints James Nisbitt, glazier, to be overseer and furnisher in mending the glasses in the New Church, Trone Church, Meeting House and Tolbooth of this burgh, from tyme to tyme as it stands needfull to be mended, and thir presents to continue only during the magistrats and toun counccills pleasure.

Overseer of  
the glass in  
the new and  
Tron Kirk,  
etc.

22 July 1715.

Ordaines John Armour, treasurer, to pay to Robert Stevenson, overseer of the glass work of the High Church, the soume of fifty four pounds Scots for his pains and attendance and overseeing the workmen the tyme of the cyleing, sarking, whytning and plaistering and other work in the Outer Hie Church, for eighty one days at a merk per day; as also to make payment to him of twenty pounds Scots for his pains and attendance and overseeing the workmen, the tyme of the cyleing and whytning the Laigh Kirk, for the space of thirty days at a merk per day, all since February last.

Warrant for  
Robert  
Stevenson.

26 August 1715.

The provost represented that being informed that upon severall occasions their Royall Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales had expressed their affection to the toun of Glasgow, and their speciall notice of and regaird to every token and evidence of affection and duty from this city, it was therefore judged not improper to send to her Highness a swatch of plaids as the manufactory peculiar only to this place for keeping the place in her Highness remembrance, and which might contribute to the advantage thereof and to the advancement of the credite of that manufactory, and that accordingly he had sent some pairs of the best plaids which the place afforded at the tyme, with a letter to her Royall Highness which had been tendered to her Royall Highness by Mr. Smith, member of parliament for the city, and was graciously received by her Highness, and thereupon she had directed Mr. Smith to return her thanks to the magistrats, who accordingly had wryten a letter thereanent, and another letter was also wryten to the same effect by his grace the duke of Montrose, by whom Mr. Smith was introduced to her Highness. As also represented that upon the evidences of a designed invasion from abroad, signified by his Majestys royall proclamations, the inhabitants of this city having by the magistrats

Address and  
offer to his  
Majesty for  
maintainance  
of 500 men for  
60 days.

authority mett to concert measures most proper for their own security and the defence of his Majesty and his government, and of our religion, laws and libertys; and having proposed to the magistrats to address his Majesty and to make ane offer of a regement to consist of five hundred centinels, and to be commanded by ten captains and other proper officers, to be payed by the inhabitants, for the space of sixty days, for the ends abovementioned; in prosecution whereof the magistrats for themselves and in name of the toun councill and community did address his Majesty and make the above offer, which was presented to his Majesty by his grace the duke of Montrose, and was very graciously received as a seasonable testimony of the city of Glasgows singular zeal and affection, and upon which his Majesty had directed his grace the duke of Montrose and my lord secretary Tounsend to acquaint the magistrats of his Majestys gracious reception of the said address, and return his thanks to the city for their cheerfull offer and to acquaint them of his Majestys sense of their zeal and of the care the government had taken for their security, as is more fully contained in the severall letters directed to the provost and signed by the duke of Montross and lord secretary Tounsend, all which were communicate by the provost to the inhabitants conveyed by the magistrats for that effect; and which letter to the Princess, address to his Majesty, and letters from the duke of Montross and lord secretary Tounsend and Mr. Smith being all read over, the councill approves of the procedure of the provost and other magistrats as tending to the honour and interest of the city; and appoints the said address and letters to be recorded in the principall councill book, whereof the tenor followes:—

Letter to the  
Princess.

Followes the letter by the magistrats to the Princess of Wales:—May it please your Royall Highness,—The deep sense of the great danger wherewith the Protestant interest in Europe was threatened some twelve months agoe, and the apparent hazard to which Brittan and Ireland were like to be exposed by a Popish French pairty, did at the tyme so sensibly affect us that the preventing mercy and goodness of God in bringing over our gracious sovereign King George and his Royall Highness, the Prince and your Highness, his Royall Consort, and setting our glorious King upon the throne in so peaceable a maner, did so surprisingly disipat



our fears that we were as those who dreamed and every thinking soul made to say — What shall we render to the Lord for all His benefites towards us; and the hopes of the great blessings we propose and expect from his Majestys happy government and the continuance thereof in the Prince and your Highness and your Royall issue, while sun and moon endure, are so rooted in our hearts that the Royall Family are seldom out of our thoughts and your name is much in our mouths, and we flatter our selves that it would be a real pleasure to the Royall Family to know how much they have the hearts of their loyall subjects which they have in this city and country, in a speciall maner, we humbly presume herewith to offer to your Highness, by our member of parliament, a swatch of one of the manufacturys peculiar to this place, being that of plaids which are generally used over that pairt of the United Kingdom called Scotland, by our women for covers when they go abroad, and by some men for the morning guns, or for hangings in bedchambers, which we hope your Highness will accept as a token of that our lives are devoted for the support of the Royall Family and our fortunes for the service thereof. Our uninterrupted prayers to the great God in publick and private, dailly, are that your Royall Family may be under His protection, that the designs of all its enemys may be frustrated, that distinguishing marks of Gods favour be poured down upon it, root and branches, and that it be encompassed with His loving kindness as with a sheild; and we of this city are most unfeignedly, with heart and hand, may it please your Royall Highness, your most devoted, most obedient, most faithfull and most humble subjects and servants.

Followes the address to his Majesty signed by the magistrats:—<sup>Most Address to his Majesty.</sup> Gracious Sovereign,—The city of Glasgow being deeply affected with the certain evidences of a designed invasion from abroad in favours of a Popish Pretender, and of the preparations of a restless Popish and Jaccobite faction at home, for subverting our happy constitution in church and state, and bringing us under the yolk of popery and slavery, being zealous to testifie our utter abhorance of such enemys to your Majesty, our only rightfull and lawfull Sovereign, and to our pure and holy religion and just libertys, and being convinced that it is our duty in this tyme of imminent danger to contribute our endeavours for prevent-

ing these execrable and unnaturall designs, we have therefore, not only mutually promised and solemnly engaged and oblidge ourselves to stand by and assist one another to the outmost of our power in the support and defence of your Majesty and of the protestant succession, now happily established for the preservation and security of our holy religion, civill libertys and most excellent constitution in church and state, and to obey such orders as we shall receive from your Majesty in that behalfe, but also we the magistrats of the said city, for ourselves and in name of our burgeses and inhabitants, humbly present to offer to your Majesty a regement to consist of five hundered sentinels, with ten captains and other subalterns needfull for such a regement, to be payed by us, for the space of sixty days, for defence of this city and country and support of your Majestys government against all disturbers of the same or invaiders of the country, to be commanded by such collonell, lieutenant-collonell and major as your Majesty shall appoint; and we humbly pray your Majesty to accept our cheerfull and dutyfull offer, and to authorize the listing and training of the said regement, and to nominate and appoint experienced feild officers, who may not only command the said regement but may direct and assist the whole inhabitants, who are heartily and very unanimously ready to sacrifice their lives and fortunes in defence of your Majestys person and government, and of our pure and holy religion, and the just rights and libertys of our church and state; and this being a pairt of our duty to our great God, to your sacred Majesty, and to ourselves, we may with the more hope and confidence pray that the designs of enemys may be frusterated and that your Majestys government and your subjects rights and libertys may be more firmly established. Signed, in name of the toun councill and community of the said city, by the provost and baillies thereof.

Letter from  
the duke of  
Montrose.

Followes the letter by the Duke of Montrose direct to the provost:—  
London 18 August 1715. My lord,—Yesterday Mr. Smith delivered me yours of the eight, with a letter for his Majesty from the magistrats of Glasgow which I immediately delivered, and am to acquaint yow that his Majesty was pleased very graciously to receive the same and to express himself very kindly with respect to the duty and affection that the magistrats and inhabitants of Glasgow have shoven, on this and former occasions.

to his person and government, and I doubt not but that my lord Tounsend, secretary of state, will have the like orders to signifie the same to you in his Majestys name. The King, tho he was very well satisfied with the mark of affection contained in the offer made by the toun, yet does not desire to put them to that charge, being determined at his own to support the service of the government, but directed me to returne yow his thanks for the offer made. This morning I carried Mr. Smith to wait on the Princess with the present which your toun sent her, which she received very kindly and took particular notice in a very obligeing maner of the affection of that toun to the King and his government, and laid it upon Mr. Smith to return her thanks for the present sent her. I hope I need use no arguments to convince yow how much I am disposed, upon all occasions, not only to do justice to the toun of Glasgow but to lay my self out in every thing for their service. I am, my lord, your most humble servant. *Sic subscribitur*: Montrose.

Followes the letter by my lord secretary Tounsend, direct to the provost:—Whitehall, August 18, 1715. My lord,—Having received from Letter from lord secretary Townshend. my lord duke of Montrose the letter of the city of Glasgow to his Majesty, I took the first opportunity of delivering it, which his Majesty received very graciously, looking upon it as a very seasonable testimony of the city of Glasgows singular zeal and affection to his Majestys person and government, and your lordship is directed to return them his Majestys thanks for the cheerfull offer and tender they make of their duty and service on this occasion; but his Majesty hopes such measures have been taken for the security and defence of those parts as shall be effectually for that end, without putting his subjects of your city to any further trouble and expenses, for orders have been given for returning the three regements which were lately sent to Ireland and which we hope may be with yow before this, and also for the marching into these parts of Generall Carpenters regement of dragoons, and of the levying with yow of the regement of foot to be commanded by Brigadeer Grant, and for the augmenting of all the regements now in North Brittan to twelve companys each, and sixty men a company; and if any further reinforcement shall be judged necessary [it] shall not be wanting as soon as the new levies here are compleated, which we hope may be by the first of

September. This your lordship will take the first opportunity to communicate to the magistrats and city of Glasgow, that at the same tyme they may take the satisfaction of knowing the just sense his Majesty hes of their zeal for his service, and the care the government hes taken of the peace and queit of these pairts. I have nothing further to trouble your lordship with but to assure yow that, so long as I have the honour of serving his Majesty in this station, I shall always make it my study to promote the interest and concerns of your city. I am, with great truth, my lord, your lordships most humble servant. *Sic subscribitur*: Townshend.

Letter of  
Robert  
Pringle.

Followes the letter of Robert Pringle direct to the magistrats:—Whitehall, August 19, 1715. My lord,—I am by my lords Townshends order to rectifie a mistake which I was the occasion of in his letter to yow, which is, that he wrytes that he had delivered the city of Glasgows letter to the King. The letter was indeed delivered by my lord duke of Montrose, but as his Majesty gave the answer to my lord Townshend, to be communicated to yow, when his lordship ordered me to draw the letter for yow, as I thought the citys letter had been delivered by his lordship to the King, I mentioned it so, which his lordship thought better to be rectified in this way than by another letter from himself. I am, my lord, your most obedient humble servant. *Sic subscribitur*: Ro. Pringle.

Letter from  
Mr. Smith.

Followes the letter by Thomas Smith, member of parliament for the city, direct to the provost. My lord,—Yesterday the duke of Montrose presented your letter to the King, which was most graciously received by his Majesty. My lord Townshend told me yesternight that he was ordered by the King to thank yow for your zeal, etc., which I suppose he does by this post. This day I presented the plaids to the Princess. She was extremely pleased with the complement and said a great many kind things of the city of Glasgow, that she would make that use of the plaids as should keep yow in her remembrance. I had the honour to kiss her hand, and when I was going out of her clossett she said: pray, Mr. Smith, forgett note to return my hearty thanks to the magistrats of Glasgow for their fyne present.

The petition  
of the here-  
tors of the  
burnt shops  
under Dow-  
hills tene-  
ment.

Anent the petition given in be the heretors of the five shops under the burnt tenement of land at the head of the Saltmercat belonging to the heirs of the deceised John Anderson of Dowhill, mentioning that the

said tenement and shops having become ruinous by the late accidentall fire theirin, a great pairt of the walls being yet standing but so consumed that they cannot stand long, and people passing by are in great danger, beasyde the loss the petitioners sustain in being hindered thereby of putting up their shops, and therefore craving the magistrats and councill to consider the same and appoint skilled men to visit the walls and cognosce on the insufficiency thereof, and to ordaine the burnt walls of the tenement above the shops to be taken down that so the petitioners may have liberty to cover their shops if the heretors above build not with them, as the said petition bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and councill, they remitt the same to the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to appoint skilled men to sight the saids walls and to report their judgement thereof to the councill how far the same is necessar to be taken down.

Robert Alexander, baillie, represented that by the disposition granted by the toun to Mungo Cochrane, William Arbuckle, Patrick Gow and William Struthers, and act of councill made thereupon of the date the first of October j<sup>m</sup> vj<sup>o</sup> nynty eight years, of the Bouling green, [the right then granted contained certain provisions], in maner specified in the said right and act forsaid,<sup>1</sup> yet notwithstanding thereof, the said Bouling green is now in a very insufficient case and condition and all out of order and noways fitt for use, whereby the design of bouling green will be frustrat unless the same be speedily repaired; which representation being considered be the saids magistrats and councill, they ordaine the dean of gild and deacon conveyener to sight and visit the said Bouling green and to require the said Mungo Cochrane, or any other of the ouners, by way of instrument, to keep up, mantain and repair the said bouling green and put the same in a sufficient case and condition to the effect forsaid, in the terms of their right, under the certification therein mentioned, and in case they failyie to report.

The owners  
of the bowling  
green to  
repair the  
same.

3 September 1715.

The magistrats and toun councill do nominat and appoint John Black, John Black younger, hammerman, to be keeper and overseer of the hail water wells

John Black  
to be keeper  
of the wells.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 273-4.

belonging to this city within and without the ports thereof and furnisher of the chains, bucketts, sheaves, and all other going graith and necessarys thereto [for five years, from 1st November next, for payment of 400 merks Scots, yearly], upon this provision and condition always that the said John Black, before his entry, grant bond and obligation to the toun that he shall keep and mantain the ten water wells belonging to this city, within and without the ports thereof, in a sufficient case and condition, with chains, bucketts, sheaves and all other going graith and necessarys belonging thereto, requisit and usuall for the service of the inhabitants, and furnish them sufficiently with locks and iron bands, and shall lock and open the saids wells, evening and morning, in due tyme, and shall furnish the four wells called the Four Sisters, with the Lady well, Broomilaw well, and the two wells in the New Green, with iron ladles: and shall cleanse, muck and keep clean the haill wells from tyme to tyme as they stand in need [and leave the whole in good condition on his removal from office; all under a penalty of £100 Scots] attour performance of the premises.

*7 September 1715.*

Renuncia-  
tions of seats  
in the new  
kirk.

The provost having represented that severall applications were made to him and the other magistrats by some of the inhabitants of the south quarter for seats in the new kirk, which they complain they could not obtain by reason the seats in that kirk had been purchased by persons living in different quarters, as to which they proposed that if the persons who had purchased the said seats who did not live in the quarter would be prevailed with to quyte their seats to the magistrats, upon receiving back the pryce payed by them, these seats might be sett to persons living within the quarter to better advantage for the common good, the magistrats and toun councill doe heirby grant warrand to and authorize the provost, baillies and their successors in office, to accept of a renunciation from any person who shall be willing to make the same of the right of their seats in favours of the community, and thereupon to pay back the sounge advanced by them for their seats, and to sett these seats to persons within the quarter to the best advantage.

4 October 1715.

[John Bowman, provost; William Dickie and Charles Miller, of the merchants' rank, and Thomas Hamilton, maltman, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

7 October 1715.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

12 October 1715.

[Adam Montgomery, dean of guild; Stephen Crauford, deacon convener; Dean of guild, James Smith, treasurer; John Grahame, bailie of Gorbals; John Whythill, water etc. bailie; Robert Scott, master of work; John Stevenson, visitor of maltmen; John Jamieson, visitor of gardeners; John Sym, procurator fiscal.]

The provost represented that his grace the duke of Argyll, general The duke of Argyll and lord secretary  
and commander in cheife of his Majestys forces in North Brittan, had wrote from Stirling to the magistrats, whereby his grace returns his most Townshends  
hearty thanks to this city for joyning him at the camp at Stirling with five hundered of the inhabitants, and that he would represent the citys great zeal and faithfull service to his Majesty; as also represented that according thereunto the magistrats had received a letter from my lord secretary Tounshend, bearing that the duke of Argyll had by his letter to Mr. Secretary Stanhope acquainted him with the city of Glasgow having sent five hundered of their militia to joyn him at the camp at Stirling, and the same being communicated to his Majesty, my lord Townshend had received his Majestys orders to return this city thanks for their new demonstration of their zeal for his Majestys service, and to assure the city that in all their concerns they may depend on his Majestys countenance and favours; which tuo letters the provost produced, which being read in councill the magistrats and councill ordains them to be recorded in the principall councill book and to be laid up among the touns wryts, whereof the tenor followes:—Stirling, 18 Sep- The duk of Argylls  
tember, 1715. Sir,—I am informed by baillie Broun that there are 500 letters.  
of your people upon their march to joyne me here, for which I return yow most hearty thanks, and shall be sure, as it is my duty, to represent your great zeall and faithfull service, to his Majesty by ane express

tomorrow morning. At present I will not insist upon any greater number, but desire yow will, with the greatest dispatch, informe all his Majestys freinds in the west country that I think it absolutely necessary for his Majestys service that all the fencible men should draw together at Glasgow and be ready to march as I shall acquaint them that his Majestys service requires. I am, most faithfully, your humble servant.  
*Sic subscribitur*: ARGYLL.

Lord secretary Townshends letter.

Whitehall, September 24th, 1715. My lord,—The duke of Argyll having by his letter of the 18, to Mr. Secretary Stanhope, acquainted him with the city of Glasgow having sent 500 of their militia to joyn his grace at the camp at Stirling, and this having been communicated to his Majesty, I have received his orders to return the city thanks for this new demonstration of their zeal for his Majestys service, and to assure them that in all their concerns they may depend on his Majestys countenance and favour. It is with pleasure I obey his Majestys orders, which your lordship will be pleased to communicate to the magistrats and city, and believe me to be, with great truth, my lord, your lordships most obedient humble servant. *Sic subscribitur*: TOWNSHEND.

Provost Bowman and provost Aird to be free of their receipts for the arms.

The provost represented that John Aird, late provost, having made application to his grace the duke of Argyll, generall and commander in cheife of his Majestys forces in North Brittan, for some fire arms for supplying these of the inhabitants who are now at Stirling at the camp who wanted arms, and that his grace had granted ane order upon the storekeeper in the castle, Edinburgh, for delivery of ane hundred stand of firelocks and cartrage boxes conforme to the said John Aird, being then provost, upon receipt to return them when called for, and that accordingly the saids arms were gott for which the said John Aird did grant receipt; as also that the magistrats had again made application for more arms to the place, in respect many inhabitants in the city who are fencible men wanted arms, and that his grace had given orders upon the said storemaster for three hundred more firelocks and cartrage boxes conforme, to be delivered to the provost upon his receipt to return them when called for, which receipt the provost hes accordingly granted, and a pairty of the inhabitants with carts sent in to Edinburgh to receive the arms and bring them west to this place; and further represented that in



respect the saids arms are for the touns behoofe it was but reasonable provost Aird and himself should be releived of the import and effect of the receipts given be them for the saids arms; which being considered be the magistrats and councill, they hereby enact and oblidge them and their successors in office to free and relieve the saids John Bowman, present provost, and John Aird, late provost, of their saids receipts given be them for the saids arms and haill effect and import thereof, and of all damage they can sustain or incurr throw their granting of the saids receipts.

13 October 1715.

Ordaines the dean of gild and bretheren to admitt James Chrystie, <sup>Chrystie,</sup> merchant, late provost of Stirling, <sup>burghes and</sup> gildbrother of this burgh, <sup>gild.</sup> and remitt his fynes and hold them as payed, at the desire of John Aird, late provost.

15 October 1715.

[Wheat being now at £11 the boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 ounces and 3 Bread, <sup>tallow,</sup> drops; rough tallow to be sold for 51 s. Scots the stone, and candle for 54 s. <sup>candle.</sup> Scots the stone.]

29 October 1715.

The magistrats represented that in this tyme of common danger the toun is put to vast charges and expenses in fortyfieing the toun and <sup>The treasurer to borrow £500 sterling.</sup> many other ways which they cannot evite, and that it is the advyce of his grace the duke of Argyll, generall and commander in cheife of his Majestys forces in North Brittan, the toun should be put in a better posture of defence, by drawing lynes of entrinchment about the toun in case of ane attack against his Majesty, and that the same be done with all expedition, which will be a furdur charge upon the toun, and in respect of the present stope of payments that the toun cannot gett up money from the tacksmen and others, their debtors, there is a necessity that the toun borrow money to save the touns credit, and that they had laid the same before the dean of gild and deacon conveyener, who having this day conveyened their respective ranks of merchants and trades, both the saids houses have consented and agreed that for defraying the expenses of the present exigence the toun doe borrow upon the publick credite of the toun a soume not exceeding five hundered pound sterling,

as the tuo acts of the saids merchants and trades houses under their clerks hands, which were produced in councill, bears; which being considered by the magistrats and councill, and the saids tuo acts read in their presence, they doe heirby impower James Smith, treasurer, to borrow the soume of five hundered pound sterling, at least so much thereof at a tyme as the magistrats shall think necessary for defraying the present exigence from tyme to tyme, and the magistrats and councill oblige them and their successors in office to free and releive the said James Smith of what of the said soume he shall borrow, and of any obligation to be granted by him therefor, he always holding compt to the toun for the money sua to be borrowed and received by him.

6 December 1715.

Burges and  
gild.

[Ordnained the dean of guild and his brethern to admit the following persons burgesses and guild brethern and hold their fines as paid:—Colonel John Blackader at Stirling, Colonel William Maxwell of Cardoness, Mr. Robert Simpson, professor of Mathematicks in the University of Glasgow, Robert Ferguson, merchant, Andrew Miller, cordiner.]

12 December 1715.

The captains  
of the train  
bands, their  
receipts for  
300 stand of  
arms.

The magistrats and toun councill conveened, Robert Robertson represented that he with a pairty of the inhabitants, being appointed by the magistrats to goe into Edinburgh to receive three hundered stand of arms and cartridge boxes from the storekeeper of the castle of Edinburgh, by ane order from his grace the duke of Argyll, which the magistrats procured for the service of the toun, he had accordingly brought here the saids arms, and by the magistrats order had distributed the saids three hundered stand of arms with the cartridge boxes among the severall captains of the touns trainbands, for supplying of such of the inhabitants in their severall companys who wanted arms for watching and warding and other duty, and that he had taken receipts from each captain of the number of the firelocks and cartridge boxes according as they had received, which receipts the said Robert Robertson produced in councill, which being considered be the magistrats and councill they ordaine the saids receipts to lye in the clerks hands to be made furthcoming when there shall be occasion for calling in of the saids arms.

The magistrats represented that the toun hes been and dailly continues to be at great charges and expenses in secureing of the city by making of barracads, drawing and making of lynes and tranches about the city, mounting of the cannon and making of other fortifications, dispatching of expresses, maintaining of the rebell prisoners in the castle prison, and other charges which the toun cannot evite at this juncture, the accompts of a great pairt whereof are not yet cleared nor adjusted, that for the ease of the magistrats at this occasion the councill would appoint a committee to receive and take in the saids accompts and revise and adjust them, in order to be brought befor the councill to be considered; which representation being heard and considered be the councill they appoint the dean of gild, deacon conveener, [and others] as a committee to call for and receive in the whole accompts of the touns charge and expenses in the making of the barracads, drawing and making of lynes and tranches, mounting of the cannon, and making other fortifications, dispatching of expresses, mantainance of the rebell prisoners, or other charges the toun hes been or shall be at during the present rebellion, and to revise, state and adjust the saids accompts, and thereafter lay them before the councill, and lykewise to state what the gardeners shall have for their pains and service at the tranches.

Appoynts the magistrats to wryte to his grace the duke of Argyll, generall and commander in cheif of his Majestys forces in Scotland, that his grace would be pleased to give orders for removing of the three hundreded fifty three rebell prisoners, who are lying on the touns hands and in custody in the castle prison, and easing of the toun of the burden of them and of their mantainance, in respect the militia who formerly guarded them are now gone home, which now lyes upon the toun, and that besides the touns other guards which are very numerous these prisoners require a guard of about ane hundreded men always upon them, without which they might have opportunity to escape, which very much weakens the toun and dissables the toun to make that opposition which otherwise the toun might make in case of ane attack, and also exposes the toun to be attacked by the enemy in order to the reliefe of the prisoners.

A committee  
on the touns  
accompts of  
charges in  
fortifying the  
toun.

Anent freeing  
the toun of  
the burden of  
the rebell  
prisoners.

Mr. George  
Skirvan  
demitts his  
office of  
schoolmaster.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that Mr. George Skirvan, master of the Gramer School of this city, hes now demitted and laid down his charge, he being in age and infirm which incapacitats him to discharge his office, the magistrats and councill doe hereby, before they proceed to make choyce of ane other schoolmaster, statute and ordaine that, whoever be the person that shall be chosen and appointed by the councill to be schoolmaster in his room and place, that his being so appointed and continued schoolmaster shall only be during the magistrats and councill their will and pleasure and no otherways, and that it shall be in their power to make choyce of another whenever they see cause, and further declare that the person who shall be chosen to succeed to the said Mr. George Skirvan shall not enter nor have right to the sellary payable be the toun till from and after Whitsonday next to come, but that the said Mr. George Skirvan and in case of his deceise before that tyme his representatives shall have right to the said sellary payable be the toun till the said term of Whitsonday next, but to none other of the benefices from and after the said new intrant schoolmaster his entry to the said school.

Mr. William  
Hamilton  
made school-  
master.

[With reference to the foregoing act,] the magistrats and councill, being fully informed of the literature, qualifications and good education of Mr. William Hamiltoun, governour to the lord Boyd, son to the right honourable the earl of Kilmarnock, and of his aptness and fitness to be master of the Grammer School of this city, have therefore (with and under the burdens and provisions mentioned in the above act) nominated and appointed and hereby nominate, appoint and admitt the said Mr. William Hamilton to be Grammer School master of this city, and that during the magistrats and councill, and their successors in office, their will and pleasure allenarly, as said is; and allows and appoints him to have the haill benefite, priviledges and immunities thereto belonging, siklyke and as freely in all respects as any other master of the said school possessed and enjoyed the same of before . . . with power to the said Mr. William Hamilton to ask, crave, uplift and receive the sellary and all other dues belonging thereto, yearly, termly, quarterly and proportionally, during his exerceing his office as master of the said school as said is.

16 February 1716.

Ordaines James Smith, treasurer, to pay to James Struthers, wright, Warrant, twelve pound Scots, whereof nyne pound paid out be him in levying of <sup>levying of men.</sup> men for the touns behoove before the Glasgow volunteers went to Stirling to the camp, and three pound Scots for a halbert to one of the touns serjants.

Anent the petition given in be William Alexander and Francis Wilson, tacksmen of the grass of the New Green, cropt j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> and four-<sup>William Alexander and Francis Wilsons petition.</sup> teen years, mentioning that it being nottour that during that season and especially in May and June, when the grass ryses, there was such a great drouth that the grass never gott up but was chockt by the drouth, and that they could not make up the tackduty by the grass by seven hundered merks beside the loss of their labour and pains, and that they had advanced tuo or three hundered merks more to the treasurer than they made by the grass and are yet owing four hundered merks of the tackduty which they are not able to pay, and therefore craving ane ease; which being read in presence of the councill they remitt the desire thereof to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveyener and to report.

The provost, dean of gild, and others of the committee to whom the James Paull petition of James Paull, currier, craving liberty to build a stair to his <sup>to have the liberty of building his stair.</sup> house at the foot of the old vennell near to the bridge, upon that peice of the touns ground at the end of his gavill, was remitted, as in a former act dated the sixth of December last, reported that they had sighted and visited the said ground and it was their oppinion and judgement that the granting him the liberty to build a stair at the end of his gavill would not be convenient, but the granting him the liberty to build his stair on the west sidewall next to the yaird dyck, where it would be out of the way and the common passage of the vennell noways impaired, the same would be no ways prejudiciall to the toun nor detriment to the inhabitants; which report being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill they grant liberty and allowance to the said James Paull to build his stair on the westside wall of his house next to the yaird dyck there.

The magistrats and toun councill nominats and appoints William <sup>William Miller, touns agent.</sup> Miller, wryter in Edinburgh, to be agent for this burgh, in the room and

place of Robert Campbell of Balvie, wryter to the signet, now deceist, and that during the counccills pleasure.

Commission  
for being  
elector at  
Rutherglen.

The magistrats and counccill convened, there was produced before them ane wryte or precept, under the hand of Mr. Archibald Hamilton of Dalserfe, advocat, sherriff deput of Lanerk, dated the seventh day of February instant, mentioning whereas his Majesty, by a wryte furth of his Highness chancery direct of the date or teste of the twenty fifth day of January last bypast, relating that throw the decease of Thomas Smith, esquire, late burges and member of the House of Commons in parliament, for the burghs of Rutherglen, Glasgow, Dumbarton and Renfrew, it is requisit that another burges be elected and chosen to represent the said burghs in that class and district, have therefore commanded the sherreff of the shire of Lanerk to cause the burghs of that district within the said shire to chuse their commissioners for electing a burges to the effect for-said, after the forme of the provision contained in the statute made in that behalfe; therefore the said sherriff deput, in his Majestys name and authority, and by authority of her grace the dutchess of Hamilton, high sheriff of the said shire, in obedience to the said wryte, requires and commands the provest, baillies and counccill of this burgh, furthwith and in the manner they used to chuse commissioners to the parliament of Scotland, to elect and chuse ane commissioner for this burgh to meet with the commissioners of the other burghs in the same class or district at Rutherglen (which was the preceeding burgh at the election of the said Thomas Smith, deceased), in order to elect a burges, discreet, freely and indifferently, to represent these burghs and district in the present House of Commons in parliament, and which election of a burges at the burgh of Rutherglen is to be upon the twenty fourth day of February instant, being the thirty day after the test of the said wryte, as the said wryte or precept bears. Which wryte or precept being read in presence of the saids magistrats and toun counccill, they, in pursuance thereof, did and hereby doe choyce, elect, nominat and appoint John Bowman, present provost of this burgh, to be commissioner for them, to meet with the severall commissioners commissioned and appointed by the remanent burghs of the district, viz., Rutherglen, Dumbarton and Renfrew, and that at the said burgh of Rutherglen upon the said twenty fourth day of

February instant, and then and there to elect and choyce ane burges, discreet, freely and indifferently, to represent the saids burghs and district in the present House of Commons in parliament assembled.

The dean of gild, deacon conveyener, John Aird, late provost, Thomas Peter, Robert Alexander and Mathew Gilmour, late baillies, reported that they as a committee appointed by a former act, dated the twelfth of December last, to state and revise the extraordinary charge and expenses this city hes been put to upon account of the present troubles and rebellion, by making of barracads, drawing and making of lynes and tranches about the city, mounting of cannon, and making other fortifications, dispatching of expresses for intelligence, mantainance of the rebell prisoners in the castle prison, and other charges upon account of the present troubles, had in pursuance thereof stated and revised the accompt of charge and expenses payed out on that accompt by Patrick Cree, late master of work, in August and September last, as was contained in his master of works accompt for that tyme, and the accompt of charge and expense payed out by Robert Scott, present master of work, in October, November, and December last, and what was payed out by John Armour, late treasurer, by preceipts of the magistrats drawn on him, and lykwayes severall other accompts due to other persons which are not yet payed them, all which accompts the saids reporters caused transcribe in a book apairt and have signed their reviseing thereof at the end of the said accompts, and that after calculating the soume they find that there was payed out by the said Patrick Cree, late master of work, the soume of four hundered and eighty pound three shilling ten pennies Scots, by the said Robert Scott, present master of work, the soume of three thousand eight hundered fifty three pound ten shilling, by the said John Armour, late treasurer, three thousand four hundered fourty four pound tuo shilling ten pennies, and the accompts to severall persons not yet payed to tuo thousand four hundered sixty seven pound ten shilling eight pennies Scots, extending in haill the said soumes to ten thousand tuo hundered fourty five pound seven shilling four pennies Scots, as appears by the saids accompts booked as said is, which book forsaid containing the saids accompts, with the reporters reviseing thereof, the saids reporters produced in councill; which report being heard, and the saids accompts read

Report, touns  
extraordinary  
charges upon  
accompt of  
the rebellion.

in presence of the magistrats and councill and considered be them, they approved and heirby approve thereof and of the saids reporters their care and dilligence, and ordains acts of councill to be past for paying and allowing the said soumes, and the said accompt with the reporters reviseing thereof to be booked in the principall councill book, and appoints the said committee to state and revise what furdre accompts are not yet come in and insert them in the forsaid book with the other accompts abovementioned, of which above accompts the tenor followes:—

Accompt of the extraordinary charge and expenses the toun of Glasgow was put to upon account of the present troubles and rebellion, from the latter end of July 1715 to the 1st January 1716.

Followes the accompt depursed by Patrick Cree, late master of work, from the latter end of July 1715 to 1st October 1716.

	£	s.	d.
Imprimis, to ane express that came from Edinburgh to the provost with letters about the Pretenders design of invading, ...	3	0	0
To another express from Edinburgh with furdre accompts, ...	4	16	0
To ane express from the Highlands giving account that the Highlanders were up in arms, ...	6	0	0
To fraught for bringing up the great guns from Portglasgow, ...	1	10	0
To cartage for bringing them from the Broomielaw to Glasgou, ...	2	5	0
To workmen for carrying the great guns from the cross and planting them at the ports and convenient pairts, ...	1	16	0
To 14 stone lead for ball, at 2 merks per stone, ...	19	6	8
To 18 stone more of lead for ball, ...	24	0	0
To 73 stone more lead for ball, at £1 6 s. per stone, ...	95	4	0
To 3 large powder horns for pryming the great guns, ...	1	4	0
To 33 lb. lead for fastening severall balls at severall ports, ...	2	3	8
To a serjant and five men for conveying powder from Portglasgow by baillie Murdochs order, ...	6	0	0
By provosts order to John Picken for his three horses to goe express to Air with ane officer and his servant that was sent over express to Ireland with orders for the regements there to march to Scotland, ...	10	0	0
By baillie Murdoch to Walter Barton for express to Killearn for intelligence, ...	1	10	0
By him to Mrs. Litlejohn, for her horse hyre to the country for intelligence, ...	2	0	0
By provost Aird to John Baxter, sent express to Air with letters to informe the west to be upon their guard, ...	1	16	0
By baillie Murdoch to John Baxter, sent express to Calder and another tyme to Stirling with letters for intelligence, ...	3	0	0



	£	s.	d.
By baillie Alexander, for ane express from the sherriff of Argyle with intelligence, ... ..	0	18	0
By the provost to a counceill post from Edinburgh with letters from the justice clerk, ... ..	3	0	0
By baillie Murdoch to John Wood for his horse hyre, having gone to the country for intelligence, ... ..	2	8	0
By him to John Broun for going express to Irvine with letters, ...	1	10	0
By the provost to John Baxter for going express to Kilmarnock and Air with letters, ... ..	2	8	0
By baillie Alexander to a counceill post that came from Edinburgh with letters, ... ..	0	12	0
By the magistrats to James Henry for going throw the presbitry with letters to informe their paritioners of the rebellion, ...	1	4	0
By baillie Murdoch to Hugh M'Farland going express to Roseneath with letters, ... ..	3	0	0
By him to Thomas Russell and George Niven for fraught of some powder from Portglasgow, ... ..	2	0	0
By the provost to John Baxter going express to Portglasgow with letters, ... ..	1	10	0
By baillie Murdoch to George Horn for the hyre of his tuo horses to Drymen and Kilsyth for intelligence, ... ..	7	0	0
By the provost to James Anderson for 32 cartridge boxes for the cannon, ... ..	4	16	0
By him for ane express to Dumbartan for intelligence, ... ..	1	0	0
By baillie Murdoch to David Bredine for his horse hyre to the country for intelligence, ... ..	2	8	0
By the provost to John Broun for express to Dumbartan for intelligence, ... ..	1	4	0
By baillie Murdoch to William Mitchell for the hyre of his horse express to Stirling for intelligence, ... ..	2	8	0
By him to Robert Fergusson for the hyre of his tuo horse that went to the country for intelligence, ... ..	4	0	0
By baillie Murdoch to George Allan for the hyre of his horse to the country for intelligence, ... ..	2	0	0
By him to Mathew Whitlaw for the hyre of his horse to Stirling for intelligence, ... ..	2	0	0
By provost Aird to Alexander Smith for coming express from Edinburgh with accounts of the Pretender, ... ..	3	12	0
By him for ane express to Stirling for advyce, ... ..	1	10	0
By him to John Baxter for going express to Pasley and another tyme to Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
By baillie Alexander to William M'Intyre going express to the Highlands for accounts, ... ..	4	4	0
By baillie Murdoch to John Whitlay sent express to Dumbartan for accounts, ... ..	1	4	0

	£	s.	d.
By the magistrats to James Dunlop for leading stones to the ports for barracading, ... ..	4	9	6
By them to William Hunter for leading stones, ... ..	6	0	0
By them to John Craig for leading stones, ... ..	3	12	0
By them to Duncan M'Farland for leading stones, ... ..	5	8	0
By baillie Murdoch to James Henry sent express to Portpatrick with letters to the captans of the men of war, ... ..	6	0	0
By him to William Stewart for the hyre of his horse to Buchanan for intelligence, ... ..	2	0	0
By him to David Sumervell for the hyre of his horse to Drymen and Buchanan for intelligence, ... ..	2	0	0
By him to Widow Littlejohn for the hyre of her horse to Stirling for advyce from that art, ... ..	2	14	0
By him to John Whitlaw for the hyre of his horse to Portglasgow and Greenock with accounts, ... ..	2	0	0
By him to Francis Wilson going express to Roseneath with letters, By him to David Bredine for the hyre of four horse sent to the country at several tymes for intelligence, ... ..	3	0	0
By him for the hyre of Mr. John Mitchells horse sent beyond Stirling for advyce, ... ..	8	0	0
By him to Hugh Ker sent express to Killmarnock, ... ..	3	0	0
By him to Hugh Ker sent express to Stirling for advyce, ... ..	2	4	0
By him to James Neismith for the horse hyre that went with David Grahame to Edinburgh and from thence to Stirling with letters to the duke of Argyll, ... ..	6	12	0
By him to Hugh M'Farland for going express to Stirling for accounts, ... ..	2	8	0
By him to a carter for leading stones to the ports, ... ..	1	4	0
By him to Hugh Ker sent express to Stirling for advyce, ... ..	3	0	0
By baillie Alexander to Walter Barton for the hyre of his horse to Buchanan for intelligence, ... ..	1	4	0
By baillie Murdoch to William M'Iltyre sent express to Port- glasgow, ... ..	1	18	0
To 20 carts for carting the baguage of Forfars regement to Kilsyth, being 20 double carts, ... ..	33	0	0
To 20 double carts for carting the baguage of the regement of Fushileers, ... ..	60	0	0
To cartage of Shannons regements baguage to Stirling, ... ..	13	4	0
To nyne carts for carting of Grants regements baguage to Kilsyth, To five double carts for carting the Glasgow Volunteers baguage to Stirling, ... ..	14	17	0
To carting from Edinburgh to Stirling 100 firelocks and basses to wrapt them in, ... ..	30	0	0
	18	2	0
Summa of the accompt of expenses depursed by Patrick Cree, late master of work, is ... ..	480	3	10

FOLLOWS the account of the charge and expense depursed by Robert Scott,  
present master of work, in October, November and December, 1715.

1715. Money depursed on account of expresses.

	£	s.	d.
Oct. 4—By baillie Murdochs order for three horse hyres sent to the country for intelligence, ... ..	3	..	3 : 0
6—By him to Patrick Buchanan for his horse hyre to Buchanan for intelligence, ... ..	3	:	0 : 0
10—By baillie Dickie to John Baxter sent express to Stirling with letters, ... ..	2	:	8 : 0
11—By him to William M'Intyre sent express to Portpatrick with letters to the men of war ships, ... ..	6	:	0 : 0
12—By him to the hyre of David Grahames horse sent with him express to Edinburgh for accounts, ... ..	7	:	0 : 0
13—By the provost to a post that came from Stranraur with a packett from the men of war to be forwarded, ...	0	:	12 : 0
To Mrs. Litlejohns servant for going express with a horse to Stirling with accompts by ditto order, ...	3	:	0 : 0
14—By him to Robert Mitchell for going express with his horse to Greenock to the men of war, ... ..	2	:	14 : 0
By him to Duncan Buchanan for going a guide with his horse to Biggar with captain Campbells dragoons, ...	4	:	10 : 0
By the magistrats to David Grahame for going express to Stirling and coming back with Argylls answer for raising the militia, ... ..	3	:	12 : 0
15—By baillie Dickie to John Baxter sent express to Stirling on the governments account, ... ..	2	:	8 : 0
18—By baillie Hamilton to ane express that came from Doun with intelligence, ... ..	2	:	8 : 0
19—By the provost for ane express to Drumikiln, ... ..	4	:	4 : 0
By baillie Dickie to James Aikenheid sent express to Lanerk for intelligence, ... ..	2	:	12 : 0
By him to William M'Intyre sent express to Campsie, ...	1	:	4 : 0
By him to Duncan Buchanan sent express to Edinburgh and guiding a patroll, ... ..	7	:	4 : 0
By him to John Pirrat sent express to Cardross and Gartartan, ... ..	3	:	0 : 0
20—By the provost to Mrs. Litlejohns servant for going express to Edinburgh and Stirling at tuo tymes, ...	9	:	0 : 0
By him to Robert Alexander sent express to Edinburgh, ...	6	:	0 : 0
By baillie Dickie to James Pollok sent express to Irvine, ...	3	:	0 : 0
21—By baillie Hamilton for ane express to Drumikiln for intelligence, ... ..	0	:	18 : 0
By baillie Dickie to ane express from Doun with intelligence, ... ..	2	:	8 : 0

	£	s.	d.
By the provost to John Lewis sent express with letters from Argyll to Islay at Inverairry, ... ..	6	0	0
By him to John Baxter sent express to Greenock with letters from Argyll to Islay, ... ..	2	8	0
22—By him to John M'Gilchrist for his horse hyre and expenses in going to Irvine to bring up Wightmans regiment that landed there, ... ..	2	0	0
24—By baillie Dickie to John Lewis sent express to Dumbarton on horse, ... ..	1	16	0
By him to Archibald Meinzie sent express to Provan and Munkland to be on their guard, ... ..	1	4	0
By him to Hugh Ker sent express to Paislay and Kilsyth at 2 tymes, ... ..	3	0	0
By the provost to Robert Fergusson sent express to Mayboll to Colonel Hawley to hasten him forward with the regiment, ... ..	4	0	0
25—By baillie Miller for expresses from Drumkiln, Edinburgh, and Dumfries, ... ..	2	10	0
By baillie Dickie to Duncan Buchanan sent express to Killmarnock and another tyme to Greenock, ... ..	6	0	0
By him to John Pirrat sent express to Gartartan, Lanerk and Stirling, and other places, severall tymes, ... ..	10	10	0
27—By him to John Baxter sent express to Greenock with letters, ... ..	1	16	0
By baillie Hamilton to John Lewis sent express to Stirling in the night tyme, ... ..	3	0	0
28—By baillie Dickie to Duncan Buchanan sent express to Lanerk and Biggar for intelligence, ... ..	5	0	0
29—By him to Walter Stewart sent express to Gartartan, ... ..	2	0	0
By the provost to Hugh Macfarland sent express to Edinburgh, ... ..	6	0	0
By him to John Baxter sent express to Pasley and Silverbank, ... ..	1	4	0
By baillie Dickie to James Wright sent express to Greenock and Stirling two tymes, ... ..	5	8	0
By him to John Lewis sent express to Stirling to Argyll, ... ..	2	14	0
31—By baillie Hamilton to John Hastie sent express to Lanerk, ... ..	2	8	0
Nov. 1—By baillie Dickie to Mathew Salmond sent express to Dumbarton, ... ..	1	0	0
2—By him to John Lewis sent express to Stirling and another tyme to Biggar for intelligence, ... ..	8	8	0
3—By baillie Hamilton for paying to baillie Dickie which he paid for expresses from Dumfries, Drumkiln, Cardross and Gartartan, ... ..	11	2	0

	£	s.	d.
4—By baillie Dickie to Hugh Ker sent express to Greenock with letters from Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
By him to William Johnston for his horse to go in persuite of the Highland rebels beyond the Shotts,	1	16	0
By him to a guide to a pairty of Captain Campbells dragoons that went in quest of the rebels, ... ..	1	10	0
By him to John Pirrat sent express to Stirling,...	2	0	0
By him to the provost which he paid for expresses from Drumikiln and Dumfreis, ... ..	4	4	0
5—By him to James Loudon for his horse to Gartartan, Stirling, Shotts and Portglasgow, sent express at severall tymes, ... ..	10	18	0
By baillie Dickie to John Lewis sent express with his horse to Douglas, ... ..	5	0	0
7—By him to Widow Littlejohns servant sent express to Kilsyth and another tyme to Stirling, ... ..	4	10	0
8—By him to Hugh M'Farland sent express to Greenock on horse back with letters, ... ..	3	0	0
9—By the provost to Bryce Connell sent express to Greenock with letters on foot, ... ..	0	14	0
10—By the provost to Alexander Wright sent express to Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
11—By him to John Lewis sent express to Stirling with letters to Argyll, ... ..	3	0	0
14—By him to said Lewis sent express to Stirling, ... ..	3	12	0
15—By baillie Dickie to Widow Littlejohns servant sent express to Edinburgh and Greenock, ... ..	8	10	0
By him to James Craig for the hyre of his horse with John Wood sent express to Cardross, ... ..	2	16	0
By him to John Baxter sent express to Stirling, ... ..	2	0	0
16—By him to Mathew Jack sent express to Stirling, ... ..	2	2	0
By him to David Sumervell sent express to Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
17—By him to James Loudon which he payed for sundry expresses to Hamilton and Shotts at severall tymes,	5	19	6
By him to Colonel Maxwell which he payed for expresses from Dumfreis, ... ..	11	6	6
18—By baillie Hamilton to John Wood for going twice to Drumikill, ... ..	3	12	0
By baillie Dickie to Alexander Wright sent express to Dumfreis, ... ..	7	0	0
By him to Alexander Johnston sent express to Stirling in the night tyme and for quick dispatch, ... ..	4	4	0
22—By baillie Dickie to John Whitlaw sent express to Stirling and another tyme to Govan, ... ..	4	16	0
24—By baillie Hamilton to John Lewis sent express to Stirling,	3	6	0

	By him to Duncan Buchanan and tuo other horse hyrers for a guide to the officers of 2 regements, ...	£	s.	d.
		4	0	0
25—	By the dean of gild for severall expresses to Edinburgh and other pairts which he payed as per account, ...	12	10	0
Dec. 5—	By the provost to John Baxter sent express twice to Stirling, ...	3	12	0
14—	By him to John Craig for his horse to Drumikiln, Cardross and Gartartan, sent with John Wood who was sent express, ...	3	6	0
16—	By baillie Hamilton to John Wood for his going express another tyme to said garrisons, ...	2	8	0
	Account for expresses extends to ...	300	4	6

1715.	Money depursed for carting of souldiers bagage.			
Oct. 20—	By baillie Dickies order to George Craig and other carters of advance money in carting the bagage of Haulleys dragoons, ...	£	s.	d.
		18	0	0
	By him to carters in carting of bagage belonging to Wightmans regement to Stirling, ...	26	8	0
22—	By him for carting of bagage belonging to Montagues regement, ...	36	6	0
24—	By him for carting more of said bagage, ...	3	0	0
28—	By him for carting of bagage belonging to Holleys dragoons to Kilsyth and thereafter from thence to Stirling, ...	50	8	0
Nov. 1—	By him for carting of more bagage of Haulleys dragoons, ...	7	8	0
3—	By him for more bagage of Haulleys, ...	3	0	0
	By him to Ninian Anderson, carter, for carting of ane draught of baguage belonging to souldiers, ...	3	6	0
5—	By him for carting more of souldiers baguage to Kilsyth, ...	25	11	0
15—	By him for cartage of bagage belonging to Claytons regement to Stirling, ...	18	0	0
	By him for cartage of Captain Campbells bagage to Kilsyth, ...	1	7	0
15 and 16—	By him for cartage of more bagage belonging to Clayton, ...	45	11	0
18—	By him to James Gemmell for removing of bagage and ammunition from one place to another in the toun belonging to the regements, ...	0	12	0
19—	By him for carting of bagage to Stirling belonging to Morisons regement, ...	3	0	0

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25—By him for carting of the drums belonging to Claytons regement to Stirling, ... ..	£ s. d. 3 : 0 : 0
28—By him for carting of camp equipage belonging to Clayton to Stirling, ... ..	2 : 14 : 0
29—By him for carting of Holley and Wightmans bagage that was left behind, ... ..	8 : 2 : 0
Dec. 2—By the provost for cartage of more bagage of Holleys to Stirling, ... ..	2 : 14 : 0
7—By baillie Hamilton for a cart of Wightmans bagage to Stirling, ... ..	2 : 14 : 0
By him for a cart of Morisons baguage to Stirling, ...	2 : 14 : 0
8—By him for a cart of Montagues baguage to Stirling, ...	2 : 14 : 0
19—By him for a cart of Wightmans bagage to Stirling, ...	2 : 14 : 0
29—By him for a cart more of Wightmans bagage to Stirling,	2 : 14 : 0
Summa, ... ..	<u>271 : 17 : 0</u>

Money payed out for leading of stones for the barracads and  
stoping and building up of passages.

1715.

Oct. 4—By baillie Murdoch to John Rowand for leading 21 draught, ... ..	£ s. d. 2 : 11 : 0
11—By conveyeners order to Dan. Grahame for leading 8 draught, ... ..	0 : 16 : 0
By baillie Murdoch to James Hunter for leading and laying 500 divets to the barracads, ... ..	3 : 11 : 8
To 4 men for casting up earth at the barracads at the Old and New Vennells and Roapwork, ... ..	2 : 10 : 0
To 3 men working at the ports, ... ..	3 : 3 : 0
18—By conveyeners order to Jo. Dobby 14 draught leading,...	1 : 8 : 0
29—By baillie Hamilton to Alexr. Gillies for 10 draught leading, ... ..	0 : 15 : 0
Nov. 1—By baillie Dickie to Archibald Bar and William Brouster for leading 51 draught, ... ..	5 : 2 : 0
2—By baillie Hamilton to John Temple 20 draught leading, By baillie Dickie to Archibald Bar and Tho. Roy 28 draught leading, ... ..	2 : 0 : 0 3 : 10 : 0
7—By him to John Younger, Mathew Torbet, John Scott and Thomas Roy, 37 draught leading, ... ..	6 : 3 : 4
By him to James Gemmell, 1 draught, ... ..	0 : 5 : 0
9—By him to James Gemmell for carting, 60 daills, ...	0 : 10 : 0
By baillie Hamilton to Duncan M'Farlan, 13 draught leading, ... ..	1 : 6 : 0

	£	s.	d.
12—By baillie Dickies order to David Torbett and John Mitchell, 21 draught leading, ... ..	3	3	0
By him to Duncan M'Farlan and Jo. Temple, 55 draught leading, ... ..	5	10	0
By him to John Gemmell, 3 draught leading, ... ..	0	9	0
14—By baillie Hamilton to John Dobby, 20 draught leading, ... ..	2	4	0
By him to Geo. Dinsmuir, Duncan M'Farlan and Archibald Bar, 26 draught, 26 draught, ... ..	5	3	0
15—By baillie Dickie to James Henry, John Wood and Thomas Young, 16 draught, ... ..	1	12	0
By him to John Thomson and John Boyd, 14 draught, ... ..	1	8	0
By him to John Younger, 14 draught, ... ..	1	1	0
By him to William Lindsay, 5 draught, ... ..	0	10	0
17—By him to John Boyd and Thomas Young for 38 draught, ... ..	3	2	0
18—By him to John Young, 13 draught, ... ..	1	6	0
19—By him to John Boyd and Thomas Young, 97 draught leading, ... ..	7	15	6
21—By him to John Temple, John Boyd, John and Thomas Youngs, 25 draught, ... ..	4	9	0
22—By him to David Torbet, 18 draught, ... ..	1	16	0
By him to Duncan M'Farlan, 5 draught, ... ..	2	0	0
By him to John Boyd, Thomas Young, John Temple, John Younger, William Dinsmuir, John and James Craigs and Duncan M'Farlan, 69 draught, ... ..	13	16	0
23—By him to John Boyd, Thomas Young, James Craig, Duncan M'Farlan, Jo. Younger and David Torbet, 45 draught, ... ..	9	0	0
25—To Duncan M'Farlan, 7 draught, ... ..	1	8	0
26—By him to John Scott, 1 draught, ... ..	0	4	0
By him to John Boyd and Thomas Young, 17 draught, ... ..	1	8	0
By him to Archibald Bar, 6 draught, ... ..	0	12	0
By him to William Hunter, John Boyd, Thomas Young and Duncan M'Farlan, 106 draught, ... ..	7	19	0
27—By him to ditto men, 96 draught, ... ..	7	4	0
28—By him to ditto men, 96 draught, ... ..	7	4	0
By baillie Hamilton to John Rowand for 12 draught, ... ..	1	4	0
29—By baillie Dickie to William Hunter, Thomas Young and John Boyd, 46 draught, ... ..	3	19	0
Dec. 2—By the provost to John Boyd, William Hunter, John Howie and David Torbett, 72 draught, ... ..	8	0	0
By the provost to William Hunter, 14 draught, ... ..	1	8	0
By him to Duncan M'Farlan and John Craig, 14 draught, ... ..	2	16	0
By the conveyener to John Reid, 8 draught, ... ..	0	14	0



	£	s.	d.
3—By the provost to William Hunter, John Boyd, John Craig, John Howie, David Tarbet, Thomas Young, Duncan M'Farlan and John Scott, 88 draught, ...	12	0	0
4—By him to Duncan M'Farlan, 4 draught, ...	1	0	0
6—By baillie Hamiltons order to John Craig, David Tarbet, William Hunter, Thomas Young and Duncan M'Farlan, 51 draught, ...	10	18	0
7—By him to ditto persons, 63 draught, ...	12	4	0
9—By baillie Hamilton to William Hunter, John Howie, John Boyd, Thomas Young, Duncan M'Farlan and David Torbett, 36 draught, ...	6	6	0
By him to the saids persons, 47 draught, ...	8	4	0
10—By him to the saids persons, 8 draught, ...	1	8	0
To 18 draught more leading, ...	1	4	0
To 93 lb. lead for runing of batte in the gates of the barracads and a pound soap to the great guns, ...	8	3	8
Summa, ...	203	3	2

## 1715. Money payed out upon the trinches.

	£	s.	d.
Oct. 10—By provost Bowman to John Robertson and others at the West Port in barracading, ...	0	13	4
To 111 shovells for trinching, at 14 s. per peice, and mending, ...	77	18	8
To 83 mattocks to said work, at 20 s. 6 d. per peice, ...	85	1	6
To 13 new shafts to mattocks when the old broke, ...	1	12	6
To 19 spads to said work, at 4 s. starling per peice, ...	45	12	0
31—To James Crauford for 12 spads to said work, ...	30	12	0
Nov. 3—By baillie Miller for bread and drink to the trinchers, ...	14	1	0
4—By baillie Dickie to ane officer and drummer going throw the toun with proclamation for coming out with their spads and shovells, &c., ...	1	4	0
By baillie Miller to 51 men working at trinches, ...	5	2	0
By him to 103 men working at trinches, ...	10	6	0
By him to 102 men at trinches, ...	10	10	0
7—By baillie Dickie to workmen at said work, ...	3	4	0
By him to 110 men at said work, ...	17	18	0
8—By him to David Gardner for a weeks work at trinches, ...	1	16	0
By baillie Miller to 147 militia at trinching, ...	14	14	0
9—By him to 103 militia men, ...	13	0	0
By him for drink to 60 militia men at trinching, ...	6	4	8
10—By him to 127 men at trinches, ...	12	14	0
14—By him to 57 militia men, ...	5	14	0

	£	s.	d.
16—By baillie Hamilton to 45 militia, ... ..	2	5	0
By him to 49 militia, ... ..	2	9	0
17—By baillie Miller to 104 militia, ... ..	11	18	0
18—By him to 88 militia, ... ..	9	2	0
21—By baillie Miller to 133 militia at the tranches, ...	13	0	0
23—By him to 406 militia, ... ..	40	17	0
25—By him to 143 militia, ... ..	14	2	0
26—By him to 98 militia, ... ..	9	16	0
29—By him to 288 militia, ... ..	28	15	0
30—By him to ane officer to warn the gardners to trinch, ...	0	12	0
Dec. 1—By him to 36 coallziers at trenching, ... ..	3	12	0
By him to Walter Pirrat and William Baxter for work at the Rattonraw and Castle, ... ..	1	10	0
3—By him to 98 militia, ... ..	10	0	0
7—By him to 133 militia and 2 constables at said work, ...	13	16	0
9—By him to 40 militia, ... ..	4	0	0
By baillie Hamilton to John Steven for 8 dozan and four loaves, ... ..	4	3	0
13—By him to Andrew Mitchell for drink furnished to meassons at barracading and gardners at ditching, ...	3	6	0
19—By baillie Miller to 80 militia, ... ..	8	0	0
20—By him to 49 militia, ... ..	4	18	0
21—By him to 144 militia, ... ..	14	8	0
22—By him to 90 militia, ... ..	9	0	0
23—By him to 41 militia, ... ..	4	2	0
By the conveener for drink to the meassons at barra- cading, ... ..	1	5	0
30—By baillie Miller to David Cross, wright, for barracading, To baillie Hamilton for drink to the militia at the tranches as per account revised, ... ..	4	7	0
To 60 dails for yeatts to the tranches at Glasshouse, Cowloan and St. Tennochs Bridge, at 14 s. per peice, ...	30	3	0
To 2 men overseeing and taking care of the work looms at the tranches during the whole time of the work 1716. at 8 s. per day and 3 axes to said work, ... ..	42	0	0
Jan. —To drink to said overseers per account revised, ...	36	0	0
	5	11	0
Summe, ... ..	690	14	8

## Money paid to gardeners.

	£	s.	d.
1715.			
Nov. 5—By baillie Dickies order to them, ... ..	40	0	0
12—By his furdur order to them, ... ..	40	0	0
19—By the magistrats order to them, ... ..	80	0	0
26—By provost and baillie Dickies order to them, ... ..	50	0	0

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	£	s.	d.
Dec. 2—By baillie Miller and baillie Hamiltons order, ...	50	0	0
6—By their order further to them, ...	30	0	0
9—By the magistrats order to them, ...	40	0	0
20—By their further order to them, ...	60	0	0
23—By their further order to them, ...	48	0	0
22—By the provost to Jo. M'Fie for drink and bread to the gardners, ...	6	2	0
By baillie Millers verball order to them for drink, ...	2	19	0
Summe, ...	447	1	0

Money payed Mathew Craig, David Cross, Thomas Scott, and Samuel Carruith.

1715.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Nov. 2—By baillie Dickies order to Mathew Craig, ...	2	16	0			
9—By the provost and baillie Dickies order to him and ten meassons and 3 barrowmen barracading at the Gallowgate and St. Tennochs Burn, ...	46	0	0			
17—By baillie Dickies order to him, ...	20	14	0			
21—By the magistrats order to him, ...	50	0	0			
28—By baillie Dickies order to him, ...	18	0	0			
Dec. 2—By the provosts order to him, ...	50	0	0			
Nov. 3—By baillie Dickies order to him for leading 34 double draught stones, ...	4	5	0			
4—By him to said Mathew for 36 draught, ...	3	12	0			
9—By him to said Mathew for 40 draught, ...	4	0	0			
				199	7	0

Money payed to David Cross, measson, at barracading.

Nov. 24—To David Cross for stopping the passage at Buns Wynd, ...	2	16	8			
By the conveners order to him, ...	8	0	0			
By dittos order to him for a dyck at Deenside, ...	4	7	0			
By dittos order to him for stopping the passage at the Merchants Hospitall, ...	7	0	0			
				22	3	8

Money paid Thomas Scott for stones.

Dec. 15—By baillie Hamiltons order to Thomas Scott for 5 draught wall stones and 1 draught queinzies, ...	3	16	0
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	£	s.	d.
Money payed Samuel Carruith for drink to his men.			
Dec. 19—By baillie Hamilton to deacon Boyle for ale to Samuel Carruiths men at barracading, ... ..	17	8	0
Summe, ... ..	243	4	8

## 1715. Money payed out for Kirkentulloch Bridge.

	£	s.	d.
Oct. 18—By baillie Dickie to Thomas Young, Robert Logan and George Dinsmuir, for 3 draught timber leading, ...	3	12	0
25—By the magistrats to Mathew Craig and the other meassons to accompt of their work, ... ..	60	0	0
29—By baillie Dickie for eight double cart of trees and timber to Kirkentulloch at 3 s. sterling each cart, ...	14	8	0
Nov. 1—By him to William Lindsay and John Fleming for three carts timber and dails carting to Kirkentulloch, ...	5	8	0
4—By him and baillie Hamilton to Mathew Craig and the other meassons in compleat payment of their wages at Kirkentulloch Bridge, ... ..	31	0	0
5—By him to Alexander Ladler and other carters for three double draught of trees and timber, ... ..	5	8	0
7—By him to John M'Fie for ale and bread to the carters and casseyers, ... ..	7	3	0
8—By him to John M'Fie, casseyer, for casseying at the two ends of the bridge, ... ..	48	5	4
21—By the provost to Mathew Jack for carrying the meassons tools to Kirkentulloch, ... ..	0	12	0
26—By him to John M'Fie for ale and buns to the workmen, ... ..	3	4	0
By him and baillie Dickie to William Wood, gunner, overseer of the work, ... ..	12	18	0
Summe, ... ..	191	18	4

## 1715. Money payed out on the great guns.

	£	s.	d.
Oct. —To James Wood for four draught timber carting for the carriages attested by William Thomson, ... ..	0	8	0
14—By the provost to John Gray, sawer, for sawing timber, for the guns per accompt, ... ..	3	12	0
15—By him to workmen carrying the guns from the Cross to the West Port, ... ..	0	6	0
29—By him to James Anderson for fourty cartrige boxes, ...	7	12	0
By him to John Scott for 4 draught timber for carriages, ... ..	0	8	0
Nov. 3—By baillie Miller to Robert Paterson for the fraught of eight great guns from Port Glasgow, ... ..	3	12	0

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	£	s.	d.
5—By him to John Phillipshill for 2 guners 15 nights watching the guns at 8 s. per night, ...	12	0	0
24—By him to the said guners 15 nights watching,...	12	0	0
Dec. 2—By baillie Miller and baillie Hamilton to Robert Russell for 4 smal carriages, ...	9	14	0
13—By the provost to the guners for watching and service at the guns from October 14 to December 15, 1715, at 8 s. per day as per receipt from Robert Russell,	50	8	0
14—By baillie Miller to John Phillipshill for him and other guners serving and watching 16 nights, ...	12	16	0
29—By the provosts order to four gunners tuo nights watching, ...	3	4	0
Summe, ...	116	0	0

1715.	Money payed upon accompt of the Castle prisoners.	£	s.	d.
Oct. 23—	To ane accompt payed for looks and bands, ...	22	10	0
26—	By baillie Dickie to George Craig for straw to the prisoners, ...	1	0	0
31—	By him to David Neill appointed keeper of the prison to accompt, ...	24	0	0
Nov. 7—	By provosts order to James Forrester appointed keeper in place of David Neill to accompt for their maintainance, ...	60	0	0
9—	To 34 threive straw furnished by James Scott per receipt, ...	13	12	0
12—	By baillie Dickie to Patrick Stevenson, Walter Pirrat, James Shaw and William Baxter for helping the keeper of the prison and assisting him to serve the prisoners from Novr. 5th to Novr. 12, 1715, ...	11	4	0
17—	By him to James Forrester, keeper of the prisoners, to compleat his accompt and his oun service upon the prisoners to Novr. 2, ...	3	5	0
	By the said precept to him for 2 weeks wage from Novr. 2d to Novr. 16, ...	12	0	0
	By him to James Shaw and William Baxter, servants to the keeper, their wage from Novr. 13 to Novr. 17 inclusive, ...	4	0	0
5—	By the provost to James Forrester, keeper of the prison, to accompt of his expenses on the prisoners from Novr. 2d at which tyme he entered, ...	30	0	0
19—	By baillie Miller to James Shaw and William Baxter, servants to the keeper, 7 days wage from Novr. 17 to Novr. 24, 1715, ...	5	12	0

	£	s.	d.
21—By him to Walter Robb for straw, ... ..	0	10	0
22—By baillie Dickie to David Neill to compleat his wage and accompt as keeper to the 1st of Novr. after deduction of the 24 lb. above payed him, ... ..	0	4	0
26—By him to the keepers servants their wage to Novr. 26,	5	12	0
Dec. 3—By the provost to the keepers servants their wage from 26 Novr. to Decer. 3d, ... ..	5	12	0
9—By him and baillie Miller to James Forrester for three weeks sellary proceeding Decer. 8th, 18 lb., ... ..	18	0	0
12—By baillie Miller to his servants a weeks service pre- ceeding Decer. 11, ... ..	5	12	0
17—By the provost to them a weeks service to Decr. 18, ...	5	12	0
22—By him to James Forrester, keeper, 2 weeks wage to Decer. 22d, ... ..	12	0	0
23—By baillie Hamilton for cartage of fifty draught bread to the prisoners, ... ..	5	0	0
24—By baillie Miller to the keepers 2 servants a weeks wage to Decer. 24, ... ..	5	12	0
30—To James Scott for 20 thrieve straw per receipt, ...	8	0	0
31—By baillie Hamilton to the keepers servants a weeks wage to Decer. 31, ... ..	5	12	0
To 5 barrells to hold water to the prisoners, at 3 s. sterling per peice, and 5 dishes at 6 s. per peice, ...	10	10	0
By the magistrats order to the coupers for eleven tubs,	24	4	0
To 30 daills for doors and other reparations made in the castle to make the prison fencible, ... ..	21	0	0
To 60 daills for making a large gate at the castle gate,	42	0	0
Summe, ... ..	362	3	0

Money paid for carting of arms, &c., and for guns and drumers and  
others on the touns accompt.

1715.			
Oct.	—To provost Aird for 5,000 flint stones to Glasgow volunteers per accompt, ... ..	£	s. d.
		30	0 : 0
12—By	baillie Dickie to William Liston and other four carters for their subsistance upon the road in bring- ing from Edinburgh 300 stand arms to the toun, ...	30	0 : 0
	By the provost and baillie Dickie to Robert Robertson for the subsistance of the pairty that went with him to bring home the saids arms, ... ..	100	0 : 0
21—By	baillie Dickie to the carters to compleat their wage in bringing home the saids arms, ... ..	50	0 : 0
26—By	him to John Lewis for carrying flint stones to Stirling, ... ..	3	0 : 0

1716.]

## OF THE BURGH OF GLASGOW.

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	£	s.	d.
By the magistrats to William Hog for seven firelocks,...	49	0	0
Nov. 5—By baillie Hamilton to James Cook for carrying ball to Stirling, ... ..	2	8	0
16—By baillie Dickie to tuo carters for carting of baguage of Glasgow volunteers that went to Stirling for a reinforcement, ... ..	12	0	0
24—By the provost to James Stevenson for carting more of the touns mens baguage to Stirling, ... ..	7	0	0
26—By baillie Dickie to Mathew Rodger for carting of baguage home from Stirling, ... ..	7	0	0
By 129 precepts to drummers to the severall gaurds besides the touns oun drummers, ... ..	79	8	0
To 60 daills for making centry boxes, ... ..	42	0	0
To David Maine for ale to the fire guard that stayed in his house, 113 nights, by order of the committee and for coall and candle, ... ..	73	6	8
To coalls for the Rattonraw guard and Gallowgate guard, in October, November and December, per 18 precepts, ... ..	104	19	4
To 796 load of coalls at 7 s. per load and 58 stone $\frac{3}{4}$ candle, at 5 s. 6 d. the pound, extending in hail to 537 lb. 2 s. furnished to the main guard, tolbooth guard, tuo guards at the Wynd head, Drygate guard, Colledge guard, and Bridge guard, and candle to the Rattonraw and Gallowgate guards, since the first of October, out of which there is deducted 100 lb. Scots to which the coall and candle to the main guard did usually amount to in the winter quarter, when in peace, so remains of extraordinary, ... ..	437	2	0
Summe, ... ..	1,027	3	8

## ABSTRACT of the payments made by Robert Scott, master of work.

	£	s.	d.
By money depursed upon account of expreeses, ... ..	300	4	6
By money payed for carting of souldiers baguage, ... ..	271	17	0
By money payed for leading of stones to the barracads, ... ..	203	3	2
By money payed on ditching, ... ..	690	14	8
By money payed to gardners and for drink to them, ... ..	447	1	0
By money payed to Mathew Craig, David Cross, Thomas Scott and Samuel Carruith, ... ..	243	4	8
By money payed for Kirkentulloch bridge, ... ..	191	18	4
By money payed on the great guns, ... ..	116	0	0

	£	s.	d.
By money payed on the Castle prisoners, ...	362	3	0
By money payed for cartage of Glasgow mens baguage and arms and to drumers and coalls to the guards, ...	1,027	3	8
Summe, ...	3,853	10	0

MONEY payed by John Armour, treasurer, for powder and arms and for carriages to the cannon, and for bread to the rebell prisoners in the castle, by precepts granted by the magistrats as follows:—

Money payed by him for powder.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1715.						
Dec. 9—To Alexander Harvie for 100 weight,...	53	0	0			
To Peter Murdoch 6 barrells at 53 lb., being per his receipt, ...	312	0	0			
Oct. 28—To John Crauford mair for 100 weight,	53	0	0			
17—To James Henderson for 450 lb. weight,	237	0	0			
Nov. 8—To Robert Robertson, 1 cask powder 55 lb. and a halfe at 12s. per pound is ...	33	6	0			
To 6 cask containing 300 weight at 4 lb. 3s. 4d. sterling per 100 ...	150	0	0			
				183	6	0
To John Vass for 100 weight powder, ...	53	0	0			
Dec. 29—To Hugh Black for 87 lb. powder, ...	46	8	0			
Nov. 10—To James Climey for 135 lb. powder,...	72	17	0			
To John Glen for 108 lb. powder, ...	60	0	0			
				1,070	11	0

All per their receipts.

Nov. 8—To Robert Robertson to compleat the mens pay that went to bring home the 300 stand of arms from Edinburgh, the master of work having payed him 100 lb. per receipt, ...	122	10	0
Oct. 14 and 23—To George Murdoch for 15 drums and mending per receipt, ...	144	0	0
Aug. 27—To William Carlyle for 14 firelocks and bayonets at 9 lb. per peice per receipt, ...	126	0	0
Oct. 22 and Nov. 12—To Robert Russell for carriages for 4 cannon per receipt, ...	223	15	8
Sept. 2 and Dec. 5—To John Black for bayonets and other work per receipt, ...	116	12	0



Money payed for the maintainance of the rebell prisoners.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Nov. 18—By the magistrats precept to deacon Auchencloss for bread to them from Novr. 8th to Novr. 18 both inclusive, ... ..	284	19	4			
Dec. 8—By their precept to him for bread from Novr. 19, inclusive, to Decer. 2d, inclusive, ... ..	365	8	0			
17—By their precept to him from Decer. 3d inclusive to Decer. 17 inclusive, ...	384	11	10			
Jan. 9—By their precept to him from the 17 Decer. to Janry. 7th, 1716, inclusive, ... ..	605	15	0			
				1,640	14	2
Summe, ... ..	3,444	2	10			

FOLLOWES severall accompts yet owing by the toun of publick charge.

	£	s.	d.
Imprimis, to Mathew Crauford, merchant, for 400 weight powder at 51 lb. 10 s., ... ..	206	0	0
To John Blackburn 168 lb. powder at 52 lb., ... ..	87	12	0
To James Ballinnys relict and son 57 lb. powder at 53 lb., ...	39	15	0
To John Bowie, merchant, 50 lb. powder, ... ..	26	0	0
To John Craig, wright, for timber and daills furnished to the gates and barracads, as per accompt revised be dean of gild, ...	538	19	0
To Robert Dickie, wright, for timber and work for tuo barracad yeatts, one to the Bridge Port and the other to the West Port, per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..	80	12	8
To Robert Dreghorn, wright, for timber and work to the barracads on the East Port, per accompt revised by the dean of gild, ...	47	12	8
To Francis Stevenson, wright, for making pallisade gates and at barracading severall pairts of the toun, making wheell barrows for trinchng firme for the guards, as per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..	250	0	0
To William Tailfor, hammerman, for iron work for the cannon, ports, castle prison, barracads and ditching, as per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..	603	10	0
To Samuel Carruith, measson, for measson work and wages at the barracading and building up of passes and avenues, as per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..	100	0	0
To Stephen Crauford, for 4,000 flint stones sent to Stirling, per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..	24	0	0

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To William Ker and William Lauson for measson work at the barracads, ... ..	15	13	4			
To sundry persons for stones as follows, viz., to Blythswood 125 draught lying at Swans-						
yet at 2s., ... ..	12	10	0			
To John Sheills, 804 queinzies at 4s., ... ..	160	16	0			
To 40 draught wall stones at 6s., ... ..	12	0	0			
				172	16	0
To John Neilson, 12 peice long stones at 2s. sterling, ... ..	14	8	0			
To 24 peice queinzies at 4s., ... ..	4	16	0			
To 35½ double draught wall stones at 12s., ... ..	21	6	0			
				40	10	0
To John Robertson in Seit Wynd, 20 double draught wall, ... ..	12	0	0			
To 40 queinzies at 4s., ... ..	8	0	0			
To tuo long stones, ... ..	1	4	0			
				21	4	0
To John Douglass 50 peice queinzies, at 4s., ... ..	10	0	0			
To 22 draught wall stones, at 6s., ... ..	6	12	0			
				16	12	0
To John Woddrow, 38 peice queinzies at 4s., ... ..	7	12	0			
To 16 draught wall stones at 6s., ... ..	4	16	0			
				12	8	0
To George Craig, 4 queinzies at 4s., ... ..	0	16	0			
To 8 draught wall stones, ... ..	2	8	0			
				3	4	0
To William Thomson, 106 piece queinzies at 4s. per peice, ... ..	21	4	0			
To Hogenfield, 31 draught wall stones from his barn, ... ..	9	6	0			
To William Stevenson, 112 draught at 6s., ... ..	33	12	0			
To Robert Dickie, 66 draught wall stones, ... ..	19	16	0			
To 28 peice queinzies at 4s., ... ..	5	12	0			
				25	8	0
To John Fleming, 16 draught wall stones at 6s., ... ..	4	16	0			
To William Lauson, 64 queinzies at 4s., ... ..	12	16	0			

To 10 double draught wall stones	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
at 12s., ... ..	6	0	0						
				18	16	0			
							392	16	0
To Alexander Tailfer for making six bayonet and tuo new halberts,									
per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..							13	10	0
To Robert Thomson for making a feild carriage for a cannon for									
the toun, per accompt revised be the dean of gild, ... ..							42	0	0
Summe, ... ..							2,467	10	8

SUMMA totalis of the whole preceeding extraordinary expenses is as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
By Patrick Cree, late master of work, ... ..	480	3	10
By Robert Scott, present master of work, ... ..	3,853	10	0
By John Armour, treasurer, ... ..	3,444	2	10
By accompts not yet payed, ... ..	2,467	10	8
Summe, ... ..	10,245	7	4

The magistrats and toun councill convened, John Aird, late provest, represented that in May last, before the rebellion broke out, there was ane information given in to him, as then provost, and the other then magistrats, that there were some fire arms brought into this city with a design to be transported to the Highlands for the use of some nonjurors and dissaffected persons, and that the saids arms were carried to the Broomielaw in order to be put on board of a boat for the Highlands, the said John Aird upon giving in of the said information having gone allong with some others to the Broomielaw, they found there among some other chists and barrells belonging to the boat, whereof one Alexander M'Donald ownd himself master, three chists or boxes wherein there was in one of the boxes thirtein firelocks, three pair of pistolls, and twelve speir bayonets; in ane other box ten firelocks, seven pair and one single pistoll and nine speir bayonets; and in the third box nine firelocks and five pair and one single pistoll; quhich arms the said provost caused secure and carry them to the tolbuith where they lay till the rebellion broke out, and that when the voluntiers from Glasgow went to Stirling to joyn his Majesties forces the saids arms were taken out and delivered to such of the voluntiers as wanted arms, and seeing that the saids arms are yet

Provost Aird to be free of some arms that were seized going to the Highland clans.

employed in service by the inhabitants it is but just that the said John Aird and the other then magistrats who were magistrats with him at that time were freed of the saids arms; quhich representation abovewritten being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and toun counsell, they in respect thereof and that the saids arms were and are yet employed in the service of the toun and government, do hereby enact and oblige them and their successors in office to free and relieve the said John Aird, late provost, and the other magistrats who were magistrats with him last year of the saids arms and of all coast, skaith and damage they can sustain either by the seizing and securing them or giving them out for service as said is or otherways any manner of way.

Robert  
Robertson to  
be free of his  
receipt for  
300 stand  
arms.

The magistrats and toun councill convened, Robert Robertson, merchant, represented that he being appointed by the magistrats to go to Edinburgh with a party of the inhabitants to bring home three hunderd stand of arms, cartrige boxes and ammunition for the service of the toun, upon ane order quhich the magistrats had procurd from his grace the duke of Argyll, generall and commander in chiefe of his Majesties forces in North Brittain, direct to the storekeeper of the castle of Edinburgh for delivering the same, and that with the said order he had carried in with him ane receipt signed by the present provost to the storekeeper of the saids arms, but in respect that the said receipt did not quadrat and agree with the arms, cartrige boxes and ammunition quhich he received and browght home and delivered to the toun, he was obliged to give his oun receipt to the storekeeper for the saids arms, quhich is not yet returnd him, and therefor it is but just he be relieved of the import and efect of the said receipt given by him for the saids arms, cartrige boxes, and ammunition; quhich representation being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill, they hereby enact and oblige themselves and their successors in office to free and relieve the said Robert Robertson of the said receipt given by him for the saids arms, cartrige boxes and ammunition, and haill efect and import thereof, and of all damage he can sustain or incurr throw the granting of the said receipt any manner of way.

Money, late  
thesaurer,  
powder.

Ordains John Armour, late treasurer, to charge himself in his treasurer accompt with [£91 16 s.] Scots money quhich he received for ane hunderd

and eight pund weight of the touns powder quhich the earle of Lowdoun got and for fifty pund weight quhich was furnished to Mr. John Campbell of Manwir at fifty pund the 100 weight.

12 *March* 1716.

Ordaines James Smith, treasurer, to pay to John Aird, late provost, <sup>Warrant for provost Aird.</sup> fyve pund starline as his expenses and charge at Edinburgh, being there eight days in waiting on his grace the duke of Argyll before he went to London, and others of the touns friends there upon the touns accompt.

Ordains James Smith, treasurer, to pay to James Luke, goldsmith, <sup>Warrant for James Luke.</sup> thirty five pund one shilling and nyne pence, starline money, for a silver tankard weighting fourty eight unce thirtein drop, at seven shillings starline per unce, and a set of suggar boxes, weighting ninetein unce fourteen drop, at eight shillings per unce, and a server wing weighting thirty one unce and twelve drop, at six shilling and four pence per unce, conform to a particular accompt thereof revised be the dean of gild; quhich silver work was sent to Collonel William Maxwell of Cardoness as a mark of the touns favour and respect towards him for his good service in taking upon him the regulation and management of all the guards that were kept in this city, quhich during the rebellion and confusions in the neighbourhood were judged necessary to be kept in and about this city for the security thereof, and of the circumjacent countrey, both by the inhabitants, and by the voluntiers, fencible men and militia, who were called to assemble in and about this city by order of his grace the duke of Argyll, generall and commander in chiefe of his Majesties forces in North Brittain, the said Collonell Maxwell having left his oun family and countrey, above seventy miles distance from this place, at the desire of the magistrats and chiefe of the inhabitants, to take upon him the said charge and continued here undergoing the said toyll and trouble from the second of October, at which time he came here, to the nynt of February last that the rebellion was in part suppress and the rebells scatered and chased.

The magistrats represented that that ruinous burned tenement of <sup>Warrant for George Pollok, writer, his ruinous tenement.</sup> land, with yeards and pertinents, lyand within this burgh on the south side of the Gallowgate street, bounded betwixt the easter suggarie on the

east, the lands of David Donald, hammerman, on the west, the yeard called Markdayly on the south, and the hie street on the north parts, quhich belonged to the deceist George Pollok, writer in Glasgow, being apprised by order of the magistrats by vertew of the act of parliament anent ruinous lands in burghs, and horning raised thereon and execution and charge given by vertew thereof to the known heretor to build the same, conform to the said act, quhich was never done, and valued to eightein hundered merks Scots money as the outmost avall thereof, and that they the saids magistrats had by vertew of the said act of parliament, upon the fourtein day of February j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>o</sup> and sixtein years, granted ane disposition of the saids lands to James Peadie, John Luke, Robert Bogle and John Cross, merchants, proprietors of the Easter Suggary in this burgh, who have undertaken to build the same.

Committie of  
the toun's  
arms.

Appoynts Charles Miller, baillie, [and others] to make tryall whom of the inhabitants in the severall companies have any of the touns arms and to take accounts of them and to report.

26 *March* 1716.

Address sub-  
scrivit to his  
Majestie.

The magistrats and toun councill conveyened have subscribed ane address to his Majestie King George.

13 *April* 1716.

Report of the  
committie  
anent the  
touns extra-  
ordinary  
expenssis.

The deacon conveyener [and others] reported that they being appoynted as a committie by a former act, daited the twelth of December last, to state and revise the extraordinary charge and expensses this city has been put to upon acompt of the late troubles and rebellion, and that conforme thereunto, by ane act of the dait the sixtein day of February last, they had made their report of reviseing and stateing what of the saids accompts were then brought in before them, and had caused transcribe the saids accompts in a book and signed their revising thereof, which were approven by the councill and acts of councill past for the payment thereof, and by the said act they were appoynted to state and revise what furer accompts were not then come in and insert them in the forsaid book with the former accompts, and that in pursuance thereof they had again mett and revised the saids furer accompts quhich had not come in before

them at first, and caused transcribe the same in the forsaid book and signed their reviseing at the end, and that after calculating the same they find there is payd out by Robert Scot, master of work, upon the accompt forsaid in January, February and March last, [£834 11 s. 6 d.] Scots money, and by James Smith, thesaurer, [£2331 19 s. 4 d.] Scots money, and the accompts quhich are yet owing by the toun to severall persons to [£603 4 s. 2 d.] Scots money, extending in haill the saids soums to [£3769 15 s.] Scots money, as appears by the saids accompts booked as said is, which with their signd reviseing the reporters produced in councill; quhich report being heard and the saids accompts read in presence of the saids magistrats and councill and considered be them, they approved and hereby approve thereof and of the saids reporters care and dilligence, and ordains acts of counsell to be past for paying and allowing the saids soums, and the said accompt with the reporters reviseing thereof to be booked in the principall councill book, and appoynts the said committie to state and revise what further accompts there may be not yet come in and insert them in the forsaid book and the other accompts abovementioned.

Ordains James Smith, thesaurer, to have allowance in his own hand of [£2331 19 s. 4 d.] Scots money, quhich he payed to John Achencloss, <sup>Warrant, James Smith, thesaurer.</sup> baxter, for bread to the rebel prisoners in the castle prison, from the seventh day of January j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and sixtein to the fourtein day of Aprill j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and sixtein exclusive, conform to a particular accompt thereof revised by a committie of the councill appoynted for stateing and adjusting the accompts of the extraordinary charge and expenses the toun hes bein put to upon account of the rebellion and approven by ane act of the dait hereof.

Ordains James Smith, thesaurer, to pay to Robert Scot, master of work, [£834 11 s. 6 d.] Scots money payd out by him as the part of the <sup>Warrant for the master of work.</sup> touns extraordinary charge and expenssis upon accompt of the rebellion in January, February and March last, conform to a particular accompt thereof revised by a committie of the councill appoynted for that effect.

Ordains James Smith, thesaurer, to pay to Alexander Telfert, hammer- <sup>Warrant for Alexander Telfert.</sup> man, twelve pound Scots for four new halberts made and furnished by him to the north quarter company.

Warrant for  
James  
Struthers.

Ordains James Smith, thesaurer, to pay to James Struthers, wright, sixty pund Scots for his extraordinary trouble, pains and dilligence, both at Stirling when the Glasgow voluntiers were there and when they came home, in being adjutant and taking the charge and oversight of the guards kept in this place.

Warrant for  
Thomas  
Hamilton.

Ordains James Smith, treasurer, to pay to Thomas Hamilton, chyrurgeon, fourty eight pund Scots for cureing a complicat fracture on the hand of Robert Russall, the touns master gunner, quhich he received by one of the great guns, and for cureing Samuel Forsyths face, neck and breast, with the contusion on his shoulder, and the large compound wound which he received by the fireing of one of the great guns, and for cureing a large abscess on the thigh of George Dowglass who went to Stirling with the Glasgow voluntiers, and for cureing the fracture arm of James Steill, with several wounds and contusions, and for blooding one of the Highland prisoners.

Ordains James Smith, treasurer, to pay to—

Warrant for  
John Craig.

(1) John Craig, carter, fourty eight pound Scots as the pryce of his horse to quhich he was valued, being imprest to go carry the artillery to the north and returnd home lame and died.

Mathew  
Hodge.

(2) Mathew Hodge, carter, eight pund starline as the pryce of his horse to quhich he was valued, being imprest to go carry the artillery to the north and returned home lame and died.

William  
Ramsay.

(3) William Ramsay, hamerman, eleven pund two shilling Scots for keeping Mathew Hodges horse that was returned home lame from carrying the artillery eightein nights, and for his pains in useing cures.

William  
George.

(4) William George, horse setter, twenty four pund Scots quhich, with six punds Scots he received from the master of work, is in full of what he can seek upon account of his horse quhich was imprest from him and taken to the north by the army and returnd home spoyled and abused, being ridden down, and for quhich rideing he got nothing.

John Whyt-  
law.

(5) John Whytlaw, drumer, twelve pund Scots for his extraordinary pains and service night and day in acting as drumer during the rebellion.

John Wilson.

(6) John Wilson, elder, maltman, at the West Port, eleven pund four shilling Scots for ale and bread to the workers the first day they entered to the trenching, and for coall and candle to a pickit guard kept in his house for the space of twenty nights the tyme of the rebellion.



(7) Andrew Scot, baxter, six pund nyne shilling two pennies Scots Andrew Scot. for bread furnished by him to the ditchers in November last.

(8) Thomas M'Ure, wryter, twelve pund eightein shilling Scots for Thomas M'Ure. his service in wryting and drawing of billets and wryting a new book the tyme that the militia and voluntiers were quartered here, quhich is besyde a guinie formerly payd him on that account.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to John Robertson, writer, Warrant for John Robert-son. [£143 15 s.] Scots, which, with [£32 5 s.] Scots he received from Robert Scott, master of work, does compleat and make up to him fifty six pund Scots as his expensses and charge for going to Stirling and from thence to Leith, Dundie and Monross, after the army for intelligence, being sent there by the magistrats, and ane hundered and twenty pund Scots allowd to him for his pains and trouble and extraordinary wrytings upon the touns accompt the tyme of the rebellion, and other services in the touns accompt, at the election of Thomas Smith for being parliament member in February, 1715, having stayed at Rugland upwards of ten days and expeding severall instruments against the provost thereof.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to Coline Campbell of Blyths- Warrant for Coline Campbell. wood eightein pund fifein shilling Scots, upon accompt of ane hundered twenty five draught wall stones which he furnished to the barracads and for which he had ane act of counsell daited sixtein day of February last, for payment of the said stones, at two shilling the draught, which should have bein five shilling Scots the draught, swae that there remains dew to him yet the said eightein pund fifein shilling Scots.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to John Sheills in Partick Warrant for John Sheills. twelve pund Scots upon accompt of fourty double draught wall stones quhich he furnished to the barracads, and which by ane former act in his favours, daited the sixtein day of February last, for payment thereof, the same were only charged at six shilling Scots for the single draught out of mistake, which should have bein charged at twelve shilling Scots the draught, they being all double draughts, swae that there yet rests to him on that accompt the said twelve punds Scots. [Other three persons to be paid additional sums in similar circumstances.]

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to have allowance in his oun hands of Warrant, thesaurer, for plants, etc. the sum of fifty eight pund five shilling Scots payd by him to the persons

afternamed, upon accompt of the damage they sustained in their yeards by loseing their plants and other herbs by the trenchers, viz., to John Gibson, weaver, for his kaill plants and leiks, apprysed to three pund eightein shilling Scots. Item, to him for rid kaill apprysed to sixtein shilling Scots. To John Craig, gardiner, for his plants apprysed to four pund Scots. To Andrew Gilchrist, weiver, for rid kaill, apprysed to fourtein shilling Scots. To William Martine, gardiner, for rid kaill apprysed to six pund Scots. To Issobell Boill, for rid kaill, apprysed to fourty shilling Scots. To Patrick Tennent, gardiner, his relict, for kaill and plants apprysed to seven pund Scots. To Issobell Armor, for rid kaill apprysed to one pund four shilling Scots. To John Masson, gardiner, for kaill plants and leiks apprysed to four pund Scots. To Andrew Murray, for rid kaill apprysed to one pund four shilling Scots. To George Craighead, for rid kaill apprysed to two pund. To George Morison, for rid kaill apprysed to ane pund. To James Shaw, weiver, for rid kaill apprysed to one pund ten shilling. To Thomas Ritchy, weiver, for rid kaill apprysed to fiftein shilling. To Andrew Adam, tacksman of the Correction House yeard, for the damage his yeard hes sustained twenty two pund Scots; extending in haill the saids sums to the said sum of fifty eight pund five shilling Scots money.

Warrant for  
Thomas  
M'Lintoch.

Ordains James Smith, treasurer, to pay to Thomas M'Lintoch, messenger, fourty seven pund ten shilling, Scots money, in full to him of all he can seek or crave for charging and apprehending of severall persons for seat rents, at the touns instance, and executing letters of poynding the ground for the touns ground annualls, or of any other service done by him on the touns accompt in executing of letters preceeding the dait hereof.

Hamilton,  
burges.

Ordains the dean of gild and bretheren to admit John Hamilton, messon, burges of this burgh and remit his fynes and hold them as payed, upon accompt of the loss and damage he sustained throw the want of the free possession of his house and the use of his plenishing, being taken up for some tyme in keeping of a guard therein the tyme of the rebellion.

23 April 1716.

Commission  
subscribed to

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane commission in

favours of John Aird, late provost, and Allexander Finlayson, toun clerk, provost Aird mentioning that considering there is ane petition given in by this city and the clerk to the parliament craving leave might be given to bring in a bill for to repair to London. renewing and continueing this citys former grant of two pennies Scots upon the pynt of ale and beer brewed and retailed within this city, and that the parliament has ordered that leave be given to bring in the said bill for continuing the said duty, quhich accordingly is given in to the parliament, and they conceiving that not only for the expediteing thereof but also for the recovery of the great and extraordinary charge and expensses this city hes bein put to upon accompt of the late troubles and rebellion, there is a necessity that some of their own number do repair to London to prosecut and follow furth the saids affairs; therefor and for that effect they do unanimously commissionat and appoynt the said John Aird, late provost, one of their number, and the said Allexander Finlayson, clerk, to repair to London and to act in concert with Daniel Campbell of Shawfield, member of parliament for this district, and to use their endeavours to procure and obtain the said grant of two pennies on the pynt of all ale and beer brewed and retailed in this city renewed and continued, and to recover the great charges and expensses the city hes bein put to upon accompt of the late troubles and rebellion, or ane equivalent for the said charge, and to lay out, expend and deburse what expensses they shall think necessary towards the procuring of the same; and whatever they shall do in reference to the premisis they oblige them and their successors in office to abyde thereat and stand thereto, without any reclamation, and whatever summ or summs the said John Aird and Allexander Finlayson, or any of them, shall expend and deburse and lay out upon the forsaid affairs, or any other relating to the citys concern while they are at London, or what bills they together or any one of them in conjunction with the said Daniel Campbell shall draw for upon the councill or their treasurer, they bind and oblige them and their successors in office, magistrats and toun councill of this city, to make dew payment thereof, and lykewise of the said John Aird and Allexander Finlayson their own personall charge and expensses from their departure hence till their return, conform to their own subscrivit accompt.

afternamed, upon accompt of the damage they sustained in their yeards by loseing their plants and other herbs by the trenchers, viz., to John Gibson, weaver, for his kaill plants and leiks, apprysed to three pund eightein shilling Scots. Item, to him for rid kaill apprysed to sixtein shilling Scots. To John Craig, gardiner, for his plants apprysed to four pund Scots. To Andrew Gilchrist, weiver, for rid kaill, apprysed to fourtein shilling Scots. To William Martine, gardiner, for rid kaill apprysed to six pund Scots. To Issobell Boill, for rid kaill, apprysed to fourty shilling Scots. To Patrick Tennent, gardiner, his relict, for kaill and plants apprysed to seven pund Scots. To Issobell Armor, for rid kaill apprysed to one pund four shilling Scots. To John Masson, gardiner, for kaill plants and leiks apprysed to four pund Scots. To Andrew Murray, for rid kaill apprysed to one pund four shilling Scots. To George Craighead, for rid kaill apprysed to two pund. To George Morison, for rid kaill apprysed to ane pund. To James Shaw, weiver, for rid kaill apprysed to one pund ten shilling. To Thomas Ritchy, weiver, for rid kaill apprysed to fiftein shilling. To Andrew Adam, tacksman of the Correction House yeard, for the damage his yeard hes sustained twenty two pund Scots; extending in haill the saids sums to the said sum of fifty eight pund five shilling Scots money.

Warraud for  
Thomas  
M'Lintoch.

Ordains James Smith, treasurer, to pay to Thomas M'Lintoch, messenger, fourty seven pund ten shilling, Scots money, in full to him of all he can seek or crave for charging and apprehending of severall persons for seat rents, at the touns instance, and executing letters of poynding the ground for the touns ground annualls, or of any other service done by him on the touns accompt in executing of letters preceeding the dait hereof.

Hamilton,  
burges.

Ordains the dean of gild and bretheren to admit John Hamilton, messon, burges of this burgh and remit his fynes and hold them as payed, upon accompt of the loss and damage he sustained throw the want of the free possession of his house and the use of his plenishing, being taken up for some tyme in keeping of a guard therein the tyme of the rebellion.

23 April 1716.

Commission  
subscribed to

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed ane commission in

favours of John Aird, late provost, and Allexander Finlayson, toun clerk, provost Aird mentioning that considering there is ane petition given in by this city and the clerk to the parliament craving leave might be given to bring in a bill for to repair to London. renewing and continueing this citys former grant of two pennies Scots upon the pynt of ale and beer brewed and retailed within this city, and that the parliament has ordered that leave be given to bring in the said bill for continuing the said duty, quhich accordingly is given in to the parliament, and they conceiving that not only for the expediteing thereof but also for the recovery of the great and extraordinary charge and expensses this city hes bein put to upon accompt of the late troubles and rebellion, there is a necessity that some of their own number do repair to London to prosecut and follow furth the saids affairs; therefor and for that effect they do unanimously commissionat and appoynt the said John Aird, late provost, one of their number, and the said Allexander Finlayson, clerk, to repair to London and to act in concert with Daniel Campbell of Shawfield, member of parliament for this district, and to use their endeavours to procure and obtain the said grant of two pennies on the pynt of all ale and beer brewed and retailed in this city renewed and continued, and to recover the great charges and expensses the city hes bein put to upon accompt of the late troubles and rebellion, or ane equivalent for the said charge, and to lay out, expend and deburse what expensses they shall think necessary towards the procuring of the same; and whatever they shall do in reference to the premisis they oblige them and their successors in office to abyd thereat and stand thereto, without any reclamation, and whatever summ or summs the said John Aird and Allexander Finlayson, or any of them, shall expend and deburse and lay out upon the forsaid affairs, or any other relating to the citys concern while they are at London, or what bills they together or any one of them in conjunction with the said Daniel Campbell shall draw for upon the councill or their treasurer, they bind and oblige them and their successors in office, magistrats and toun councill of this city, to make dew payment thereof, and lykewise of the said John Aird and Allexander Finlayson their own personall charge and expensses from their departure hence till their return, conform to their own subscrivit accompt.

5 June 1716.

Common good set. [Mills, 8,400 merks; ladles, 4,000 merks; meal market and pecks, 1,240 merks; trou and fish market, 1,900 merks; bridge and Broomielaw, 2,010 merks.]

19 June 1716.

Provost Airds  
expenssis at  
London  
approven. John Aird, late provost, represented that he and Alexander Finlayson, toun clerk, being by a former act, daited the 23d of Aprill last, commissioned by the magistrats and counsell to repair to London, to act in concert with Daniel Campbell of Shawfield, member of parliament for this district, for procuring the grant of the two pennies on the pynt renewed and continued, quhich is now past in parliament and the grant continued for the space of sixteen years from and after the expiration of the present grant, and prosecuting other affairs of the touns, mentioned in the said act; and that conforme thereunto they had gone to London, and that towards defraying of their charge the said John Aird had received from James Smith, thesaurer, bills on Mr. William Fead, merchant in London, for [£241 16 s.] starling . . . and that he had payd out therof to the said Daniel Campbell, upon account of the said grant, [£129] starline; and that he and the said Allexander Finlayson were of charges in their journey to and from London, upon the road, having taken sometymes post horses and sometymes coatch, fourty pund starline; and that their charges, ordinary and extraordinary, and equipping themselvs whyle in London, was [£71 16 s.] starline, quhich the said John Aird had payed out, extending the saids sums swae expendit to [£240 16 s.] starline, so that there is yet a ballance of twenty shillings, starline, in the said John Airds hand.

Warrand for  
Mrs. Smith. Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to Janet Cross, relict of Thomas Smith, late dean of gild, fyve pund starline as the pryce of the Statuts of England at large, in paragraphs and sections, from Magna Charta to the end of the session of parliament, March fourteint, j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>m</sup> and four, being three volums new, bowght be the magistrats frae her for the touns behoove.

Middenstedds  
without the  
West Port  
discharged. The magistrats and toun counsell, considering that the toun is at dayly charge and expenss in paveing the streets and highways in the city and maintaining and upholding of the cassies therof, and that the allow-

ing of foulzie to be laid upon the streets and highways is altogether contrar the good order and decorum of the place; and considering that these of the inhabitants who live without the West Port have, at their own hand and without any warrand from the councill, taken up the ground betwixt the cassie and sayer, without the West Port, belonging to the toun, and made use of the same in making middensteds therof and laying their foulzie thereupon, to the opprobry of the place, whereby the cassie is not only damnified and the sayre made for carrying away of the water stoped and stagnated that there is no currency, but also the free passage and access from the street to the houses there taken up and no room left in case any of the proprietars were building there for laying down of their stones; which practise ought to be prohibited and discharged: Therefor the magistrats and toun counçill do hereby enact and ordain that the ground without the West Port, betwixt the cassie and sayer, be kept voyd and redd and no ways made use for middensteds, and hereby prohibits and discharges any of the inhabitants to take up or incroatch upon the said ground by making use of the same for middensteds or laying foulzie thereon for the future; and ordains these of the inhabitants who have now any foulzie therupon to remove the same betwixt and the first of July nixt, under the penalty of ten pund Scots to be exacted of each person contraveener, attour performance. And recommends to the magistrats to cause make intimation of thir presents to these of the inhabitants who live without the West Port and to see the above performed and punish the transgressors by imprisonment and otherwayes.

Anent the petition given in be John Gray, maltman, tacksman of the grass of the New Green, cropt 1715, mentioning that because of the irruptions and disorders of the kingdom by the late rebellion, which occasioned the inhabitants of the city many tymes to go out in arms and muster in the said Green, he sustained considerable loss and damage by the grass being trampled upon and abused, and therefor craving such allowance for his loss and damage as the councill should think fit, as the said supplication in itself at lenth bears; quhich being read and considered be the magistrats and councill, they ordain John Armour, late thesaurer, to give deduction and allowance to the said John Gray of the

Warrand for  
John Gray,  
tacksman of  
the Green.

sóume of fifty merks Scots money, upon accompt of his said loss and damage, of what he is resting of his tack duty for the grass of the said Green the said season, upon his paying up of the remainder of his resta, and upon his doing so to deliver him up his bond.

Warrant for  
Robert  
Dickie.

Ordains James Smith, treasurer, to pay to Robert Dicky, wright, [£212 2 s.] Scots money, quherof [£152 12 s.] for ten score and eighteen daills, at fourtie shilling per piece, furnished by him for the use of Kirkentalloch bridge, fourtie pund Scots for his and his mens wages in working at the said bridge, and [£19 10 s.] for naills furnished be him thereto; quhich bridge was, by order of his grace the duke of Argyll, generall and commander in chiefe of his Majesties forces in North Brittain, direct to the magistrats of Glasgow, Kilsyth and Kirkentalloch, daited the twelfth of October last, found necessary in the late rebellion for his Majesties service to be repaired so as cannon might pass the same.

The burnt  
turnpike of  
Dowhills  
tenement to  
be taken  
down.

Anent the petition given in be the heretors of the shops under the burnt tenement of land at the head of the Saltmercat belonging to the aires of the deceist John Anderson of Dowhill, [and having considered reports under the remit of 26th August last<sup>1</sup>] the magistrats and councill ordain and appoynt that if the heirs of the said deceist John Anderson of Dowhill, or their doers, take not down the said burnt turnpike, at least so far thereof as is unsufficient, and big and fill up the doors and windows thereof, so as people resorting to the closs may be free of danger therefrom, and the heretors of the shops may cover themselves without hazard, against the fourtein day of Jully nixt, that then the saids heretors of the saids shops shall have free allowance to do the same themselves, upon the charges of Dowhills aires and their doers, and to cover their shops, they taking off the said cover so soon as the said tenement shall be begun to be buildit; and appoynts the clerk to intimat the same to Dowhills aires.

29 June 1716.

The remander  
of the towns  
extraordinary  
charge to be  
booked.

Ordains the further accompts of the extraordinary charge, upon accompts of the late rebellion, revised by a committie of the councill appoynted for stating of the saids accompts, with the said revisers docking thereof, upon the dait hereof, to be booked in the principall council book.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 542-3.



Accompt of the furer extraordinary charge and expenss the toun of Glasgow hes bein put to by reason of the late troubles and rebellion, carried on from January, 1716, quhich is besyde what is before revised as per act booked February 16th, 1716.<sup>1</sup>

Followes the accompt of the said extraordinary expenses payd out by Robert Scot, master of work.

1716. Money paid for carting of souldiers baggage and forrage, &c.

		£	s.	d.
Jary.	7—By the magistrats order to Thomas Pollok and company for sixtein draught of forrage carting from this to Stirling for the army, ... ..	48	0	0
	9—By baillie Hamiltons order to John Howie for carting of forrage to Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
	12—By ditto order to James Todd for carting forrage to Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
	18—By provosts order to David Breadin for carting Captain Sempills baggage to Hamilton, ... ..	1	4	0
	23—By ditto and baillie Millers order to Robert Wilson in Gorbals, for corn and straw to his two horses when he went to Edinburgh to carry the artillery to Stirling with the other cartage horses, ... ..	6	18	0
	30—By provost and baillie Hamiltons order to James Whitlaw, Thomas Scot and Jon. Howie, for three cart draught of Stanhops dragoons baggage from this to Stirling, ... ..	10	16	0
Febry.	14—By baillie Hamiltons order to Thomas Young for a double cart [draught] of Newtons dragoons baggage from this to Perth, ... ..	6	0	0
	15—By ditto order to Alexander Bird for fourtein nights maintainance of one of the horses that went to carry the artillery, being gone astray and missing, ... ..	4	10	0
	17—By provost and baillie Hamiltons order to Mathew Tarbets relict, upon accompt of her two horses that were imprest to carry the artillery quhich were detained behind the rest, and she necessitat to hyre horses for tilling her land for want of her oun, ... ..	6	0	0
	20—By baillie Hamiltons order to James Greinlies for a double cart draught of Newtons and Stanhopes dragoons baggage from this to Perth, ... ..	7	4	0

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 553-73.

	£	s.	d.
24—By baillie Millers order to Robert Hill for carting of Edgertons regiments baggage from this to Dumbartan, ... ..	1	0	0
By do. order to Duncan M'Farlan for said cause, ...	1	4	0
By baillie Hamilton for said cause to William Lindsay, ...	1	10	0
By baillie Millers order to Jon. Fleming for two double cart draught of Edgertons baggage to Dumbartan, ... ..	3	6	0
By do. order to William Hall, carter, for said cause, ...	1	0	0
By do. order to Robert Logan, carter, for said cause, ...	1	4	0
29—By provost Bowmans order to William Aikinhead for bringing back from Perth John Robisons horse and cart quhich was left behind the rest, ...	3	0	0
By baillie Hamiltons order to William George to help to maintain his horse while oureing, being imprest to Aberdeen and returned home lame, ...	6	0	0
By do. to James Johnston for his horse to Dumbartan with Edgertons regement, ... ..	0	15	0
March 5—By do. order to do. for said cause, ... ..	0	6	0
12—By do. order to James Campble for said cause, ...	0	15	0
13—By do. order to William Lindsay for said cause, ...	2	5	0
16—By baillie Millers order for carting the souldiers baggage that went to the Highlands, ... ..	2	10	0
19—By do. order to Alexander Ladley and others for carting of Edgertons baggage to Killisyth, ...	6	12	0
By do. to John Doby to others for said cause, ...	3	6	0
20—By do. to William Liston for said cause and Andrew Brook, ... ..	3	6	0
21—By do. to William Stewart for five horse hyres to the oficers of Edgertons regement that went to Innerlochy, ... ..	5	10	0
By baillie Hamiltons order to Thomas Roy and John Younger, carters, for carting of the Scots Grays bagage to Stirling, ... ..	3	0	0
27—By provosts order to Robert Hill for carting some recruits baggage to Kirkentalloch, ... ..	0	8	0
31—By baillie Hamiltons order to James Johnston for carting baggage, ... ..	1	0	0

Money paid to drumers to the extraordinary guards.

By the magistrats warrands in 20 precepts to drumers in January and February, ... ..	8	8	0
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Money payd for coalls to the extraordinary guards in January and February.

By the magistrats written warrands for coalls to the Gallowgate, Rattonraw and Wyndhead guards in February, ... ..	£	s.	d.
	53	18	6

Money for expresses.

Febry. 1—By provosts order to Mathew Salmond for going express to Stirling and staying there two days and returning with news from the camp, ...	2	8	0
3—By provosts order to Mathew Salmond for going a second tyme express to Stirling, ... ..	2	2	0
4—By the magistrats order to John Baxter for going express to Perth for intelligence when the rebells fled, having stayd away 7 days, ... ..	4	4	0
7—By provosts order to do. for going express to Edinburgh and returning with news, ... ..	3	12	0
By baillie Hamiltons order to Mathew Salmont for going express to Stirling for news and waiting there for returns from Perth, ... ..	2	14	0
8—By provosts order to Allexander Mushat in Stirling for coming express from Stirling with news, ...	2	14	0
11—By baillie Hamiltons order to James Bowman for going express to Stirling, ... ..	2	8	0
14—By do. order to William Dagleish for going ane express, ... ..	0	8	0
18—By provosts order to Jon. Weir for going express to Dunglass to Mammoir with letters from Argyll, ...	0	12	0
20—By provosts order to John Baxter for going express to the earl of Killmarnock and master of Ross with letters from the duke of Argyll, ... ..	2	0	0
21—By provosts order to James Henry for going express to Stirling with letters to Argylls secretary, ...	2	0	0

Money payd out upon accompt of Castle prisoners.

By the magistrats six precepts to James Forester, keeper of the castle prison, as his fie for 12 weeks service from the 22 December 1715 to the 15 March 1716, at 6 lb. weekly, ... ..	72	0	0
By the magistrats 13 precepts to Walter Pirrat and Robert Stinson, servants to James Forrester, keeper of the castle prison, as their fie for 13 weeks service in helping and attending on the said James Forester to serve the castle prisoners, from the 31 December 1715 to the 1 Aprill 1716, at 2 lb. 16 s. weekly to each of them, ... ..	72	16	0

	£	s.	d.
Jary. 23—Payd for 20 thrieve straw to the Castle prisoners, ...	8	0	0
Febry. 24—Payd for 20 thrieve straw to said prisoners, ...	8	0	0
Payd for 23 thrieve wheat straw to them, ...	13	16	0

Money paid upon accompt of the great guns and other charges.

Jary. 3—By provosts order to Daniel Weems, Samuel Forsyth, Michael Dumbar and John Philpshill, for watching the cannons one night when they were set at St. Enochs gate, ...	1	12	0
21—By provosts order to James Lugie for drink to messons at the barracading, ommitted to be given in at last stateing, ...	5	8	0
23—By provosts order to baillie Hamilton for going to Stirling for procuring a warrand for arms to the toun, and going to the Shotts and other places when accompt came from the south that the rebells were flying, all of charges for himself and others with him as per accompt, ...	32	14	0
26—By baillie Hamiltons order to Patrick Letham for drink to a piquet guard that was kept in his house 3 nights, ...	1	10	0
By do. order to James Whitlaw for carting the draught stones to the ports, ommitted to be given in last stateing, ...	0	8	0
Payd to John Robison towards defraying his charges being sent by the magistrats to follow the army from Stirling to Perth, Dundie and Monroess and return accompts, ...	32	5	0
Febry. 4—By provost and baillie Millers order to James Curry and others for making up 6,000 cartriges, ...	6	16	0
By baillie Hamiltons order to George Goss for coall and candle to a picquet guard that was kept in his house, ...	4	16	0
24—By baillie Miller to Ralph Rodger as his expenssis at Stirling, being sent by the toun, ...	8	19	0
March 1—By the magistrats order to James Montgomerie, jaylor, for aliment to 5 of the Highland prisoners in the tolbuith, from the 8 of Novr. 1715 to 1 March 1716, being 113 days, at 2 s. per day, ...	56	10	0
10—By baillie Dickys order to baillie Buchanan quhich he spent at Calder with a party that was sent out there to wait for stoeping the Highlanders, ...	9	12	0
28—Payd for 68 ells blanket rug for the sick souldiers to lye in, at 7 s. 6 d. per ell, ...	25	10	0

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## OF THE BURGH OF GLASGOW.

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	£	s.	d.
Payd for six coverings to them, ... ..	14	8	0
Payd for 23 thieve and a stowk of oat straw to the castle prisoners, ... ..	9	9	0
Payd for coall and candle to the main guard, castle guard, tolbuith guard, and Bridge guard, in January and February, ... ..	206	4	0
To 22 ells farder blanket rug to the sick souldiers at 7 s. 6 d. the ell and making them, ... ..	9	5	0
To bolsters and making of them, ... ..	2	16	0

Summa of Robert Scott, master of work,  
his accompt of expenses, ... ..

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MONEY paid by James Smith, treasurer, for the maintainance of the rebell  
prisoners in the castle prison, by precepts from magistrats.

1716.

	£	s.	d.
Febry. 7—By the magistrats precept to deacon Achencloss, baxter, for bread to the rebell prisoners frae the 7 January 1716 inclusive to the 4th of February exclusive, ... ..	682	7	6
27—By ditto order to deacon Achencloss for bread from the 4 February inclusive to the 25 February exclusive, ... ..	492	10	2
March 31—By do. order to deacon Achencloss for bread from the 25 February 1716 inclusive to the 24 March exclusive, ... ..	654	14	8
Aprill 13—By do. order to deacon Achencloss for bread from the 24th March 1716 to the 14 Aprill 1716 exclusive, ... ..	502	7	0

Summa payd by James Smith, treasurer, ... ..

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FOLLOWS severall accompts owing by the toun of publick charge.

	£	s.	d.
Imprimis, to Alexander Telfert, hammerman, for four new halberts made and furnished by him to the north quarter company, ...	12	0	0
To James Struthers, wright, for his extraordinary trouble, pains and dilligence, both at Stirling when the Glasgow volunteers were there and when they came home, in being adjutant and taking the charge of the extraordinary guards in the place, ...	60	0	0
To Thomas Hamilton, chyrurgeon, for cureing a complicat fracture on the hand of Robert Russall, the touns master guner, quhich he received by one of the great guna, and for cureing			

	£	s.	d.
Samuel Forsyths face, neck and breast, with a contusion on his shoulder and a large compound wound, quhich he received by the firing of one of the great guns, and for cureing a large abscess on the thigh of George Dowglass who went to Stirling with the Glasgow voluntiers, and for cureing the fracture arm of James Steill with severall wounds and contusions, and for blooding one of the Highland prisoners, ...	48	0	0
To John Craig, carter, for the pryce of his horse to quhich he was apprysed, being imprest to go carry the artillery to the north and returned lame and died and valued to, ...	48	0	0
To Mathew Hodge, carter, for the pryce of his horse to quhich he was apprysed, being imprest to go carry the artillery to the north and returned home lame and died and valued to, ...	96	0	0
To William Ramsay, hamerman, for keeping Mathew Hodge his horse that was lame 18 nights and for his pains in using oures upon him,...	11	2	0
To William George upon accompt of his horse that was imprest and taken to the north by the army and returned spoyld, being ridden doun, and got nothing for him, 30 lb., quherof there is six pund allready payd and charged by the master of work, ...	24	0	0
To John Whitlaw, the touns drummer, for his extraordinary pains and service, night and day, in acting as drummer during the rebellion, ...	12	0	0
To John Wilson, maltman at the West Port, for ale and bread to the workers the first day they entered to the trenching, and for coall and candle to a picqued guard in his house 20 nights the tyme of the rebellion, per accompt, ...	11	4	0
To Andrew Scot, baxter, for bread furnished to the ditchers in November 1715, ...	6	9	2
To Thomas M'Ure, wryter, for his service in assisting of the quartermaster in writing and drawing of billets and wryting of a new book the tyme that the militia and voluntiers were quartered here, having formerly got a guinie and another guinie allowed him to be in full of his payment, ...	12	18	0
To John Robertson, wryter, [£176] Scots, quherof fiftie pund as his expenses for going to Stirling and from thence to Tilliebardine and to Perth, Dundie and Monross, by the magistrats order, after the army, for intelligence and for sending expresses back to Stirling where the toun had one waiting for his return, and the remainder being for his pains and trouble and great wrytings upon the touns accompt the tyme of the rebellion, and deducing [£32 5s.] quhich was payd him by the master of work, ...	143	15	0

Accompt of kaill plants and leiks quhich were destroyed by the trenches and comprised to the sums following:—

	£	s.	d.
To John Gibson, weiver, for his kaill plants and leiks, ...	3	18	0
To him for red kaill, ...	0	16	0
To Jon. Craig, gardiner, for his plants, ...	4	0	0
To Andrew Gilchrist, weiver, for red kaill, ...	0	14	0
To William Mackie, gardiner, for red kaill, ...	6	0	0
To Issosbell Boill for red kaill, ...	2	0	0
To Patrick Tenent, gardiner, his relict, for kaill and plants, ...	7	0	0
To Issobell Armor for red kaill, ...	1	4	0
To Jon. Maason, gardiner, for kaill plants and leiks, ...	4	0	0
To Andrew Murray for red kaill, ...	1	4	0
To George Craighead for red kaill, ...	2	0	0
To George Morison for red kaill, ...	1	0	0
To James Shaw, weiver, for red kaill, ...	1	10	0
To Thomas Ritchy, weiver, for red kaill, ...	0	15	0
To Andrew Adam, tacksman of the Correction house yeard, for damages done thereto by the trenching, ...	22	0	0

To severall persons for stones quhich were furnished to the barracads, for quhich they were acts of counsell past for their payment but were undercharged out of mistake, viz:—

To Coline Campbell of Blythswood 125 draught quhich were charged only at 2 s. the draught whereas they should have bein 5 s. the draught, so rests, ...	18	15	0
To John Shiells in Partick 40 draught double of wallstones which were charged at 6 s. the draught as single draughts but should have bein 12 s. the draught as double, so rests him yet, ...	12	0	0
To John Dowglass 22 draught double of wallstones quhich were charged only as single draughts, so rests him, ...	6	12	0
To George Craig at 8 draught double of wallstones quhich were charged only at single draught, so rests him, ...	2	8	0
To Robert Dicky, wright, 66 double draught wallstones quhich were charged only as single, so rests him, ...	19	16	0
	<u>603</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>

Summa of Robert Scott, master of	£	s.	d.
work, his expensiss quhich is first			
sett down, ... ..	834	: 11	: 6
Summa of James Smith the treasurer			
his charge, ... ..	2,331	: 19	: 4
By other accompts not payed by them			
as above, ... ..	603	: 4	: 2
	<u>3,769</u>	: 15	: 0

FOLLOWES funder accompts of the toun of Glasgows extraordinary charge, carried on by the committie forsaid.

Money paid by Robert Scott, master of work, upon accompt of the castle prisoners.

By the magistrats precepts payable to James Forrester, keeper of the castle prison, as his fie for fourtein weeks and three days service, at 6 lb. per week, from the 15 March to the 25 June 1716 inclusive, on quhich day the prisoners were liberat, ... ..	£	s.	d.
	80	: 0	: 0
By the magistrats precepts to Walter Pirrat and Patrick Stevenson, servants to James Forrester, in helping him to serve the prisoners for their fie for 12 weeks 2 days frae the 1 Aprill 1716 to the said 25th June 1716, at 8 s. to each of them per diem, ... ..	68	: 16	: 0
To 140 thrieve straw furnished to the prisoners, ... ..	56	: 0	: 0
To Duncan M'Farlan for drawing water to the prisoners 11 days, when the well ran dry, ... ..	12	: 0	: 0
By the provosts order to John Wodrow, phisician, for drugs and medicaments to the prisoners, ... ..	12	: 3	: 0
By provosts order to Allexander Porterfield, chyrurgeon, for old sheets for the use of the sick prisoners, ... ..	4	: 4	: 0

To the maintainance of the six prisoners who were kept in the tolbuith, as follows, viz. :—

To Allexander Campbell 2 s. per diem from November 5th 1715 to June 1, 1716, ... ..	20	: 16	: 0
To each of Allexander Stewart, David Butter, Murdoch M'Pherson, Robert and John Stewart, 2 s. per diem from the last February 1716 to June 1st 1716, ... ..	46	: 0	: 0
Summa paid out by master of work, ... ..	<u>299</u>	: 19	: 0



MONEY paid out by James Smith, thesaurer, upon accompt of  
Kirkentalloch bridge.

	£	s.	d.
Imprimis, to Robert Dickie, wright, for ten score and eightein dails at 14 s. per ps., ... ..	152	12	0
To the wrights and his own wages who went from Glasgow to work, per accompt, ... ..	40	0	0
To him for dails per accompt, ... ..	19	10	0

MONEY paid by the thesaurer for the castle prisoners.

To John Achencloss, baxter, for bread from the 14 Aprill 1716 to 12 May 1716 exclusive, ... ..	621	12	0
To do. for bread from 12 May 1716 to 9 June 1716 exclusive, ...	621	12	0
To do. from 9 June 1716 to 25 June 1716 inclusive, on quhich day they were liberat, ... ..	377	15	6
Summa paid out by the treasurer, ...	1,833	1	6

11 August 1716.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that that part called <sup>The bleitchers</sup> the Skinners Green, on the water of Clyde, belonging to the toun, <sup>on the Skin-</sup> has <sup>ners Green to</sup> bein taken up and made use of these severall years bygone by these who <sup>pay as these</sup> make a trade of bleetching, for quhich they pay not anything, to the <sup>on the New</sup> prejudice of the tacksmen of the New Green, who have a duty from these <sup>Green; red or</sup> who bleetch in the New Green, and lykewise considering that severalls <sup>foulzie.</sup> of the inhabitants do lay redd and foulzie on the grass of the said Skinners Green to the damnifying thereof; therefor the magistrats and councill statut and ordain that in tyme coming these who bleetch on the Skinners Green shall be lyable in the payment of the same duty for their bleetching there as these who bleetch in the New Green, and ordains the same to be one of the terms of the roup of the grass of the New Green for the nixt season, and thir presents to take efect from and after the said tyme. And lykewise prohibits and discharges the laying of redd or foulzie on the grass of the Skinners Green in any tyme hereafter; and recomends to the magistrats to make intimation hereof to the inhabitants and to punish the transgressors.

Petition  
against  
George  
Brooms  
slaughter-  
house.

Anent the petition given in be Robert Marshall, dyer, William Baxter, merchant, Mr. Henry Marshall, chyrurgeon, and William Thomson, chyrurgeon, heretors, and otherways interested in that great tenement of land and closs in the Tronegate quhich belonged to the deceist Robert Brock, goldsmith, mentioning that George Broom, flesher, hes some back waist ground the entery whereunto is throw a back house of his in the said closs, quhich he is now building and making large toofalls for slaughtering or killing houses, for killing of his bestiall, the allowing quherof would be a means to lay their lands wholly waist and be prejudiciall to the neighbourhead, upon accompt of the noisom smell and stink and the haunting of flesher dogs in the closs and dryving of quick kine in the closs and other damages they would sustain thereby, mentioned in the said petition; and therefor craving the councill to consider the same and put a stop thereto. Quhich petition being read in presence of the magistrats and councill they remit to the magistrats [and others] to sight and inspect the said slaughterhouse and consider on the petition and report their thoughts thereof to the councill.

Warrant for  
Robert  
Russall.

The magistrats and toun councill ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to Robert Russall, skiper, fyve pund starling for his pains and trouble in taking care of the great guns which were browght here for defence of the city the tyme of the rebellion, and seeing them mounted on the carriages, attending the wrights and smiths and giving direction how the carriages should be made, in fitting them with sponges, screws and ladles and other necessities, and trying and proving the guns and making them fitt for service, and other considerable services done by him during the rebellion, during the quhich tyme he had the misfortune to have one of his fingers bruised by the rouling of the breatch of one of the guns when they were putting her on the carriage.

Warrant for  
Hugh  
Ronald.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to Hugh Ronald, gardiner to the laird of Shawfield, fourty pund Scots for his good service, care and pains, in overseeing and directing the workers at the ditches that were made round the city at the time of the rebellion, and attending on the ditchers the whole tyme of their work, and lykewise working himself for quhich he got no allowance as the other ditchers got.

Warrant for  
the tacksmen  
of the weigh-  
house.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to allow to (*blank*), tacksmen of the

weighhouse, in the first end of the tack duty owing by them for the said weighhouse, [£129 12 s.] Scots money, and that in full payment and satisfaction to them of what they can ask, seek or demand from the toun upon accompt of the military the tyme of the late troubles their taking up and making use of the Fishmercat and weighhouse, girnells, cellars and others therein, for their baggage and other things therein, particularly the use of the Fishmercat, Generall Wightmans regiment keeping of one of the girnells thirty four weeks, Generall Evans dragoons keeping two of the girnells twenty four weeks, Brigadeer Morisons regiment keeping two of the girnells thirty weeks, Colonell Clettons regiment keeping one of the girnells four weeks, cellarge of Colonell Stanhopes baggage three weeks, Colonell Newtons dragoons keeping one of the girnells fiftein weeks, and cellarage of Forfar and Montagues regiments baggage and others and weighting of hay.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to Robert Dreghorn, wright, twenty pund Scots for stones that the toun disposed of belonging to him which were lying at the foot of his own yeard in the Bridgate, which were made use of in barracading that part at the bridge next to the Skinners Green the time of the late troubles.

Appoynts the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, to call before them the carters that were imprest and went with their horse and carts to carry the artillery from Edinburgh to Stirling, and from thence northward with the army, the tyme of the rebellion, and to adjust, state and clear accompts with them with respect to what they have gott and what the government will be owing on that accompt and to report.<sup>1</sup>

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that at the late rebellion the toun purchased a considerable quantity of powder for the service of the toun, a considerable part quherof is yet undisposed of, the magistrats and councill appoynts the same to be disposed of to sale, and ordains the master of work to take accompt thereof what is upon hand.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that albeit by a former act, daited the sixtein day of February last, James Smith, tresaurer, was

<sup>1</sup> On 6th October it was reported that there was due to the carters the sum of £57 sterling "over and besyd what the said carters

Warrant for Robert Dreghorn.

The magistrats call before them the carters.

The touns powder to be sold.

A former act in favours of John Bowie rescinded.

had received from the government for their services;" which sum the treasurer had paid.

ordained to pay to John Bowie, merchand, twenty six pund Scotts for fifty pund weight powder furnished by him to the toun the tyme of the rebellion, in manner mentioned in the said act, yet nevertheless the said powder was given to a friend of the touns who made payment thereof to the said John Bowie, therefor they hereby rescind the said former act in favours of the said John Bowie and discharges the tresaurer from paying thereof.

Warrant for  
Patrick  
Mitchell.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that John Mitchel, merchant, was appoynted by the magistrats commissary for the carts and cart horses that went for this toun to carry the artillery for the army the tyme of the rebellion, and that when the said horses and carts were discharged and returned Patrick Mitchell, maltman, late baillie, his horse which was valued to six pound ten shillings sterling was detained and kept by the principall commissaries order, as the said John Mitchell declares, and never yet returned to him, for which the said Patrick Mitchell having pursued the said John Mitchell he obtained decreet against him for the said six pund ten shillings sterling as the pryce of the said horse, and for one shilling sterling *per diem* as the horse wage from the tyme he went from this place to the service, and on quich he hes raised horning, caption and inhibition against the said John Mitchel, and lykewise considering that the toun hes not yet cleared with the said John Mitchell in respect to his management and intromission as commissary of the saids carts and draught horses, and that there will be yet something dew to the said John Mitchell on that accompt by the government, therefor the magistrats and councill ordain James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to the said Patrick Mitchell upon his granting ane assignation to the toun of the forsaied decreet obtaind be him against the said John Mitchell for the said horse and sums therein contained, and haill dilligence raised thereon, the sum of ten pund starline money, and that in full to the said Patrick of what he can ask or demand on accompt of his said horse and decreet and dilligence forsaied.

Warrant for  
James Robi-  
son.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to James Robertson, writing master, fourty shillings sterling for drawing ane description of the rebels ensigns taken at the battle of Dumblain, upon their defeat by his Majesties arms, under the command of his grace the duke of Argyll.

27 August 1716.

Ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to Bessy Bennie, relict of the deceist Richard Manwell, writer, twenty five pund starline money to be applyd towards the redemption of Hugh Manwell, her son, now in Barbary, who was about three years ago taken by the Turks, where he hes ever since continued in slavery and bondage, the Merchants and Trades House and managers of the seamens box having lykewise contributed towards his redemption.

Warrant for  
Mrs. Man-  
well.

Anent the petition given in be Janet Cross, relict of the deceist Thomas Smith, merchant, late dean of gild, mentioning that her husband having bein for severall years member of parliament for this city it is not unknown how with what care and application he served the interest of this city in all its concerns that came in his way, both at home and in parliament, and that in a manner he sequestrat himself to publick business and laid assyde his privat affairs for the service of his countrey, and more particularly of this city, and therein continued with all steddiness from the time he sett first out in a publick character till his death, which was in the moneth of January last, what advantage or reputation this place had by him several instances thereof could be made of his acting for the benefit of the inhabitants in their privat concerns during his remaining at London, which being recent cannot escape the counccills memory; but his frequent long absence from his family, and that when in the intervals of parliament he was at home he was still taken up with matters of publick concern, was cause of great loss to his privat business, whereby it dwindled to nothing and he became very much decayed in his estate, so that now after his death there appears litle to satisfie his creditors, and if all be exacted nothing will remain wherewithall to subsist and educat his sone, and his funeralls were very expensive by reason he died abroad<sup>1</sup> and was representative of the city; and albeit the city was at the charge of defraying his expenssis when from home till the last half year of his service, quhich was a very great mark of their favour and esteem of him, yet that did noways recompence the loss of his affairs to his family, which everyone knows would have been in a tolerable condition had it not been for his avocation by publick business, wherein

Committee on  
Mrs. Smiths  
petition.

<sup>1</sup> In London.

he proposed to himself not so much his own as the advantage of the place he represented; and seeing the circumstances of his said widow and son are such as that they stand in need of some provision for their better throwbearing, from the favours this city did him in his life she presumes the same goodness may incite the councill to do some thing that way for his family after his deceise, and therfor craving the councill to take her and her sons case to consideration and grant them such a soume to be payd them, yearly, or in one soume together, for their better subsistence and the education of her son, as the councill shall think fitt, as the said petition bears; which being read in presence of the magistrats and councill they appoynt the magistrats [and others] as a committie to consider upon the said petition and desire thereof and report their thoughts to the councill what is proper to be done therein.<sup>1</sup>

Fewars of  
Gorbals.  
Privat  
burialls.

As also appoynts the said committie to meet with the fewars in Gorbals and to use their endeavour to accomodat the differences betwixt the toun and them, and to report. . . . And further to consider what is proper to be done with respect to the preventing of the frequent privat burialls at diferent tymes throw the day, besyde the ordinary tyme formerly in use, quhich is a burden upon the inhabitants and particularly on the magistrats, and to report.

Warrant for  
Dowhills  
relict and  
children.

Anent the petition given in be Marion Hay, relict of the deceist John Anderson of Dowhill, late provost, and the children of the said John Anderson mentioning that in May, 1715, that great tenement of land, at the head of the Saltmercat, quhich belonged to the said deceist John Anderson and was provided to her in liferent, and in quhich she and the children lived at the tyme, being by a very sudden and accidentall fire consumed to ashes, whereby she the relict is not only deprived of a considerable part of her liferent and the children of a considerable part of the fond of their subsistence, but also by the surprise and violence of the flame the whole household furniture and plenishing and goods and gear in the house possess by her and the children were altogether burnt and consumed, she and her childern and servants escaping with difficulty and

<sup>1</sup> On the recommendation of the committee the town council, on 14th September, authorised 2000 merks to be invested for

behoof of Thomas Smith, only son of the deceased, then a "child who is a young boy about the age of seven years."

hazard of their lives, in their shirts, without either cloaths, stockings, shoes, or any other things; and that which very much augments their loss and renders the same irreparable is that not only the books, wryts, rights and securities of any subject belonging to Dowhills representatives were all burnt and consumed but also the rights and securities of any subject quhich was left to them by Mr. James Hay, so that their circumstances are very deplorable and their case very singular; and so loath and averse they were to be burdensom to the toun that they exposed the said tenement to sale by a voluntar roup, but by reason that the rights of the lands were all destroyed and burnt no person did offer for the same, so that they were under a necessity to rebuild the same and put a rooffe thereon before it be exposed to the storm of another winter and to apply to the counsell for some allowance to enable them to rebuild the same; and they humbly think that what shall be allowed to them can be no preparative for doing so to others, or that it can be drawn in consequence by others, seeing as the parallel of their case has scarce ever happened, so they hope it never shall; and they believe it will be acknowledged that the late Dowhill has deserved and merited favours from the city, and therefor craving the counsell would in consideration of the premisis grant warrand for such allowance and gratification as may enable them to put a rooffe on the said tenement, as the said petition bears. Quhich petition being read in presence of and considered be the magistrats and toun counsell they, in respect of what is represented, quhich is nottour and known, and that the petitioners case is singular, and that for the decorum of the city it is requisit that the said great tenement quhich lyes so near the cross be rebuilded and the rooffe put thereon, therefor and for enabling the petitioners in doing thereof the magistrats and counsell do hereby oblige them and their successors in office for the payment of two thousand merks, Scots money, against the first day of June nixt to come, providing that against the said tyme the petitioners have the said tenement rebuilded and the rooffe put on, quherin if they failyie against the tyme forsaid then this present act is no ways to be obligatory.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> On 21st May, 1717, the treasurer was instructed to pay to "lady Dowhill" the 2000 merks "the said great tenement being ac-

cordingly built and the roof put on by the said Marion Hay."

William  
Miller to be  
manager of  
St. Nicolas  
hospitall.

The provest produced in counsell ane order from the barrons of exchequer, daited from the treasury chamber at Edinburgh the 27 July last by past, wherein they are pleased to order that for the present the magistrats of this city should take care of the revenues of the hospitall of St. Nicolas in this city and pay the poor men belonging thereto, doing what the preceptors of the said hospitall used to do in relation to the government thereof, untill the court of exchequer shall give further directions about that matter, in manner mentioned in the said order, and represented that towards the ingathering of the hospitalls revenues it is requisite the counsell should appoynt some person quhereby the poor men in the hospitall may be payed of their benefice; quhich being heard by the magistrats and counsell, and the forsaied order read in their presence, they hereby grant warrand and commission to William Miller, writer in Edinburgh, the touns agent, to uplift, receive and ingather the yearly revenues belonging to the said hospitall from these lyable in payment thereof, and to call and pursue theirfor as accords, and to apply the same towards the payment of the poor men their benefice, and to do every other thing thereanent as any other preceptor of the said hospitall were formerly in use to do.

14 September 1716.

Act anent  
burialls.

The magistrats and others of the committie by a former act, daited the twenty sevent of Agust last, to considder upon what is proper to be done with respect to the preventing the frequent privat burialls at different tymes throw the day besyde the ordinary tyme formerly in use, quhich is a burden to the inhabitants and particularly on the magistrats and prejudiciall to the bellmen who have no other way of living, reported that it is their opinion that the ordinary tyme for burrying at two of the clock in the afternoon, on week days, be altered to three of the clock in the afternoon, both summer and winter, and the burrying on the Lords Day be at the ordinary tyme as formerly, after the skailling of the afternoon sermon, quhich may serve lykewise for privat burialls who make not use of the dead bell; and in case any privat burrying should be at any other tyme of the day that before they get liberty to break ground they pay in to the kirk treasurer, or to any other who shall be appoynted by the kirk session, three punds Scots. Quhich report being heard and



considered be the magistrats and councill they approved and hereby approve thereof, and statute and ordain that in tyme coming the ordinary time for burrying on week days be at three of the clock in the afternoon, both summer and winter, and the tyme of burrying on the Lords Day be as formerly, and ordains the bellman to advertise accordingly; and lykewise statut and ordain that in case any privat burrying shall be at any other time of the day then the time abovementioned that before they get liberty to break ground they pay into the kirk tresaurer, or to any other who shall be appoynted by the kirk session, three pund Scotts for the poor; and discharges the overseer of the graves to oppen the ground without a certificat from the tresaurer or others appoynted as said is that the said three pund is payed, excepting as to still born bairns; and lyke-wise appoynts the bellmen to have their dewes whether they make use of the bell or not.

The magistrats represented that during the time of the dependance of the bill before parliament, last session, for renewing and continueing the act for the touns two pennies on the pynt of ale for a furdre space of years, Daniel Campbell of Shawfield, member of parliament for this city and the other burghs of the district, had writen to the magistrats to send up to London to him two hogsheads Obryan wine for the use of some friends of the touns, and in compliyanse therewith they had writen to captain Mathew Campbell, merchant in Leith, to furnish the same, who accordingly had sent up the said wine to London, the accompt and charge whereof is as followes, viz.:—For two hogsheads Obryan wine, fifty pund starline; fourty four dozen eight bottles for bottling the wine, at one shilling and eight pence the duzen, [£3 15 s. 10 d.] starline; four gross corks and for bottling, ten shilling starline; to the French duties, [£14 6 s. 4 d.] starline; custom-house officers, seven shilling and six pence starline; six casks for putting the bottles in and packing them, one pund two shilling starline; bills of loading and shipping, two shilling and three pence starline; frawght and dutie at London, [£3 8 s. 6 d.] starline; extending in hail the said accompt to [£73 12 s. 5 d.] starline; and that the said Mathew Campbell had writen to them to order the payment thereof. Which being heard and considered be the magistrats and coun-cill, and the said accompts read in their presence, they approved and

Warrant for  
Mathew  
Campbell.

hereby approve of the saids magistrats their sending the saids two hogsheads Obryan wine as above, and ordains James Smith, tresaurer, to pay to the said Captain Mathew Campbell the said soume of [£73 12 s. 5 d.] starline as the pryce of the said two hogsheads wine, duties and frawght thereof and charges thereon, conforme to the above accompt.

*29 September 1716.*

Report of the  
committie  
discharging  
George  
Brooms  
slaughter-  
house.

The magistrats and others of the councill appoynted by a former act, daited the elevent day of Agust last by past, for sighting and visiting of George Broom, flesher, his slaughterhouse, complained on by the adjacent heretors, reported that they had sighted and visited the same and that albeit the said George Broom hes a servitude upon the closs of ish and entery throw a back house in the closs to his back lands, where his slaughterhouse is, yet in their opinion that servitude of ish and entery, quhich is common to the whole adjacent neighbourhead, ought to be possest and usit as formerly in time bygone and cannot be extended to give the said George Broom a libertie and servitude on the closs of dryving of his cattell and bestiall therein, to stop the free ish and entery of the other neighbours, especially considering that any entery he hes to his back lands is throw a back house, and that the allowing of what he intends would be a common prejudice and damage to the neighbourhead, and lykewise would be a bad preparative to allow slaughter houses in any closs betwixt the guard house and the cross, quhich ought to be in remoter parts of the city, and therefor it is their judgment that the said George Broom should be discharged from keeping a slaughter house there, but in respect that it is now drawing near the slaughter time and that the said George Broom has not provided himself with ane other slaughter house, it is their opinion that the councill should suspend the prohibition from taking place till the first of January nixt, but that in the meantime till then he be discharged from dryving of any of his cattell or bestiall in the closs, but that he lead them one by one by the head to the slaughter house as he hes occasion for killing; and from and after the said first of January nixt the said place to be dischargd from being kept a slaughter or killing place. Quhich report being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill, they approved and hereby approve of the saids reporters

judgement therein, and prohibits and discharges the said George Broom from keeping any slaughter or killing house for his bestialls or cattell in the forsaid backsyde, and ordains this present act to take place from and after the first day of January nixt, and in the meantyme untill the said first day of January nixt prohibits and discharges the said George Broom to dryve any of his cattell or bestiall in the said closs, but what cattell or bestiall he shall happen to kill betwixt and the tyme forsaid in the said slaughter or killing house that he shall lead them one by one thereto by the head as he hes occasion.

In pursuance of a former act [dated 1 June 1715 and another dated 16 February last,<sup>1</sup> the magistrates and council subscribed a disposition to James Pawll of ground at the foot of the Old Vennel;] quhich right contains this provision that if the said James Pawll, or his successors, heretors or possessors of the said land, shall in any time coming lay any bark, filth or dung upon the touns ground without the said piece of ground, that then and thereupon the said right and infeftment following therupon shall become voyd and extinct as if the same had not been granted; and by the said right he is to pay to the toun, yearly, half a merk at the terme of Whytsunday.

Ordains James Smith, thesaurer, to pay to John Gordon, chyrurgeon, the soume of one hundered pund, Scots money,<sup>2</sup> and that in full payment and satisfaction of what he or his partners can ask, seek or demand frae the toun for a chist of drugs, bandages, &c., furnished be him to the touns regiment of voluntiers that went to Stirling the tyme of the rebellion, and lykewise for cureing of Ninian Ury, Allexander Ritchy, Patrick Cochran, William Smith and Bryce Blair, inhabitants, of their wounds quhich they received at the toun head guard in May last, when they went up with the company to relieve the touns guard, there being opposed by the toun head company.

Ordains James Smith, thesaurer, to pay to Agnes Knox, relict of Thomas Sheills, maltman [£38 14 s.], Scots money, being three guinies

Disposition  
subscrivit to  
James Pawll.

Warrant for  
John Gordon.

Warrant for  
Mrs. Sheills.

<sup>1</sup> *Antea*, pp. 535, 551.

<sup>2</sup> On 2nd February the magistrates and council, considering this sum insufficient, authorised an additional payment of £18 10s.

to John Gordon and his partners, "it being but just seeing they are no profitters thereby they should be no losers."

allowed be the toun to her for furnishing the news letters to the coffe house frae Whytsunday j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> fifteen to Whytsunday j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>c</sup> sixtein years.

Some armes  
seized by  
them at  
Calder.

George Buchanan, late baillie, represented that he with John Riddell, younger, merchant, being sent out with a party of the inhabitants in winter last to Calder, by the magistrats order, to keep passes there and intercept the rebell deserters who had broke off and deserted when they had marched from Leith to the borders of England, in case any of them were coming back that way, and that while they were searching suspected houses and places in and about Calder for rebels, they got information there were some arms hid in a barn within a mow of corn, where a party of Cuninghame militia had taken up guard, who were sent out with the touns party to the effect forsaid, and that upon searching of the said mow of corne they found ten guns and five shables quhich they seized on, but in respect they were found under the roofe quher the party of militia kept their guard, and no person owning the saids guns and arms, the said John Riddell and he were obligt to give their recept to the captain of the militia, acknowledging that they had the saids arms, and quhich arms they accordingly browght to the toun with them; and seeing that he and the said John Riddell have now delivered up the saids armes and shables to the toun, it is but just that they be exonered and freed of them and of the recept granted be them therefor; quhich being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill, they hereby oblige them and their successors in office to free and relieve the saids George Buchanan and John Riddell of the saids ten guns and five shables, swae seizd and browght in by them as said is, and of the recept granted be them therefor, at the hands of any pretending right and interest to the saids guns and shables and of all damage they can sustain thereby.

Committie on  
the carters.

Appoynts the magistrats, dean of gild, deacon conveyener, and their successors in office, and any others of the councill they please to call for, as a committie to consider upon some rules and regulations with respect to the carters, whereby the toun may be the more easier served when there is occasion for impressing horses and carts for carrying of souldiers baggage and other public services, and to report.

2 October 1716.

[John Bowman, provost; Henry Smith and John Stirling, of the merchants' rank, and Stephen Crawford, of the crafts' rank, bailies.] Election of provost and bailies.

5 October 1716.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

10 October 1716.

[Adam Montgomerie, dean of guild; Mathew Gilmour, deacon convener; Dean of Francis Hopkirk, treasurer; James Smith, bailie of Gorbals; James Mitchell, guild, etc. water bailie; Robert Scott, master of work; John Stevenson, visitor of maltmen; William Haltrig, visitor of gardeners; John Syme, procurator fiscal.]

13 October 1716.

[Wheat being now at £11 the boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 oz. 3 drops; Bread, tallow, 6 d. loaf 5 oz. 2 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 49 s. Scots the stone, and candle. candle 52 s. Scots the stone.]

14 November 1716.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the fewars, elders and inhabitants in Portglasgow had, with their consent, agreed upon a call to be drawn up to Mr. John Anderson, preacher of the gospel, to be minister at Portglasgow, and that in pursuance thereof the reverend presbitrie of Pasley, who were applyd to, had appoynted a minister to preach there for moderating the said call which is accordingly done, and the call signed by the fewars, elders and inhabitants in Portglasgow, and now returned to the magistrats and councill to be signed by them [The call was accordingly subscribed and commissioners appointed to attend the presbitery] and do all things incumbent and needfull in prosecution of the call.

29 December 1716.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that Mr. George Skirvan, late rector of the Gramar Schooll of this city, had in December, 1715, in respect of his age and infirmity, demitted and laid down his charge, they for a support and throwbearing to the said Mr. George,

now in his old age when he is nocht able to do anything for himself, do hereby enact and oblige themselves and their successors in office for payment to the said Mr. George Skiryan of fifty merks, Scots money, quarterly . . . during the magistrats and councill and their successors in office their will and pleasure allenarly.

Doctors of  
the Gramar  
Schooll.

[Mr. William Brisbane, eldest doctor of the Gramar School, having demitted his charge in December, 1715, Mr. Andrew Lyll, then second doctor, was advanced to his place and Mr. Robert Hunter was appointed second doctor; and their salaries are declared to have commenced on 1st November, 1715.]

Call to Mr.  
Anderson in  
Dumbartan.

The magistrats represented that the elders and deacons of the north west quarter of this city had, upon the 25th instant, mett in session and had unanimously aggreed by vote upon a call to be drawn up for the reverend Mr. John Anderson, minister of the gospell at Dumbartan, for being minister of the said north west quarter, and that they had acquainted the magistrats theirof, and are resolved to petition the reverend presbitry of Glasgow for one of their number to moderat the said call if the councill go in to and concurr with the said call; which being heard and considered be the saids magistrats and councill they unanimously declared and hereby declare their willingness and readiness to joyn in the said call, and nominats and appoynts John Stirling, baillie [and others] to concurr with the members of the said north west quarter session in petitioning the said reverend presbytry at their nixt meeting, quhich is to be upon the (*blank*) day of January nixt, for one of their number to moderat the said call, and to do every thing necessary with respect thereunto.<sup>1</sup>

2 February 1717.

Committie on  
the new  
milne.

There was a petition given in by some of the maltmen against Janet Hamilton, relict of the deceist Francis Wark, milner of the touns new millne and her servants, complaining that their malt is insufficiently grund at the said milne, partly throw occasion of bad servants thereat and partly throw the insufficiency of the milne, nocht being suficiently equipt in furniture; and lykewise ane representation given in be the

<sup>1</sup> The ministers of the city were opposed to this call, but it was, on appeal, concurred in by the synod and general assembly. The

proceedings in these appeals occupy many pages of the MS. Council Records. See also *Fasti Ecclesiae Scoticanæ*, II., pp. 25, 26.

said Janet Hamilton in answer to the said complaint. Quhich being read in presence of the magistrats and counsell they remitt to the magistrats [and others] to consider the said complaint and representation, and take cognition and knowledge of the case and condition of the said milne and what is proper to be done in reference thereunto, and to report.

The magistrats represented that there being complaint tabled before them against David Mathy, flesher, and Mary M'Crea, spoussis, that they have been for severall years *sub pessima fama* in keeping a base and scandalous house, and allowing the same to be a common bawdiehouse by entertaining men and women together in their house at unseasonable hours, . . . and that witnesses were adduced thereupon who fully proved what was alledged against them and much more not suitable to be exprest, and that they the said magistrats had committed them to prison but had continued pronouncing sentence till this day, and in respect that the crime is so gross, desired the counsell might give their judgment what is proper to be inflicted on them, they being a scandall to the place, and the more for a terror to others; which being heard and considered be the counsell they are of the judgment that the saids David Mathy and Mary M'Crae should not only be fined in ane hundered pund Scots, but also amitt and lose their freedom in the place, and the said David Mathys burges ticket lacerat over the tolbuith stairhead, with touk of drum; and that he and his spouse be committed to prison there to lye for the space of thirty days after the dait hereof, and that on each Wednesday, for three Wednsdays successive after the dait hereof, the said Mary M'Crea be put in the pillory to be erected for that purpose in the mercat place, there to stand from eleven to twelve in the forenoon, with a paper on her brow or above her head, containing her crime; and that after they have lyen in prison for the space forsaid that they be banished furth of this city and precincts thereof, never to be seen therein under severe penalties to be inflicted at the will of the magistrats for the tyme being; and recommends to the magistrats to pass sentence against them in the above terms and to see the same duely performed and execute, and ordains the burges ticket to be lacerat Wednesday nixt over the tolbuith stairhead.

The magistrats and toun counsell, being informed that there are <sup>David Mathy and Mary M'Crae to be banished, etc.</sup> Gratis tickets.

severall traders, inhabitants in this city, who have no freedome to use the trade in this city but by virtue of gratis tickets given in complement, who are under no oath as formall and reall burgesses are, except in so far as they have accepted of that gratis ticket and make use thereof, and lykewise that some of these who pretend to have gratis tickets are not the same persons so designd therein, whereby the touns liberties is imposd upon; therefor impowers the dean of gild and bretheren to call before their court such of the inhabitants, present or to cum, who live and trade in this city by virtue of such gratis tickets and have no other right, and inspect their tickets and examine and take cogniton if they be the same persons that are so designed therein, and if found otherways to fyne and amerciat the users of such tickets and discharge them from further tradeing, and whom of them they find to be the same persons that are so designed in these gratis tickets to administrat the burges oath to them and mark in their court book that such a person hes taken the burges oath in obedience to this act but to give no extract thereof.

Correction  
house yeard  
rouped.

Approves of the roup of the Correction House yeard, for a tack to be set therof for the space of eleven years after Candlemas, 1717, free at the end of the first five years, quhich was accordingly rouppe, upon the first day of February instant, to Andrew Messon, gardiner, for fifty one pund Scots of yearly rent.

5 March 1717.

Warrant,  
patronage of  
kirk of Port-  
glasgow.

Ordains John Armour, late tresaurer, to have allowance in his own hand of six hundered merks, Scots, payd out by him to the earle of Glencairn for renuncing and overgiving to and in favours of the toun all right or interest he hes to the right of patronage of the paroch kirk of Portglasgow or presentation of a minister thereto, with the haill emoluments, profits or duties of the same, and corroborating of the decreet obtained at the touns instance against him before the lords of counsell and session for the touns presenting ane minister to the paroch in all tyme thereftir, conform to the disposition granted be the said earle to the toun theranent, daited the 21 January last by past.



Ordains Francis Hopkirk, tresaurer, to pay to Robert Wilson, son <sup>Warrant for Robert Wilson.</sup> to (*blank*) Wilson, weiver, who was one of the touns voluntiers, that went to Stirling at the late rebellion and lost his eye there by ane accident, eightein pound, Scots money, to help to defray the charges for the mending his eye.

The magistrats and toun councill statuts and ordains that in all <sup>Meetings of committies.</sup> committies to be made by the councill upon the touns affairs, or what shall come before them, that the day and tyme of their first meeting be condescendit upon in the act, with power to them to adjourn thereafter as they shall see cause, and to report to the nixt councill what they have done in the affair committed to them.

Appoynts the grass of the New Green, for this ensueing season, to <sup>The New Green to be roupd and the dycks to be repaired.</sup> be roupd on the 15th instant; and in respect there is a part of the Green dyck falling and wanting capestone and in some parts thereof broken down, empower the dean of gild to cause repair and mend the said dyck and make it fencible where it hes failed or in failling before the opening of the Green for the ensueing season, and ordains the master of work to overse the said work.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the presbitrie of <sup>Ordination of Mr. John Anderson at Portglasgow.</sup> Pasley are to ordain Mr. John Anderson, preacher of the gospell, minister at Portglasgow, on the last Wednesday of March instant, therefor the magistrats and councill appoynts the provost, John Stirling, baillie, the dean of gild and deacon conveener, or any two of them, in name of the councill, to attend and be present at the said ordination.

There was a petition given in be Robert Luke and William Harvy, <sup>Committie on Robert Luke and William Harvys petition against the weivers.</sup> merchants, representing that severall years ago they had erected and set up a manufactory in this city for working of tapes, knittings, laces, belts, bindings, &c., and have continued ever since their first upsetting in the free exerceise thereof, without any stop or lett, till of late the corporation of weivers threaten to stop them, pretending that their work is ane encroatchment on their priviledges and liberties quhich they have by their charter; as also the corporation of weivers gave in a representation containing answers to the said representation and founding upon their charter, both which were read in councill, the magistrats and councill appoynts the magistrats, dean of gild, deacon conveener [and others], as

a committie to consider on the said petition and answers thereto, and call both parties before them and hear them thereupon, and to report their judgment therein to the councill; and appoynts their first meeting to be upon the 14th instant at four afternoon, with power to the committie to adjourn themselves from tyme to tyme as they see cause.

12 April 1717.

Report of the  
committie  
about petition  
against the  
weivers.

The magistrats and others of the committie appoynted by a former act, daited the 5th day of March last, for considering the petition of Robert Luke and his partner against the weivers, reported that the differences being in relation to what concerns a corporation it was more native that the said Robert Luke should first have applyd to the conveners house and laid the matter before them and had their thoughts therein, and then if parties had not acquiesced thereinto apply to the councill, and therefor it was their opinion that the councill should not proceed in that affair till first the parties concerned laid the same before the Trades house and have their judgment therein; quhich being considered be the magistrats and councill they approved and hereby approve of the said reporters opinion.

Warrant for  
Alexander  
Finlayson,  
sealls.

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, tresaurer, to pay to Alexander Finlayson, toun clerk, [£149 18 s.] Scots money, quherof [£96] Scots payd out by him for three new sealls to the toun, and [£36 12 s.] Scots for a screw press thereto, and the remainder for postage of letters and other charges depursed by him on the touns accompt.

Warrant for  
Mr. George  
Glen.

Ordains Robert Scot, master of work, to pay to Mr. George Glen, sometyme master of the Gramar Schooll, four pund Scots, monethly, and to commence frae the first of Aprill instant, in respect of his great poverty and want, being a needy object, and thir presents to continue during the magistrats and councill pleasure.

Kelly, burges  
and gild.

Ordains the dean of gild and bretheren to admit Mr. Simon Kelly, minister of the gospell at Glenholme, burges and gild brother, as eldest lawfull son to the deceist John Kelly, tayleor, burges and gild brother, and remit his fynes and hold them as payed, at the desire of the magistrats.

Committie on  
Mr. Mews  
petition.

The magistrats and toun councill appoynts the magistrats [and others]

to consider the petition given in be Thomas Mew, writing master, and teacher of arithmetick and book keeping, craving his sallary to be augmented for the better enabling him to continue his residence here and serve the place in that station, in respect that what sallary he hes from the toun and the incouragement he hes otherways is inconsiderable for the subsistance of his family, which hes increased since he came to settle here. . . . As also to consider upon the petition and accountt<sup>John Millers account.</sup> given in be John Miller, maltman, of some charge and expenssis he was at on the funerall of Walter Therms, one of the touns voluntiers that went to Stirling the tyme of the late rebellion, and who died there of his wounds quhich he received from one of the military;<sup>1</sup> and report their judgment in these matters to the councill; and appoynts their first meeting to be on Thursday nixt, the sixteint instant, with power to them to prorogue their meeting as they see cause.

21 May 1717.

The magistrats and others of the committie appoynted by a former Act in favours of Mr. Mew. act, daited the 12 Aprill last [anent the petition of Thomas Mew], reported that if the said Mr. Mew should remove out of the place for want of encouragement it would be a loss to the toun and hard to get another as expert as he is to serve in that station, that therfor it is their opinion, for a furdur encouragement to continue his residence here and serve the toun in the station forsaid, that the councill should augment his sallary, and in place of fitein pund, starline, formerly payed to him yearly to make the same twenty pund, sterling money, and to commence from the terme of Whytsunday last and to continue during the magistrats and councills pleasure. Quhich report abovewritten being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill they approved and hereby approves therof and [resolved accordingly].

The magistrats represented that upon the news of the design of ane Warrant for invasion upon the kingdom by Sweden, they wrote to Mr. James Hillhouse, Peter Murdoch, powder. merchant in Bristoll, to buy ten hundered weight of powder for the service of the toun, and to send the same by the first vessell bound for Port-

<sup>1</sup> On 21st May the magistrates and council, payment of this account, amounting to as recommended by the committee, authorised £16 16s. Scots.

glasgow or Greinok, and that they have received a return from the said James Hillhouse, with a bill of loading bearing that he had shipt upon the ship John of Renfrew, Daniel M'Cun, master, bound for Portglasgow, twenty half barrells of powder for the magistrats accountt, together with the accountt of the said powder . . . extending the said accountt to thirty eight pound eleven pence, starline, for which soume he had drawn bill on them payable to Peter Murdoch, merchant, late baillie, or order, at the house of Mr. William Fead, merchant in London, thirty days after dait quhich was on the fourt of May instant. [The magistrates and council approved, and authorised the treasurer to meet the bill.]

Inchbelly  
bridge.

Ordains James Hopkirk, tresaurer, to pay to James Graham of Killmannan, who hes ingaged to build Inchbelly bridge, quhich hes bein for some tyme bygone down, ten pund, starline, to help to defray the charges in building therof, and that whenever the said bridge shall be buildit and the work finished and the bridge and way on both ends therof paved.

Kirken-  
talloch bridge  
to be  
cassayed.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the toun was at considerable charge some years ago in helping to build Kirkentalloch bridge, and that it is necessary the same be cassayed and the ledges heightened with jests to keep in the cassie, otherways what is buildit will be in danger of falling; therefor they impower the magistrats and dean of gild to give orders for the casseying of the said bridge and heighting of the ledges with jests as said is, upon the touns charges, providing the baillies and inhabitants in Kirkentalloch cause lead the stones and sand to the work; and recomends to the magistrats to acquaint the baillies of Kirkentalloch theirow.

The Gorballs  
to be  
cassayed.

The magistrats represented that they and severalls of the councill, whom they called, in compliyanse with a recomendation to them by the right honourable Mr. James Hamilton of Pencaithland and Mr. David Erskine of Dun, two of his Majesties justiciary, mett in circuit here the tent instant, and by the right honourable Sir John Maxwell of Pollok, one of the lords of councill and session, who are all justices of the peace, to contribut towards the repairing and paving the cassay and highway throw the village of Gorballs; and in respect that the fewars and inhabitants of Gorballs had on their part proposed to cause lead the sand and

stones necessary for the cassey, and to submit to three justices of the peace to be mutually chosen what furdur burden they should bear in laying and repairing the said cassay; and that they had furdur, by George Swan, in presence of Thomas Hamilton, Gabriel M'Crocket and James Logan, as commissioned from them, undertaken and promised to the saids three lords to come back to the touns milnes and not to withdraw nor abstract therefrom; therefor and upon these considerations the magistrats and these of the councill whom they had called to consider thereupon appoynted and ordained the said cassay to be laid and that how soon as the stones, earth and sand shall be led down quhich may be necessary for paveing therof; and granted warrand to furnish at the craig what stones may be necessary for the said cassay; and quhich appoyntment they reported to the saids three lords; quhich recomendation, with the whole procedure in the said affair, signed by the saids three lords the magistrats produced. Quhich being read in presence of, and the whole affair considered be the magistrats and councill, they approved and hereby approve theirow, and ordains the said appoyntment and recomendation to be booked in the principall councill book.

It was represented that James Bell had made incroachment on and taken in at his own hand three aikers or thereby of the touns common nixt to his own land there, and laboured and sett the same to others, to quhich he hes no ryght, nor is no part of the land there quhich was dispond by the toun to his father or him. The magistrats and councill appoynts the magistrats, dean of gild, deacon conveyener [and others], as a committie to sight and visit the said ground and the said James Bell his rights, and to report; and also to sight and visit the ground at the Provan milne belonging to the toun and alledgit to be taken in and buildit upon by the deceist John Crawford of Milnetoun, or some of his tenants, and to report.

The magistrats represented that the north west quarter session of this city being, upon the 23d of Aprill last, sessionally mett and taking the election of a minister for the said vaccancy under consideration, they did, without one contradictory vote, nominat and declare for the reverend Mr. John Anderson, minister of the gospell at Dumbarton, as their choice, of which they had acquainted the magistrats in order to lay the same

Committie on  
some in-  
croachments  
made on the  
touns  
common.

Ground at  
Provan milne.

Mr. John  
Anderson to  
be called to  
the north-  
west quarter.

before the councill for their consent and approbation; and likewise represented that the generall session of this city had mett on the second of May instant, and had that affair laid before them for their concurrence, who went cheerfully into the said nomination by a great majority; and further represented that if the councill go in to the said choice the reverend presbitrie of Glasgow most be applyed for one of their number to supervise the subscribing a call to a minister for the said vacant north west quarter. All which being heard and considered be the magistrats and toun councill, they unanimously nominat and declare for the said reverend Mr. John Anderson lykwise as their choice for being minister of the said northwest quarter; and nominats and appoynts John Stirling, baillie [and others], to joyn in concurrence with these commissioned by the members of the said northwest quarter and generall session to apply the reverend presbitrie for one of their number to supervise the subscribing of the said call and to do every thing necessar and incumbent with respect thereunto and prosecut and follow furth the same.

3 June 1717.

Warrant for  
Baillie of  
Litlegill for  
building of  
two bridgs.

Anent the petition given in be William Baillie of Litlegill mentioning that William Baillie of Litlegill, his grandfather, having many years ago, upon his own charge and expenssis, builded two bridgs, one over Clyd and another over Dunnedin, for the conveniency of passengers, carriers and others, to and from England, the parliament for his encouragement did grant him a custom to be demanded from every footman and horseman passing the saids bridgs, for a certain number of years, but the toun of Glasgow having then contributed and payed in to him five hundered merks for further enabling him to build the same, he did by a writ under his hand exeem the whole inhabitants of this city from the payment of any custom either for their person or goods in passing and repassing the saids bridgs, during all the tyme of his lease therof;<sup>1</sup> which albeit it be long since expyred and again renewed in favor of the petitioner, yet he has continued and does still continue the said exemption to this city, but now that the saids bridgs are rendered intirely unpassable for horsemen at least, by the great inundation in October, 1712, and will

<sup>1</sup> See Glasg. Rec., III., pp. 314-6.

certainly in a litle tyme become intirely ruinous, if not speedily repaired, to the great prejudice of the countrey in generall, and particularly to the city of Glasgow, who have a considerable trade to England; and the petitioners circumstances being such that he is not able to repair the saids bridges upon his own expenssis; and the soum granted by the commissioners of supply of the shire falling short of what will be necessary for the purpose forsaid, as appears by the estimat of the expenssis of the saids reparations taken by workmen appoynted to visit the saids bridges, and therefor craving the councill would grant to him such an allowance as they shall think necessary for the ends forsaid, as the said petition bears. Quhich being read in presence of and considered be the magistrats and toun councill, with ane wryt given in by severall merchants of this city and signed by them, certifying that the saids two bridges are of very great usefullness and conveniency for all traders betwixt England and Glasgow, als well for their travelling as their transporting of their goods, which, throw the saids bridges being out of repair, they have sometymes been stopped by the saids waters for severall days together, whereby they have sustained considerable losses and prejudices, the magistrats and councill ordain Francis Hopkirk, tresaurer, to pay to the said William Baillie of Litlegill ten pound, starline, for a help to defray the forsaid charge and that so soon as the saids two bridges are repaired and the work finished, and the said William Baillie grant ane wryt or bond under his hand exeeming and freeing the whole inhabitants of this city from the payment of any custom, either for their persons or goods, in passing and repassing the said bridges in all tyme coming.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that it is very necessary there be some rooms added to the tolbuith for furdur prison houses, there being but few rooms in the tolbuith appoynted for prison houses, and also considering that that large room in the tolbuith called the dean of gilds hall, above the councill room, formerly appoynted for keeping the dean of gilds court, is not now made use of, the dean of gilds court being now kept in the laigh back room in the clerks chamber, therefor they ordain and appoynt that the forsaid room called the dean of gilds hall be taken in and made use of for prisons, and two rooms or appartments to be made thereof for the purpose forsaid, and lykewise ordains and appoynts the councill house to be deiced and the windows sashed.

The dean of  
gilds hall,  
prisons, coun-  
cill house.

New milne,  
the touns  
quarry, etc.

The magistrats and toun councill, in respect the committie appoynted by a former act, daited the 2d day of February last, to inspect the case and condition of the touns new milne and houseing therof have not yet sighted and visited the same, ordains them, upon the 7th instant, to go out and to inspect and sight the said milne; as also to inspect the touns quarry and condition therof and how it is wrought; and lykewise to sight and visit the walkmilne and condition therof; and consider the petition of Thomas Craig in Partick who is building a house closs to the end of the bridge of Partick, and craving liberty to make his gavill on the ledge of the bridge; and report their judgment and thoughts in these things to the councill.

4 June 1717.

Common good  
set.

["The multures and casualities of the milnes belonging to this burgh, viz, the old milne of Partick, new milne, toun milne and Subdeans milne," 8,800 merks; "the duty and casuality of the ladles," 4,630 merks; "the duty and casuality of the meall mercat and pecks," 1,200 merks; "the duty and casuality of the trone and new weigh house and two litle shops beneath the stairs, as also the dewes of the fish mercat," 1,900 merks; "the duty and casuality of the bridge and the dewes payable for the conveniency of the key and use of the cran at Broomielaw (out of quihich are excepted all boats and goods belonging to actuall burghesses of Renfrew and Dumbartan, and all goods quihich are materials for manufacture (except as to the cran in so far as shall be made use thereof), as also excepting the eight pennies on the tun quihich formerly the burghesses and inhabitants of this burgh, bearing scott and lott, were burdened with who are now exeemed therefrae)," 1,950 merks.]

14 June 1717.

Warrant for  
provost Bowman.

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, treasurer, to pay to John Bowman, provost, fourtein pound, sterling money, for ane hodghead of wine furnished be him for his own use for this present year as use is.

Bridge over  
Towcorse  
burn Pol-  
madie bridge.

John Bowman, provost, represented that when he was at Lanerk, on the fiftein day of May last, at a generall meeting of the commissioners of supply of the shyre, the saids commissioners had the said day past ane act, the extract whereof he produced in councill, mentioning that they, taking to consideration the severall representations and complaints formerly made of the great inconveniencies to the leidges for want of a bridge over the burn near to Towcorse, betwixt Hamilton and Glasgow,



and the danger severall people hes bein in passing that way when the said burn is any ways raised by a flood, so that sometimes neither coaches, carts nor passengers can pass to Glasgow; therefor they unanimously agreed that the soume of fyve hundered merks Scots be granted by the shyre to the magistrats and toun councill of Glasgow towards the building a bridge over the said burn of Towcorse and calsyeing the same and filling up and repairing the way near to each end thereof; and also for repairing sufficiently Polmadie bridge, with the way at each end therof, upon the saids magistrats and toun councill of Glasgow their concurring in the expenss therof, in respect the said bridge lyes so near the toun of Glasgow and convenient for the trade therof. . . . And orders and appoynts the inhabitants of the adjacent paroches to be assisting to the said magistrats of Glasgow in leading of stones, lyme and other necessities for the uses of the saids bridges and ways leading thereunto. [The magistrates and council accepted the offer and undertook to carry out the works.]

The magistrats and others of the committie appoynted by a former Report, touns act, daited the third day of June instant, for sighting the touns quarrie and new milne at Partick and condition therof, reported that they had gone out and sighted both the quarrie and milne and also had sighted the walk milne. And, first, as to the quarrie they find that it is not right wrought. The earth quhich should have been casten backward and carried away is casten forward and lying in heaps quhich, if not taken away, the quarry will be stopt in all dew working and the next cast will be double work; and therefore these who have casten the earth so should be ordained to carry it away; as als finds that the water of the quarry is drained from part to part and hes not a currency to the part it should go to; and lykewise that the craig is wrought only in such parts therof where it is easiest to manage and work, which ought to be wrought regularly and no part past by; and that it is their judgment in a year or two, if some effectuall course be not taken, the craig will be in such a case as will be useless and no stones got out therof.

And as to the new milne and houseing there, they find that the kilne belonging to the milne is made a stable and the west gavill therof lyke to fall being holled in severall parts and the stones out, quhich requires

Walkmilne. poynting, and that the rooffe is unsufficient for want of thack; and that there are severall rents and gaps in the dwelling house for want of doun poynting; that the whole dam is out of order and in many parts broken and the bridge stone of the ford slouce broken; as also the pen stone of the back slouce where the water gaes out is also broken and the water running in to the inner wheell quhich will spoyll and rot the wheell. And as to the walkmilne and houseing there finds the stairhead of the walkers house failling and lyke to fall down, and the floor wholly broken, and that the milne wheell is useless being broken, and the walkmilne wheel chattered and broken, and that the lade of the walkmilne is so far out of order that the water instead of running in its ordinary place runs throw the milne among the stones and damnifies the whole milne. All which being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill they remitt to the magistrats [and others] to consider upon what is proper to be done with respect to the quarrie and milne, and lykewise to consider the petition given in be Janet Hamilton, relict of Francis Wark, craving she may be continued in the said new milne and the tack renewed in her and her sons favour, and to report.

Thomas Craig  
allowed to  
build his  
gavill upon  
the ledge of  
Partick  
bridge.

The magistrats and others of the committie reported that as they were sighting and visiting the new milne, they lykewise visited Thomas Craigs building at the end of Partick bridge and that it is their judgment the bridge will not be prejudged by the said building nor by his gavill being built upon the ledges of the bridge, and if the councill think fit they may allow him a door in his gavill to enter off the bridge provided he keep the bridge clear and sett nothing out to stop the passage; reserving allways a power to the councill to cause close up that door if they find it hereafter inconvenient to the passage of the bridge; quhich being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill, they allow the said Thomas Craig to build his gavill upon the ledges of the bridge and to make a door in the gavill to enter off the bridge, with this provision that he keep the bridge clear and nothing be sett without doors to stop the passage; and likewise reserving power to the councill to cause close up that door if they find it hereafter inconvenient to the bridge.

Report anent  
the alledgit  
incroach-  
ments made

The provost [and others] appointed by a former act, daited the twenty ane of May last, reported that they with the clerk had visited and sighted

the incroatchments complained of as alledged made by James Bell on the touns common and seen his charter upon the ground, whereby he is bounded by the westmost branch of the high road to Calder on the east, it was alledged by some persons present that they had known the road to Calder to have been bewest the lands now laboured by James Bell, albeit the road now runs be-east the said laboured land, which most be determined by a probation; which being heard and considered be the councill, they remit to the magistrats to lay the same before the dean of gild and bretheren that they may determine the marches betwixt the toun and him.

The committie forsaid reported that they had visited the milne of Provan, with the litle house on the north end therof, which was at first fitted up for the milne wright and about twenty one years ago, being ruinous, was built up by William Hog, as he declared, for a barn to himself, no person having quarrelled his doing therof, and hes bein possest by him since that tyme; and having also visited another litle house built by the said William Hog for a brewhouse about eleven years ago, and a litle piece of ground betwixt the milne burn and the milne quhich is contraverted betwixt the tenents of Provan and tenents of Milnetoun; and it was the committies opinion that it appears plain the said haill ground belongs to the Provan, lying wholly within the milne burn course, and that the litle barn and brewhouse also belongs to Provan, being built on that ground, and that William Hog ought to be pursued for the rent; and also that the marches ought to be fixed betwixt the Provan and Milnetoun, and that which seems to clear the property of the contraverted ground to belong to the lands of Provan is that the course of the miln burn above the dam being the march the dam is upon the Provan ground, and the course of the milne burn below the dam being also the march, quher the water still runs when it runs over the dam and exceeds what serves the aqueduct, and the ground betwixt the aqueduct and the course of the milne burn being very litle bounds, no more than what is absolutely necessar for a shilling hill and to allow free ish and entery to the milne, there appears no shadow of reason for the tenents of Milntoun to pretend to that ground tho living near to it and the tenents of Provan at some greater distance. As also the provost represented that since the visiting he had ordered William Hog to deliver up the keys of the forsaid barn

by James  
Bell on the  
common.

Report anent  
encroachment  
on the lands  
of Provan.

and brewhouse as being built upon the touns ground as said is, and that accordingly the said William Hog delivered up the keys to him, quhich are lying in the clerks chamber. As also represented that he was informed there were severall other incroatchments made on the Provan lands by adjacent heretors, particularly the Cashlok muir and moss, and the Easter and Wester Cunshlies, by the heretors of Shettlestoun and Sandyhill, and the Mains of Provan by the heretors of Camphlett. All quhich being heard and considered be the counceill, they remitt to the magistrats [and others] to consider what is proper to be done therin, and to apply the baillie of the regality for perambulating the ground and determining the marches betwixt the toun and the adjacent heretors; as also to call before them Mathew Dinwiddie, merchant, whose park of Jermiston, on the south east corner, comprehends and takes in a part of the touns ground, where the touns marches are yet standing, and to oblige him to inclose his park within his own bounds and leave the touns ground and march stones free without, or otherways to pay for the said ground so taken in within his park.

Burn between  
Eastercraigs  
and the touns  
lands.

Ordain the burn betwixt the touns land and the Eastercraigs to be straighted and new march stones fixed, and lykewise that the milne of Provan be repaired in sclaits being now standing in need thereof, and recomends to the magistrats to see the same done.

29 June 1717.

Govan manse. [Ordnained the treasurer to pay 50 merks as the towns fourth part of the 200 merks "falling to the share of the lands of Gorballs of additional charge and expenss besyd what furdur was laid on and payed for the building of the manse of Govane."]

Committee on  
Thomas Barrs  
petition.

Anent the petition given in be Thomas Barr, maltman, mentioning that he hes ane kilne and yaird beyond the Drygate bridge, near to the highway there, leading to Carntyne, betwixt which highway and his said yeard there is a piece of ground angling from his yeard dyck that by digging of clay out theirow there are great deep holls made, whereby his yeard dyck is undermined and shooting, and therefor craving, for the safety of his yeard dyck, liberty and allowance to take in the said brae nixt to the highway, as in the petition at more lenth bears; which being

read in presence of the magistrats and toun councill they remitt the consideration therof to the magistrats, dean of gild, deacon conveener, or any others of the councill whom they shall please to call, and to sight and visit the said ground, and to report.

18 *July* 1717.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscribed a call to the reverend Mr. John Anderson, minister of the gospell at Dumbarton, to be minister of the north west quarter of this city. Call to Mr. John Anderson.

20 *August* 1717.

The magistrats and toun councill rescinds a former act, daited the 27 February 1713, in favours of William Thomson, tayleor, for being overseer of the graves and buriall places in the Hie churchyard, and do hereby nominat and appoynt Archibald Anderson, merchant, in his place and stead, to have the overseeing of making of the graves and buriall places, and to imploy what servants he pleases for doing the same; with power to him to receive the ordinary allowance and dewes therefor as others of the grave makers got formerly; and his entery thereto to commence the morrow; and to continue during the magistrats and counccills pleasure; and appoynts him to give account of the names and buried dead weekly to John Kirk, keeper of the records of the dead; and recomends to the magistrats, dean of gild and deacon conveener, and any others of the councill whom they shall call, to regulat and determine what part of the dewes the servants under the said Archibald Anderson should have for their service. Overseer of the graves in Hie church-yard.

Charles Miller, late baillie, represented that when the touns regiment of voluntiers went to Stirling to joyn his Majesties forces, the tyme of the rebellion, there were severalls of the inhabitants who went wanted fire arms, and being then informed there were some fire arms fit for service in the dwelling house of Robert M'Lellan of Barkly, collector of excise in this city, now deceist, he the said Charles Miller, with some others of the inhabitants, went to the said Robert M'Lellan's lodging, who was not at home at the time, and got from the servant twelve guns and thirtein shables, and gave his receipt and obligation to return them Charles Miller to be freed of some arms.

to the said Robert M'Lellan; quhich guns and shables were delivered by the then magistrats to these of the inhabitants who went to Stirling and wanted arms, and that his receipt and obligation is yet lying upon his head, it is but just and reasonable, seeing the saids arms were made use of for the service of the toun and government, that he should be freed and relieved of them and of his receipt and obligation granted therefor. Which being heard and considered be the magistrats and councill, they enact and oblige them and their successors in office to free and relieve the said Charles Miller of the saids twelve guns and thirtein shables, and of his receipt and obligation granted therefor, at the hands of the aires and representatives of the said deceist Robert M'Lellan, or any others pretending right and interest to the said arms, and of all damage he can sustain thereby any manner of way.

Milner at the  
new milne.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that the touns new milne on Kelvin does at the tyme want a settled milner, and that there are severall years tack duty of the said milne resting not only by the deceist Francis Wark, last milner therof, before his decease, but also by his relict who hes continued in the possession since her husbands deceise, and that not only she but some others are seeking to be preferred to have the benefit of the said milne and a tack therof made to them, and have made proposalls and offers in reference thereunto, the magistrats and councill nominat and appoynt the magistrats [and others] to consider thereupon or any other proposalls or offer that may be made for the touns security and settling of a milner in the said milne, and to report.

21 September 1717.

Ane act of the  
royall bur-  
rows to be re-  
corded.

The provost produced in councill ane act of the royall burrows past in their generall convention in Jully last, whereby in pursuance of severall acts of parliament anent the priviledge of burrows, the convention statut and ordain that no person whatsoever, as well free as unfree, shall have the benefit of tradeing or merchandizeing within any of the royall burrows unless he reside with his family therein at least eight moneths of the year and bear a part of the stents, taxations, watchings and wardings and other burdens with the rest of the inhabitants, in manner and under the certifications at lenth mentioned in the said act; and appoynts coppies

therof to be transmitted to the severall royall burrows to be recorded in their books and publick intimation therof to be made in their respective burghs; quhich being read in presence of the magistrats and councill they, according thereunto, ordain the same to be booked in the principall councill book and publick intimation to be made thereof, and which act the tenor follows:—[the act is here inserted<sup>1</sup>].

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, treasurer, to pay to Robert Robertson, Warrant, merchant, fitein pund sterling as the pryce of the picture of his Majestie <sup>picture of</sup> King George now put up in the councill house.

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, treasurer, to pay to Mr. William Stirling, Warrant for chyrurgeon, [£68 4 s.] Scots, for cureing of poor inhabitants, viz., for <sup>Mr. William</sup> cureing of John Dunlop, ferrier, of a burnt hand quhich he got at the late fire in the Saltmercat; and for cureing of a gangren in the cheek of one Margret M'Callum; and for cureing of a poor woman who had the convulsion fitts and fell into the fire and burnt in her head, neck, shoulders and back; and for drugs and other mendicaments to them.

The magistrats and toun councill remitts to the councill or major part of them as a committie, except these of the councill who are incor- <sup>The malt-</sup> porat with the maltmen, to consider the petition given in by the visitor <sup>mens peti-</sup> and collector of the maltmen in name of the said corporation, craving the <sup>tion.</sup> councill would ratifie and approve of ane act past by the said corporation whereby, for the good of their poor, they, upon the 19 August, 1715, did enact that in all tyme thereftir each person entering freeman with them and buying it at the far hand should pay for their freedom fyne and entery two hundered merks, and each person entering freeman with them, being a burges son or son in law, which before the said act payd ane hundered merks, should thereafter pay ane hundered pund, Scots, for their admission and entery, in maner specifeit in the said petition, and to report.

The magistrats represented that Daniel Campbell of Shawfield, <sup>Gratification</sup> member of parliament for this district, had done severall good offices <sup>to Shawfield.</sup> and services to the toun in applying for and obtaining ane act of parliament renewing the act of the 2 d. on the pynt in favours of the toun, for sixteen years longer after the present gift expyres, and ane

<sup>1</sup> Printed in Convention Rec., V., pp. 169-70.

other act for the touns payment of the expenss quhich they were at in the maintainance of the rebell prisoners quhich were brought here the tyme of the rebellion, and lykewise had done very good services and offices for the merchantts; it is but reasonable he be gratified and acknowledged for these services. Which being heard by the counsell they remit to the magistrats [and others] as a comittie to consider upon a suitable gratification and acknowledgment to be given him for his said services, and to report their judgment therein to the counsell.

New milne.

[Having considered report by the committee formerly appointed, the magistrats and council] find it not proper nor convenient that a woman should be settled in the milnership, who without dependance on servants cannot have that imediat inspection and oversight over the milne and knowledge therof as is requyred of a milner, quhich hes bein the occasion of complaint; [and they appointed Walter Leitch, maltman] to be milner of the said new milne and his entery to be at Martimess nixt, and a tack therof to be drawn up to him for the space of thirtein years, commencing from the said terme, upon this provision and condition always that before his entery he pay in to the toun three hundered merks of grassum [and find security for payment of 100 merks, yearly, of tack duty, and for keeping the mill and houses in good condition and to "serve honestly and keep sufficient and honest servants and sufficient horses for carrying of the malt"].<sup>1</sup>

Warrant,  
James Smith,  
late tres-  
aurer.

Ordains James Smith, late tresaurer, to have allowance in his own hand of the sum of fourty nyne pund sixpence sterling money payd out by him towards the maintainance of the toun of Glasgows regiment when at Stirling the tyme of the rebellion, the subscription money by the inhabitants for their pay having fallen so far short, which is beayd [£277 7 s. 6 d.], Scots, payd out by John Armour, the preceeding tresaurer, for that end, and contained in ane article of his discharge.

27 September 1717.

Act regula-  
ting the touns  
spending in  
taverns.

The magistrats and toun counsell considering that by ane act daited the 13 October 1683 it is enacted, statute and ordained that no person should ryde in convoying any person either from or to the toun, nor

<sup>1</sup> The act was subscribed by the magistrates and council on 23rd December, 1717.



spend any money in taverns or other wayes without ane order from the provost, or in his absence from the eldest baillie present and dean of gild, otherwayes the same was to be upon their own expenssis and the toun not to pay the same;<sup>1</sup> and considering that the said act is not duely observed, and that for some years bygone the touns expenssis in taverns is highly increased, do therefor statut and ordain that in tyme coming no manner of person upon any accountt whatsoever shall spend any money in taverns wherewith the toun may be burdened or charged unless the same be spent by or in presence of the provost or one of the baillies, and that no accountt from any tavern shall be revised by the dean of gild, or brought into the counsell, or warrand granted for payment thereof unless every article of the said accountt be duely instructed by a note or subscription of the provost or one of the baillies in whose presence the same was spent; quhich instructions are to be produced with the accountt to the counsell; and that at allowing of these accountts the provost and baillies if required shall satisfie the counsell anent the occasion of the said spending. And statuts and ordains that at the treating of strangers the provost if in toun and in health shall allways be present, or in case of his absence or indisposition the eldest baillie in toun and in health; and that when the provost is in toun and in health no baillie, or when the provost is absent or undisposed no other baillie then the eldest in toun and in health shall spend with any person at one tyme upon any account quhatsoever above three pund Scots; with certification no articles of accountt spent in ane other manner is to be allowed, but that the toun is to be free of payment therof, and appoynts this act to be openly read in counsell annually in all tyme coming at the second sederunt of the toun counsell after the election of the magistrats.

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, treasurer, to pay to George Muir, messon, Warrand for  
 [£96 6s. 8d.], Scots money, quherof [£72] for his and servants wages in George Muir.  
 working at mending and repairing the great bridge over Clyde, and the  
 remainder for work in the tolbuith in altering the counsell house brace  
 and drawing up braces in the dean of gilds court hall, now made in  
 rooms for prisons.

<sup>1</sup> Glasg. Rec., III., p. 342.

Warrant for  
James Calder.

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, tresaurer, to pay to James Calder, chyrurgeon, twenty four pund, Scots money, in full of what he can demand from George Govan and Mathew Urie, coupers, for cureing them of some bruises and wounds quhich they received in their heads at the castle guard in May, 1716, when they went up with their company to take up guard upon the rebell prisoners and were opposed by the town-head company.

Tack of sub-  
deans milne.

The magistrats and others of the committie appoynted by a former act, daited the 24 September instant, for considering the petition given in be John Campbell, younger, maltman, craving that he may have the benefit of the milnership of the Subdeans milne in place of James Campbell, elder, his father, who is now in age, and is willing to become bound for payment to his father of such an allowance as the counsell should think fitt, reported that the said James Campbell, elder, having continued in the milnership many years bygone, and served honestly and faithfully without any complaint, but now that he is superannuat and not able to follow the exercise of that office as formerly, and that his said son is capable to exercise that office, and that it is their judgment, upon the said John Campbell, younger, his finding sufficient security to the satisfaction of the magistrats and counsell, against Martimes nixt, to repair, keep up, maintain and uphold in a good and sufficient condition the said milne, axiltree, wheells, trowes, milne stone and milne dam, lade, and other pertinents of the milne, during his possession, and leave the same in a good and sufficient condition, and serve faithfully and dilligently as milner of the said milne with men and horses as use is and in all things as becomes a faithfull and dilligent milner, and lykewise make payment to James Campbell, elder, his father, of one hunderd merks yearly, during his lyfetye [payable quarterly], and that upon these conditions a tack be granted to him of the said milnership for ninetein years, and his entery to be at Martimes nixt; with this provision that in case he failyie in any part of the above conditions to be performed by him that he lose the benefit of the tack and have no further interest in the milne. Quhich report abovewriten being heard and considered be the counsell they approved and hereby approves therof and ordains the Clerk to draw up the tack in the terms above-

written to the said John Campbell, younger, he finding sufficient security as said is.

Ordains the dean of gild and bretheren to admit James Clerk, weiver, Clark, burges. burges of this burgh, as lawfull son to James Clerk, merchant, burges therof, and remit his fynes and hold them as payed, he being one of the touns voluntiers that went to Stirling the tyme of the rebellion.

1 October 1717.

[John Aird, provost; Robert Alexander and Robert Robertson, of the Election of merchants rank, and John Armour, of the crafts rank, bailies.] provost and bailies.

4 October 1717.

[The magistrates of this and the two preceding years, with persons chosen to Councillors supply vacancies, elected thirteen merchants and twelve craftsmen to be councillors chosen for the ensuing year.]

9 October 1717.

[Thomas Thomson, dean of guild; Mathew Gilmor, deacon convener; John Dean of guild, Orr, treasurer; Francis Hopkirk, bailie of Gorbals; Patrick Walker, water bailie; etc. Robert Scott, master of work; Archibald Cameron, visitor of maltmen; William Hattrig, visitor of gardeners; Thomas Orr, procurator fiscal.]

Robert Scot, master of work, represented that by a former act, daited Money for the eleventh day of Agust, 1716, he was ordered to take accountt of the powder, old touns powder then upon hand and to make sale therof, in respect the iron and spades. toun had not then any occasion for the same, and that accordingly he had sold the same to the persons following . . . extending the pryce of the said powder to [£755] Scots, quhich is besyd the thowsand weight of powder lately sent for by the toun from Bristoll, quhich is lying yet undisposed of; quhich soume forsaid for the said powder he had delivered to Francis Hopkirk, late thesaurer. As also represented that he had sold of the touns old iron fourty five stone cled iron at three shillings sterling the stone, extending to [£81 9 s.], Scots, to William Telfert, hamerman; and sixteen of the touns spades quhich were bought the tyme of the rebellion for the ditching, which he sold to Thomas Hamilton, maltman, at twenty shilling the piece; the pryce of which old iron and spadis is to be received by the said Francis Hopkirk from the saids William Telfert and Thomas Hamilton.

Money for the  
coall of Gor-  
balls.

Ordains Francis Hopkirk, late tresaurer, to charge himself in his treasurer accountt with the soume of [£52 16 s. 3 d.] Scots, received by him from the tacksmen of the coall in Muir of Gorballs, as the touns fourt part of the lordship for the said coall, being six pennies for each load taken out therof, conform to the tack from the 29 November, 1716, to the 29 Agust, 1717, which is besyde [£258 4 s.] quhich he received preceeding that tyme.

12 October 1717.

Bread, tallow,  
candle.

[Wheat being now at £11 the boll, the 12 d. loaf to weigh 10 oz. 3 drops; rough tallow to be sold for 53 s. Scots the stone, and candle 56 s. Scots the stone.]

Tack of sub-  
deans milne  
subscrivit.

The magistrats and toun councill have subscrivit ane tack in favours of John Campbell, younger, maltman, of the milnership of that milne belonging to the toun called the Subdeans Milne, for ninetein years, and his entery to be at Martimess nixt; quhich tack contains the provisions and conditions mentioned in a former act, daited the 27th of September last for granting the said tack, for the performance of which conditions and provisions Coline Campbell of Blythswood is bound as cautioner by the said tack.

All dunghills  
or middens on  
the streets  
discharged.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering the many and great abuses committed by the inhabitants of this city in gathering, making and keeping of dung middens and dunghills upon the sydes of the publick streets and lanes theirow, and sufering the same to lye thereupon, and the frequent complaints made to them on that accompt, do therefor, for redressing the said abuse and preventing such complaints, strictly prohibit and discharge the laying down of any dung or foulzie upon the sydes of any of the publick streets or lanes within the ports of this city, and the making and keeping of any middens and dunghills thereupon, with certification if any dung shall be so laid down, or any midden or dunghill shall be kept or sufered to lye theirown above the space of fourty eight hours, ilk person who laid down the said dung or gathered the said midden or dunghill shall not only be lyable to pay five pund Scots for each transgression, quhich shall be exacted without defalcation, but also shall forfeit, ammitt and lose the said dung; and the magistrats and councill notifie to all concerned that they have appoynted carts to carry

off all dung, middens and dunghills quhich shall be sufered to lye and be found upon the streets above the space of fourty eight hours, and strictly prohibits and discharges all manner of persons to stop, hinder or molest the carrying away thereof, under the penalty of fyve pund Scots to be exacted from each transgressor *toties quoties*, by and attour sumar imprisonment for the space of fourty eight hours; and lykewise prohibit and discharge the throwing or casting out of houses or windows upon the streets, lanes or closses any jawings, filth or dirt, and also command and requyre these who have right to the foulzie in the closses to cause cleanse the streets opposit to the closs and foreland thereof, once in the week, under the penalty forsaid; and recomends to the magistrats to cause make public intimation hereof throw this city with touk of drum.

The magistrats and toun councill enact, statute and ordain that in tyme coming the master of work pay no money to any poor person, or any other quhatsomever, except by order of the magistrats and by a warrand subscryvit by one or more of them, and no verbal order to the master of work, or to any surgeon, or apothecary for cureing, or furnishing of drugs to any poor person or others quhatsomever shall be sustained as ane instruction of any article of accompt, and that no allowance shall be given of any articles of accompt unless the same be verified and instructed by a subscryvit warrand to be produced at revising and allowing the accompts; and statute and ordain that all orders and warrands for allowance to the poor be recorded in a book to lye in the clerks chamber for preventing any abuse of too frequent applications, or of poor persons applying to one magistrate after they have got allowance from another. And that no magistrat shall grant a warrand to any surgeon or apothecary for cureing or furnishing any drugs to any poor where the expenss shall exceed six pund Scots, without consent of the councill had and obtained thereto. And also statut, enact and declare that no magistrat or dean of gild hath or shall have power or authority to undertake or order the performing of any publick work or service, or to grant warrand for payment of any sums where the value and extent therof does or shall exceed fourty pund, Scots, without the previous advyce and consent of the toun councill had and obtained thereto; and that the master of work shall undertake or order the performing of no work or

Orders for the  
poor and  
public work.

service where the expenss may exceed ten pund Scots, without a written warrand or order from the magistrats, dean of gild or toun councill; and strictly prohibit and discharge the allowing of any articles of any accompt quhich shall be otherwayes stated or instructed then in the manner above prescribed. And appoints this act to be openly read in councill annually in tyme coming, the second sederunt of the toun councill after the election of the magistrats.

23 December 1717.

The touns  
charge the  
tyme of the  
rebellion to  
be laid before  
the two  
houses.

The magistrats and toun councill, considering that by the act of parliament for the touns imposition of 2 d. on the pynt of ale, daited the 21 September 1705 years, the magistrats and councill are thereby obligt to instruct to the two houses of merchants and trades their payment of the touns debts recorded in the saids two houses their books, viz., of ten thowsand merks yearly the first five years of the said act, twelve thowsand merks yearly the nixt five years, and fourtein thowsand merks yearly the succeeding years, and that accordingly for the years bygone they have instructed the saids payments a great dale more; and considering that by occasion of the late rebellion in the year 1715 the town was put to great charge and expenss for the service of the government, in preservation of the city, to the extent of [£19,987 12 s. 4 d.] Scots, which the toun was obligt to contract as a further debt upon the toun, as appears by ane abstract of the expenss taken of the councills books, for quhich acts of councill were past for the payment, which is besyde what was paid by the inhabitants for the subsistence of the touns voluntiers that went to Stirling; and seeing that the touns debts are all recorded in the saids two houses of merchants and trades their books it is but reasonable that the forsaid accompt of charge and expenss quhich the toun was put to the tyme of the rebellion, extending as said is, be lykewise recorded in their books, as a debt quhich the toun was obligt to contract, therefor the magistrats and toun councill recommend to the dean of gild and deacon conveener to lay the same before their two houses at their nixt meeting and desire the said abstract of the said charge and expenss to be booked and recorded in their books to the effect forsaid, and to report; and ordains the said abstract to be subjoynd hereunto and to be booked in the principall councill book.

ABSTRACT of the toun of Glasgows extraordinary charge the time of the late rebellion, as the same is recorded in the councill books, quhich is besyde what was paid by the inhabitants for the subsistence of the touns 600 voluntiers that went to Stirling.

	£	s.	d.
By 10,245 : 7 : 4 contained in a particular accompt approven by a committie of the councill and recorded in the councill book, 16 February 1716, being expenss for expresses, carting souldiers baggage to Stirling, leading of stones for the baracads and passes, money to the workers at the trenches, gardiners, messons and carters and workers at Kirkentalloch bridge, daills and workmanship at the Castle prison, cartage of the touns voluntiers bagage to Stirling, drumers, coalls to the many guards, powder, drums, makeing of carriages to the cannon, bayonets, timber and daills to the barracads and workmanship and ironwork thereto, and other work mentioned in the said particular accompt, deducing therefrae 1,640 : 14 : 2 as a part of the expenss paid for the maintainance of the rebell prisoners and 299 : 3 : 0 for straw to them and servants wages that attended them, so there remains, ...	8,305	10	2
By 3,769 : 15 : 0 by another accompt revised by the said committie and bookd in the councill book for the causse forsaide, deduceing therfrae 2231 : 19 : 4 as a furdur part of the expenss paid for the maintainance of the rebell prisoners and 174 : 12 : 0 for straw to them and servants wages that attended them, so there remains, ...	1,363	3	8
By 50 merks allowed to John Gray, tacksman of the New Green, for damage to the Green sustained by rendezvouzing, per act of counoill, ...	33	6	8
By 212 : 2 : 0 to Robert Dicky, for timber and workmans wages at Kirkentalloch bridge, payd out by him per act 19 June 1716, quhich is besyde what was paid by the messons, ...	212	2	0
By 60 lb. to Robert Russell for his service the tyme of the rebellion in overseeing and attending the cannon, &c., as per act Agust 11th 1716, ...	60	0	0
By 40 lb. to Hugh Ronald, gardiner, for service at the ditches, per act Agust 11th 1716, ...	40	0	0
By 129 lb. 12 s. allowd to the tacksmen of the weigh house for loss they sustained by having the weigh house, cellars and girnells taken up by the militarys baggage, per act 11 Agust 1716, ...	129	12	0
By 20 lb. allowed to Robert Dreghorn for stones quhich were			

	£	s.	d.
lying in his yeard and taken to build up the pass there, per act 11th August 1716, ... ..	20	0	0
By 120 lb. to Patrick Mitchell for his horse quhich was lost in the service and never returned, per act 11 August 1716, ...	120	0	0
By 118 lb. to John Gordon for a chest of drugs and bandages to the touns voluntiers that went to Stirling, per act September 29th 1716, ... ..	118	0	0
By 57 lb. sterling payd by the toun to the carters that went to carry the artillery to the north, quhich was resting to them by the government, per act October 6th 1716, ...	684	0	0
By 16 lb. 6 s. payd by the toun for the funeral of Walter Therms who died at Stirling of his wounds, per act May 21st 1717, ... ..	16	16	0
By 40 merks of funder charge to David Main for a room in his house for keeping a piquet guard and for coall and candle, per act, ... ..	26	13	4
By 277 lb. 6 s. payd by John Armor, late tresaurer, for sub- sistence of the touns voluntiers at Stirling, the subscription money having fallen short, ... ..	277	7	6
By 588 lb. 6 s. payd by James Smith, tresaurer, upon the same accompt, per act 20 August 1717, ... ..	588	6	0
By 736 : 13 : 5 sterling for the maintainance of the rebell prisoners, and for strae and servants wages that attended them, quhich tho allowed by the government is not yet payed, ... ..	8,840	1	0
	20,834	8	4
To be deduced from this accompt quhich John Armor receivd of the touns powder, ... 91 : 16 : 0			
And to be deduced for powder quhich Francis Hopkirk, tresaurer, received, ... 755 : 0 : 0			
	846	16	0
	19,987	12	4

James Nisbit,  
overseer of the  
High Church.

The magistrats and toun councill do hereby appoynt James Nisbit, glazier, burges of this burgh, to repair, mend and put the haill glass windows of the High Church in a good and suficient case and condition in glass and all other necessarys, and to maintain, keep and uphold the haill glass windows in a good and suficient manner dureing his continueing in the said service and trust by virtue therof; during quhich tyme also the said James Nisbit is hereby appoynted to take carefull notice and



oversight of the haill fabrick of the said High Church and leads of the same, and that nothing therof go wrong nor abuse be done thereto or to the kirk yeard of the same; for the doing and faithfull and carefull performance whereof the said James is to have yearly paid [to him by] the toun thesaurer the sum of two hundered merks Scots money for the repairing and upholding of the said glass windows as said is and for his said care and oversight, and that by and attour the expenss of what other work shall be found necessary for repairing and upholding of the remanent fabrick of the said kirk besydes the saids glass windows.

The magistrats and toun councill appoynts John Maxwell, glazier, <sup>Overseer of the glass in the new church, New and Tron Church, etc.</sup> to be overseer and furnisher in mending of the glass in the new church, Trone Church, meeting house and tolbuith of this burgh, from tyme to tyme as it stands in need to be mended, and his entery to commence upon the first day of March nixt, and to continue only during the magistrats and councills pleasure; and rescinds the former act in favours of James Nisbit, glazier, daited the 2d July 1715, to the effect forsaid, from taking any longer place, from and after the said first day of March nixt, in respect the said James Nisbit is appoynted by ane act of the dait hereof overseer of the glass of the Hie Kirk.



## **APPENDIX.**



# APPENDIX.

## I.

### ACCOUNT OF THE BURGH OF GLASGOW, 1713-4.<sup>1</sup>

JOHN WHYTHILL, debtor to the Toun of Glasgow for his intronissions as treasurer, frae Michaelmess, 1713, to Michaelmess, 1714.

Imprimis, to the ballance of John Craigs, treasurer, accompt as per act of councill daited 26 Agust, 1715, ... ..	£	s.	d.
To 2d. terms payment of the multures, roup 1713, from George Allan, ... ..	2,800	0	0
To 2d. terms payment of the ladles, roup 1713, from Richard Cwllie and partners, ... ..	1,133	6	8
To 2d. terms payment of meall mercat, roup 1713, from Richard Cwllie, ... ..	316	13	4
To 2d. terms payment of trone and fishmercat, roup 1713, from Alexander Wotherspoon, ... ..	553	6	8
To 2d. terms payment of the bridge and cran, roup 1713, from John Wallace, ... ..	600	0	0
To first terms payment of the multures, roup 1714, from George Allan, ... ..	2,883	6	8
To first terms payment of the ladles, roup 1714, from George Buchanan and partners, ... ..	1,400	0	0
To first terms payment of the meal mercat, roup 1714, from Richard Cwllie, ... ..	320	0	0
To first terms payment of the trone and fishmercat, roup 1714, from James Thomson, ... ..	603	6	8
To first terms payment of the bridge and cran, roup 1714, from Alexander Wothirspoon, ... ..	560	0	0
To the rent of the New Green, roup 1714, from William Alexander, ... ..	1,466	13	4

<sup>1</sup> The Treasurer's Accounts vary little in form from year to year, except in entries referring to payments for special purposes; and as the Minutes authorising such expenditure, when sufficiently interesting, have

usually been printed in the foregoing Extracts, it has not been thought necessary to reproduce more than one of the Accounts as a specimen.

	£	s.	d.
To rent of Port Glasgow frae Whytsunday 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, frae Mathew Crawford, ... ..	1,433	6	8
To rent of Petershill, cropt 1713, frae James Miller, ... ..	170	0	0
To rent of Provan, cropt 1713, frae Mungo Cochran, ... ..	3,466	13	4
To the touns part of the Gorball rent from Robert Buchanan and partners, cropt 1713, ... ..	687	15	0
To rent of the Gorball lodging from Whytsunday 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, ... ..	160	0	0
To rent of the Gorball orchyard frae Candlemess 1713 to do. 1714 from George Lowden, ... ..	75	6	8
To rent of the correction house yeard, cropt 1714, from Andrew Adam, ... ..	50	0	0
To rent of the walk milne, frae Whysunday 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, from Robert Tennent, ... ..	66	13	4
To rent of the toun milne lands, cropt 1713, ... ..	193	6	8
To rent of Pickie and Pickie milne frae Martimes 1712 to Martimes 1713, ... ..	240	0	0
To flesh mercat rent frae Whytsunday 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, ... ..	200	0	0
To land mercat rent frae Martimes 1712 to Martimes 1713, ... ..	66	13	4
To rent of the Wester Comon, cropt 1714, from James Bell, ... ..	137	6	8
To rent of the Old Green frae Mathew Crawford, cropt 1714, ... ..	120	0	0
To cash in part payment of the teynds of barroney parish and burrow ruids, from John M'Gilchrist, ... ..	2,194	17	10
To cash in part payment of the seat rentis, from James Thomson, ... ..	498	0	0
To cash from Zacharias Murdoch, collector of the touns 2d., from November 1713 to November 1714, as per act of counceill Febr. 9th, 1715, ... ..	16,580	2	6
To cash from John Gray, late collector of the stent, for the half of the year 1713, per act of counceill Agust 26, 1715, ... ..	4,726	0	4
To cash from William Gray, as commissioner for John Gray deceased, collector of the stent for the half of the year 1714, per act forsaid, ... ..	4,567	17	0
To small burges fynes from John M'Gilchrist, frae Michaelmess, 1713, to do. 1714, ... ..	223	5	0
To cash from John M'Gilchrist, in part of the touns ground annualls and fewduties of Gorballis, ... ..	300	0	0
To the touns part of the grassum of the Gorbal lands from Thomas Finlay, ... ..	266	13	4
To John Fergussons burges fyne, ... ..	60	0	0
To Thomas Thomson, flesher, his burges fyne, ... ..	40	0	0
To Peter Parker, in Port Glasgow, his entery to his fathers lands in Port Glasgow, being the double of the fewduty for that year per act of counceill Aprill 1st, 1714, ... ..	13	16	0
To cash from Eliz. Johns, relict of Walter Peter, for a seat in the north loft in the new kirk, ... ..	16	0	0

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	£	s.	d.
To cash from William Douglas and William Kerr for ground to build on at the Spoutmouth, per act Aprill 1st, 1714, ...	100	0	0

Former rests now cleared.

To a rest given up by the former treasurer by William Thomson, chyrurgeon, of 2d. termes payment of the trone and weigh-house, roup 1705, ... ..	373	6	8
To another rest by the said William Thomson for the 2d. termes payment of the fishmercat, roup 1705, ... ..	35	0	0
To another rest received from said William Thomson due by Margaret Miller, relict of James Gibson, merchand, for two thirds of the rent of a seat, No. 15, in the laigh kirke, from September 1695 to September 1702,... ..	42	0	0

The above 3 articles cleared by act of councill  
25 January 1715.

Rest to be charged and discharged.

To a rest by Sir James Smollet and Sir William Meinzie of their bond of 10,000 lib. on accompt of the late burrow tack of the customs, ... ..	3,160	0	0
By a debt dew to the toun for maintaining the French prisoners taken by captain Campbell, which with the annual rent therof by the equivalent note new renewed extends to 128 li. starling as per act of councill Jully 2d 1715, ... ..	1,536	0	0
By John Peadie of his bond of 1,000 merks resting of his intronmissions with the ground annualls, ... ..	116	1	10
By George Campbell, sometyme master of work, by note, ... ..	1,200	0	0
By William Lindsay, carter, by bond, ... ..	15	0	0
By Euphan Anderson, spouse to John Crawford, by note, ... ..	56	0	0
By George Lawder, by note, ... ..	68	12	0
By him for excyse, frae March 1st 1697 to March 1st 1698, ... ..	2,840	14	0
By him for the four moneths stent collected by him at Lambass and Martimas 1697, ... ..	188	6	8
By James Sheills of his band of 59 li., ... ..	35	0	0
By a rest by James Kelburn of his intronmissions with the stent, per act of councill Aprill 3d, 1710, ... ..	178	0	8
By a particular accompt of rests judged insolvent, recorded in the principall councill book, per act Agust 26, 1715, and ordained to be carried on in each treasurers accompt, ... ..	1,664	4	6

Summa of the charge is, ... ..	61,029	11	5
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JOHN WHYTHILL, creditor, by payment of money as treasurer to the town of Glasgow from Michaelmess 1713 to Michaelmess 1714.

Imprimis, by 3,000 merks in two bands due to Thomas Hamilton, maltman, late baillie, the one daited 12 September 1702, the other daited 12 November 1703, retired with discharge,	£	s.	d.
By 8,700 merks by bond due to William Napier, late provost of Glasgow, and John Gibson, merchant, for the behoove of Robert Gibson, merchant, and his children, daited 26 October 1693, retired with discharge, ... ..	2,000	0	0
	5,800	0	0

Creditor by payment of annual rents of the above principall sums.

By payed to baillie Hamilton as the annual rent of his 2,000 lib. from Lambass 1714 to Whytsunday 1715, ...	75	0	0
By payed Robert Gibson as the annual rent of the forsaid 8,700 merks, together with what was payed by preceeding tresauneris, is in full from Martmess 1710 to Lambass 1715,	727	1	8

Creditor by payment of annual rents of principall sums not paid off.

By payed to the principall of the colledge as ane yearis annualrent of 13,200 lib. by two bonds to the dutches of Hamilton from Whytsunday 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, ... ..	726	0	0
By 55 pund as the annualrent 1,000 pund mortified by Robert Govan for the poor, payed at the Laigh Kirk, February the 1st, 1714, ... ..	55	0	0
By payed Robert Barns as ane years annualrent of 800 lib. frae Martinmess 1713 to Martinmess 1714, ... ..	44	0	0
By payed Bessy Bogle, as ane years annualrent of 3,000 lib. from Whytsunday 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, ... ..	100	0	0
By payed David Pagan, Kirk tresauner, as a years annualrent of 2,900 merks, by two bonds from Martinmess 1713 to Martinmess 1714, one of the bonds for 1,000 merks being at 5 per cent., ... ..	103	0	0

Creditor by annualrents payd on occasional borrowings.

By payed William Crawford as the annualrent of 600 lib. from the 4 of November 1713 to the 4 September 1714, ...	27	0	0
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Creditor by payment of acts of councill.

By payed to the town oficeris, Gorbail officer, James Reid and the dempster, as use is, per act of councill daited 1 Aprill 1714, ... ..	40	10	0
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	£	s.	d.
By payed to provost Aird for his charges eight days at a committie of the burrowes, and for his and these that were with him their expenssis in going to Barscimen to dean of guild Yuills buriall, per act of counceill daited ( <i>blank</i> ), ...	99	0	0
By payed provost Aird as his expenssis at the general assembly and other affairs of the burgh, and being twyce at Kilmarnock and Air, per act of counceill the 22d June 1714 and recept, ...	199	10	0
By payed John M'Gilchrist for wryting billgets to the poor and keeping the accompt therof, and for wryting William Gows treasurer accompt, per act of counceill daited 22 June 1714,...	50	0	0
By payed Patrick Cree, maister of work, which he depursed for reparation of the High Kirk, per act of counceill July 2d 1714, ... ..	1,369	7	0
By payed John Bowman, baillie, as his and others who were appointed to go with him, their expenssis at Air in prosecuting Mr. George Campbell call for being minister to the north quarter, per act Agust 17, 1714, ... ..	45	4	0
By payed to the toun officeris, Gorbail officer, James Rid and the dempster, as use is, per act Octobr 2d 1714, ... ..	40	10	0
By 36 pund to John Robison and 12 pund to John M'Meikine for extraordinary wrytings in the touns affairs, per act October 2d 1714, ... ..	48	0	0
By payed to Thomas Hamilton, chyrurgeon, for curing two poor people of broken legs, at the magistrats desire, per act daited October 2d 1714, ... ..	36	0	0
By payed Samuel Carruith, messon, for messon work and furnishing furnished by him to the castle well, per act daited October 1st 1714, ... ..	59	0	0
By payed John Bowman, baillie, for mournings to the kirks at the Queens death, per act daited October 1, 1714, ... ..	67	0	0
By payed James Rowan, merchant, in distress, per [act dated] October 16, 1714, ... ..	12	0	0
By payed provost Aird as his and the clerks expenssis at Port Glasgow and Finlaystoun, they having gone there in order to accomodat the diference betwixt the toun and the earle of Glencarn about planting Port Glasgow, per act daited 16 October 1714, ... ..	27	6	0
By payed provost Aird, dean of gild Smith and convener Grahame, as the ordinary and extraordinary expenssis attending the generall convention of the royall burrows at Edinburgh, being there 14 days in Jully 1714, per act 17 Agust 1714,	316	14	8
By payed John Sym, procurator fiscall, and his man, for service done by him to the toun since the last election, per act October 2, 1714, ... ..	34	0	0

By payed to provost Aird as his expenssis at the general convention of the royall burrows in November 1714, and at Air in prosecuting Mr. George Campbellis call before the presbitry, per act daited December 4th 1714, ... ..	238	6	8
By payed to Thomas Smith, dean of gild, as his expenssis at Edinburgh at the convention of the royall burrows in November 1714, per act daited 4 December 1714, ... ..	69	14	0
By payed John Bowman, baillie, which he payed to John Robertson, sherrieff clerk, for compearing at the head courts of the shire for this burgh and their lands of Provan, for the yearis 1711, 1712 and 1713, conform to his receipt, per act daited January 1st 1715, ... ..	18	0	0
By payed to William Anderson, late baillie, for a hogshead claret wine furnished by him to the communion in November 1714, per act January 25, 1715, ... ..	150	0	0
By payed Anable Dennie for furnishing the news letters to the coffie house frae Michaelmess 1713 to ditto 1714, per act January 1st, 1715, ... ..	19	7	0
By payed to provost Aird and others as their expenssis in going to Air and prosecuting the touns call to Mr. George Campbell before the presbitry there, and for their horse meat and for extracts of the proces before the presbitry in reference thereto, per act January 25, 1715, ... ..	103	6	8
By paid James Lees for transporting eight persons condemned at Jedburgh, whom the lords ordered the magistrats of this place to ship off to the plantations, per act January 1st 1715, ... ..	156	0	0
By paid John Murdoch of Craigtoun as the touns part of the charge for repairing Govane Kirk, per act February 9th 1715, ... ..	33	0	0
By payed John Hunter, messon in Port Glasgow, for work wrought by him at the old custom house there, per act February 22, 1715, ... ..	86	0	0
By payed as follows, viz., to Thomas Smith, dean of gild, 106 lib. 17 s. 6 d.; John Graham, baillie, 12 lib. 12 s., which they expended at Hamilton at severall tymes on the touns accompt, and at Lanerk at the election of a commissioner to the parliament, and at severall occasions which they had with the touns friends upon the touns accompt; and to Stephen Crawford, deacon convener, 64 lib. 18 s.; and to Thomas Hamilton, maltman, late baillie, 219 lib. 10 s.; and to John Robertson, wryter, 28 lib. 11 s. 10 d., which they expended and laid out at severall tymes and different occasions on the touns accompt and with the touns friends, per act daited 28 March 1715, ... ..	540	12	4
By payed Allexander Finlayson, toun clerk, as his expenssis at			

	£	s.	d.
severall times meeting with the arbitrators in the submission betwixt the earle of Glencairn and the toun anent the patronage of Port Glasgow, and for postage of letters, drawing the submission, and uther ways on the touns affairs, per act daited March 28, 1715, ... ..	24	6	8
By payed Robert Bogle, merchant, for ane hogshead of wine furnished by him to the provost last year, as use is, per act daited Agust 26, 1715, ... ..	180	0	0
By payed to dean of gild Smith for defraying his expenssis at the parliament, per his receipt March 3d 1715, ... ..	1,200	0	0
By payed William Thomson, chyrurgeon, viz., in money 636 lib. and by 373 lib. 6 s. 8 d. which was resting by him for the second terms payment of the trone and weigh house, roup 1705, and by 35 lib. owing by him for the 2 <sup>d</sup> . terms payment of the fishmercat said year, and by 42 lib. which was owing by Margret Miller, relict of James Gibson, from September 1695 to September 1702, for two thirds of the seat No. 15 in the Laigh Kirk, of which three last sums of rests the said John Whythill granted discharge to the said William Thomson, and with the forsaied 636 lib. paid him in money was in full payment to the said William Thomson for his granting ane discharge to the toun of the sums following, viz., of 97 lib. which was resting of 1,297 lib. to James Gibson, 648 resting to James Mushet, 84 lib. resting to Coline Bell, and 112 lib. resting to Robert Cross for wines furnished by them to the toun conform to ane act of counceill daited the 2d of February 1689; which three last sums were assigned by the saids James Mushet, Coline Bell and Robert Cross to the said James Gibson, and the said James Gibson by a factory to Margret Miller, his spouse, did impower her to uplift all his debts and sums and to assign and dispone the same as she should think fit, and she by translation did transferr the forsaied act of counceill and haill sums forsaied to the said William Thomson, and lykewise of 29 lib. owing to John Miller, merchand, conform to ane act of counceill daited the 23d of January 1689, to which the said William Thomson hes rycht as executor confirmed to him, as also of what he the said William Thomson can ask or seek frae the toun by vertew of ane act of counceill in his favouris for being the touns chyrurgeon daited the 8 of May 1688 either upon accompt of cellary, drogs, mendicaments or uther applications, all at length specifeit and contained in ane act of counceill thereanent daited the 25 January 1715; quhich discharge granted by the said William Thomson is daited 26			

£ s. d.

January 1715, and herewith given in with the haill wryts therein narrated and discharged, <i>inde</i> the said 636 lib. and the said rests of trone and fish mercat and seat rents discharged extends to, ... ..	1,086	6	8
By two hundred and fourty pund, as the rent of Picky and Picky Milne, uplifted by Robert Campbell, the touns agent, upon a discharge the tresaurer sent him, viz., frae Martimes 1712 to ditto 1713, ... ..	240	6	8
By payed to John Broun, late baillie, per order and receipt sent November 29, 1714, ... ..	32	0	0
By payed to Coline Campbell of Blythswood towards helping to defray the charge in finishing the cassey of Inchenan per act July 2, 1714, ... ..	60	0	0
Creditor by payment of the Master of Works accompts.			
By payed to Patrick Cree, master of work; as his accompt for the moneths of October, November, and December, 1713, per act, daited 3d January 1714, ... ..	2,453	13	6
By £1,725 10 s. 8 d. as his master of works accompt, for January, February and March, 1714, per act dated April 1st 1714, ... ..	1,725	10	8
By £1,698 5 s. 10 d. as his master of works accompt for April, May, and June, 1714, per act July 2d 1714, ... ..	1,698	5	10
By £2,618 11 s. 4 d. as his master of works accompt for July, Agust, and September, 1714, per act October 2d 1714, ... ..	2,618	11	4
Creditor by payment of cess and burrow missive dewes.			
By payed Gavine Plumer, in full of the four moneths cess, payable before the 25th March 1714, ... ..	4,726	0	4
By payed Gavine Plumer, as the 4 moneths cess, payable the 29 September 1714, per discharge, ... ..	4,726	0	4
By payed Mr. George Smollet, agent to the burrows, in full of a years missive dewes from July 1714 to July 1715, per discharge, ... ..	835	0	0
Creditor by payment of Scotstarvets prentices, and Bishop Lightons mortification.			
By [paid] to James M'Lea, wright, of prentice fie with William Scot, ... ..	60	0	0
By [paid] to John Wilson, skiner, of prentice fie with Robert Wilson, ... ..	60	0	0
By payd to John Provan, taylor, of prentice fie with William Provan, ... ..	60	0	0
By payed to James Colzier, hamerman, of prentice fie with William Colzier, ... ..	60	0	0

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	£	s.	d.
By fifty four pund to each of James Johnston, James Smith, and Robert Scot, the three old men in Lightons mortification, from Lambass 1713 to Lambass 1714, ... ..	162	0	0
By one hundred and eight pund to each of David Broun and David Turner, bursars in Bishop Lightons mortification, from October 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	216	0	0
Creditor by payment of ministers stipends, Gramar School masters, and precenter's fialls.			
By payed Mr. John Hamilton, as his years stipend frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	1,080	0	0
By the lyke soun to Mr. John Scot, as his stipend said year, ...	1,080	0	0
By the lyke soun to Mr. James Clark, as his stipend said year, ...	1,080	0	0
By the lyke soun to Mr. John Gray, as his stipend said year, ...	1,080	0	0
By payed Mr. James Brown, as his half years stipend frae Whytsunday to Martimes 1713, ... ..	540	0	0
By [paid] Mr. James Stirling, minister of the Barrony parish, as his stipend frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ...	950	0	0
By paid John Hamilton of Bardowie, the half of the ann dew to Mr. James Broun's relict, frae Martimes 1713 to Whytsunday 1714, as having rycht by factory from her, ...	270	0	0
By the lyke sum paid Mr. Andrew Ross, son in law to Mr. James Broun, as the other half of the ann dew to the childeren of the said Mr. James Broune, as per his receipt and obligation, to procure discharge from these who shall have right to the same, ... ..	270	0	0
By Mr. George Skirvan, rector of the Gramar Scholl, as his years sallary, from November 1713 to November 1, 1714, ...	306	13	4
By Mr. William Brisban, one of the doctors of the Gramar Schooll, as his sallary, said year, ... ..	153	6	8
By Mr. Andrew Lyll, second doctor, as his salary, said year, ...	133	6	8
By Mr. Archibald Napier, precenter in the Laigh Church, as his years sallary, from November 1713 to November 1714, ...	53	6	8
By Mr. John Harper, precenter in the Outer Kirk, his sallary, said year, ... ..	40	0	0
By Mr. Robert Hunter, precenter in the new kirk, his sallary, said year, ... ..	40	0	0
By Mr. Andrew Lyll, precenter in the Wynd, his sallary, said year, ... ..	40	0	0
By John Cantlie, schoollmaster in Port Glasgow, as his sallary, frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	33	6	8
Creditor by payment of magistrats and others their fiail.			
By the provost, baillies, water baillie, clerk, fiscall, master of work and treasurer, their fiails, frae Michaelmes 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	165	0	0

	£	s.	d.
By Mr. Mew, writing master, his sallary frae Martimes 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	180	0	0
By Mr. Granprie, teacher of French, as his sallary for three quarters of ane year frae Candlemes 1714 to Martimes 1714, per receipt, at which tyme the act in his favour was rescinded, daited Aprill 1st 1714, ... ..	112	10	0
By [paid] to Robert Peadie, beddell to the Barronie parish, his years fiall, for the lands of Provan and Linenshawgh, frae Martimes 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	1	19	0
By [paid] to John McKellar and James Morison, officers, for warning the counceill as use is, frae Michaelmes 1713 to ditto 1714, per order, ... ..	10	0	0
By the toun drumers as their fiall frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	53	6	8
By William Telfert, hamerman, for keeping the clocks and chimes frae Lambass 1713 to 1714, ... ..	166	13	4
By Andrew Whyt, for keeping the touns wells frae Martinmes 1713 to ditto 1714, per receipt, ... ..	266	13	4
By [paid] to Robert Thomson, postmaster, for furnishing a post to Portglasgow, frae Martimes 1712 to Martimes 1713, ... ..	24	0	0
By Robert Stevenson, for glass work and overseeing the Hie Kirk, as his sallary frae March 1st 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	133	6	8
By Duncan Campbell, stonecutter, as his years sallary, frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	66	13	4
By [paid] to Archibald Cameron, quartermaster, as his years sallary, frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	180	0	0
By [paid] to John Wright, gardener, for flowers to the counceill seat, anno 1714, ... ..	12	0	0
By [paid] to Robert Kirkland, and Mr. Robert Robison, for examining the north quarter, ... ..	72	0	0
By the lyke soum to Mr. John Anderson, and Mr. Allexander Ker, for examining the north west quarter, ... ..	72	0	0
By [paid] to James Morison, officer, for assisting to get in the touns money, as use is, ... ..	6	0	0
By [paid] to Robert Thomson, schoolmaster in Provan, as his years fiall, frae Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, ... ..	12	0	0
By [paid] to the schoolmaster at Clayslap, his sallary, said year, ... ..	0	16	0
By allowed to George Allan and partneris, tacksmen of the multures, the malt tax not taking place according to the condition of the tack, for 2d. terms payment, roup 1713, ... ..	500	0	0
By the lyke sum to said George Allan, for the said cause out of the first terms payment of the multures, roup 1714, ... ..	500	0	0
By allowed to Robert Buchanan, tacksmen of the Gorbail lands, as the touns part of the cess due at Candlemess, and Lambass, 1714, ... ..	20	0	0

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	£	s.	d.
By allowed to the touns tacksmen, as use is, ... ..	12	0	0
By allowed John Hamilton, as paid by him for the cess of the Provan, ... ..	52	15	2
By allowed Robert Buchanan, for timber furnished by him for the Provan, per John Hamiltons order, ... ..	8	0	0
By [paid] to John Hamilton, for timber bought by him for said land, ... ..	3	0	0
By [paid] to baillie Buchanan, for timber furnished by him for said lands, per John Hamiltons order, ... ..	7	15	8
By [paid] to John Craig, wright, for timber furnished by him for said lands, per John Hamiltons order, ... ..	55	5	0
By [paid] to Mungo Cochran, for timber furnished by him for said lands, per account, ... ..	37	16	0
By [paid] to John Hamilton, as his sallary, for his pains in giving orders for the timber needfull for the Provan lands, ... ..	18	0	0
By payd a messenger, for giving a charge of horning to Mathew Crawford, for Port Glasgow rent, and to James Bell, for the rent of Westercommon, ... ..	0	18	0
By allowed Richard Cwilly and partners, tacksmen of the ladles, roup 1713, upon accompt of the duke of Montrose victuall that did not pay ladles, ... ..	60	0	0
By fifteen pund to him for meallmercat, roup 1713, upon accompt forsaid, ... ..	15	0	0
By [paid] as the rent of the Gorbail lodging, from Whytsunday 1713 to ditto 1714, uplifted by John Craig, formerly treasurer, wherewith he charged himself in his tresaurer accompt, and which is lykewise charged to the compt, ... ..	160	0	0
By one hundred pund for the bannok of the Old Milne of Partick, cropt 1713, per receipt, he having quatt the said bannok to the toun, during the years to run of his tack from the Colledge, and which the toun hes now sett to James Anderson of Stobercross, ... ..	100	0	0
Creditor by payment of fewdutys and others.			
By [paid] to Walter Boyd, for the washing place at the foot of the New Vennell, for cropt 1713, ... ..	6	17	6
By Robert Buntine of Ardoch, factor for Greenok, for fewduty of the Royall closs, frae Martimes 1712 to ditto 1713, ... ..	66	13	4
By payd to Mungo Cochran, factor to the Colledge, for the touns part of the teynd and fewduties of Gorbails lands, the fewduty of the trone, tolbooth, meallmercat, Linnenshawgh, new milne, burrow rood lands, and great teynd tackduty, payable to the Colledge, as tacksmen of the Bishops rents, for cropt 1713, per receipt, ... ..	397	12	0

	£	s.	d.
By paid to said Mungo Cochran, for fifty bolls malt due to the College, furth of the Old Milne of Partick, for cropt 1713, which year the said milne lay waist, ... ..	262	10	0
By given down to William Gray, of the stent for which he was cautioner for John Gray, per act dated 20 June 1716, ...	100	0	0
By two hundred pund of rest of the rent of the Green, roup 1714, by William Alexander, ... ..	200	0	0
To the clerks servant for wryting and booking these accompts, ...	10	0	0
By fourty pund for paper, wax, and bags, furnished by the said John Whythill the tyme he was treasurer, ... ..	40	0	0
Creditor by rests charged and now to be discharged.			
By a rest of Sir James Smollet, and Sir William Menzies, of their bond of 10,000 lib. on accompt of the late burrow tack of the customs, ... ..	3,160	0	0
By a debt dew to the burgh, for maintaining the French prisoners, taken by Captain Campbell, which with the annualrent thereof, by the equivalent note now renewed, extends to 128 lib. starling, as per act of counceill, July 2d 1715, ...	1,536	0	0
By John Peady, of his bond of 1,000 merks, resting of his intronmissions with the ground annualls, ... ..	116	1	10
By George Campbell, sometyme master of work, by note, ...	1,200	0	0
By William Lindsay, carter, by bond, ... ..	15	0	0
By Euphan Anderson, spouse to John Crawford, by note, ...	56	0	0
By George Lauder, by note, ... ..	68	12	0
By him for excyse, from March 1st 1697 to ditto 1698, ... ..	2,840	14	0
By him, for the four moneths stent collected be him, at Lambess and Martimes, 1697 year, ... ..	188	6	8
By James Sheills, of his band of 59 lib., ... ..	35	0	0
By a rest by James Kelburn, of his intronmissions with the stent, stated per act of counceill, Aprill 3rd, 1710, ... ..	178	0	8
By a particuar accompt of rests, judged insolvent, recorded in the principall counceill book, and ordained to be carried on in each treasurers accompt, per act of counceill, Agust 26, 1715, ... ..	1,664	4	6
The charge of this accompt extends to, ... ..	61,029	11	5
The discharge extends to, ... ..	58,116	6	0
Swae that their rests be John Whythill of ballance, ...	2,913	5	5



## II.

## ACCOUNT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TEINDS, 1703-7.

JAMES SLOSSE, merchant, debtor to the toun of Glasgow, for his intromissions with the teynds, grassum entry, and annualrent of the same, for the Barrony paroach of Glasgow and Burrow Aikers, from Michaelmes j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and three to Martimes j<sup>m</sup> vij<sup>e</sup> and seven years, being four years; the annualrent of the said grassum fra Martmes 1704, the teynd being at £34 9s. on each hundreded pounds of valuation, and the grassum £30 1s. per £100 of valuation.

	Valuation.			Interest.			Grassum.			Teynd.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
John Woddrope of Westthorn,	325	0	0	10	19	10	97	13	3	447	17	0
John Cross of Glendifill, ...	60	0	0	2	0	6	18	0	7	82	0	6
James Tod, maltman, John and George Tods, bretheren, for Haghill, ...	60	0	0	2	0	6	18	0	7	82	0	6
John Corsbie of Sandiehill, ...	22	0	0	0	15	0	6	12	2	30	7	4
George Luke of Easter Dalbeth, John Scott and Alexander Houston, tenents to Janet French, widow, for her lands in Kelvinhaugh, for- merly John M'Nairs, ...	40	0	0	1	7	0	12	0	4	55	2	8
Thomas Eaton and John Kerr, tenents to James Ker, smith, for his lands in Kel- vinhaugh, ...	4	0	0	0	2	8	1	4	0	5	12	0
Archibald Morton, tutor to Margaret Luke in Sandie- hill, ...	4	0	0	0	2	8	1	4	0	5	12	0
Alexander Woddrope in Shet- tleston, ...	6	0	0	0	3	0	1	16	2	8	8	0
James Morison, tenent to Eliza- beth Corse, relict of John Pitcairn of Blairtamock,	35	0	0	1	3	8	10	10	4	48	5	4
William Mathie of Sandiehill,	19	0	0	0	13	0	5	14	2	26	3	4
John Tenent, portioner of San- diehill, ...	73	0	0	2	7	2	21	18	8	100	14	8
John Robisoun, portioner of Shettleston, ...	25	0	0	0	16	10	7	10	3	34	9	0
John Murray, portioner there,	6	0	0	0	3	0	1	16	0	8	8	0
	22	0	0	0	4	0	6	12	2	30	7	4

	Valuation.	Interest.	Grassum.	Teynd.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
John Gray, portioner of Dal- marnock, ... ..	102 0 0	3 8 10	30 13 0	140 12 0
Baillie Robert Rae, his land in Burrowfield, 138 li. of valuation, quherof there is 58 li. of valuation that is free from teynd by his charter, so he has tack at 80 li. of valuation, ...	80 0 0	2 14 4	24 2 4	110 8 0
The incorporation of cordaners for Easter and Nether Possills, ... ..	90 0 0	3 0 8	27 1 0	124 0 0
Andrew Scott of Kenmuir for his land in Barrony paroch, ... ..	48 0 0	1 12 0	14 8 6	66 2 0
William Woddrop, portioner of Dalmarnock, ... ..	60 0 0	2 0 6	18 0 7	82 0 6
John Govane, of Hogginfield, The Taylors of Glasgow for North and West Parson Crofts and Clay Knowes,	50 0 0	1 13 8	15 0 6	68 18 0
John Allan, younger, in Shet- tleston and John Robb, equally betuixt them, for James Govanes land in Shettlestoun, ... ..	90 0 0	3 0 8	27 1 0	124 0 0
John Allan, younger, in Shet- tleston and John Robb, equally betuixt them, for James Govanes land in Shettlestoun, ... ..	60 0 0	2 0 6	18 0 7	82 0 6
The maltmen of Glasgow, ...	112½ 0 0	3 16 0	33 16 1	155 2 0
John Woddrow, younger, and William Stewart, malt- men, tenents to Thomas Broun, ... ..	19 0 0	0 13 0	5 14 2	26 3 4
John Gibson, portioner of New- toun, ... ..	86 0 0	2 18 6	25 16 10	118 12 8
Hutchisons Hospitall for Ramshorn and Meadow- flatt, ... ..	250 0 0	8 8 8	75 2 6	344 10 0
John Pettigrew, portioner of Shettlestoun, for his lands there and Hole, ... ..	76 0 0	2 11 2	22 16 8	104 16 0
William Arbuckle for his land in Burrowfield, ... ..	13 0 0	0 9 0	3 18 1	17 19 4
The said John Gibson upon				

	Valuation.			Interest.			Grassum.			Teynd.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
accompt of provest Gibsones mother, liferentrix of that land in Nether Newtoun whereof provest Gibsone is proprietor, ...	47	0	0	1	11	6	14	2	6	64	16	8
John Wallace, younger, merchant, ...	38	0	0	1	4	8	11	8	4	52	8	4
Mrs. Robb, relict of Mr. Thomas Robb, the half of that formerly Mr. Hugh Muirs, ...	16½	0	0	0	14	0	4	19	2	22	15	4
The said John Woddrow, tenent to John Campbell, chyrurgeon in Greenock, the other half, ...	16½	0	0	0	14	0	4	19	2	22	15	4
Hugh Burns, portioner of Easter Possill, ...	25	0	0	1	5	4	7	10	3	34	9	0
John Stobo, tenent to John M'Culloch, taylor, ...	20	0	0	0	15	0	6	0	2	27	11	4
Mr. Alexander Muir, minister at Rutherglen, tutor to John Listoun, tanner, ...	50	0	0	2	11	10	15	0	6	68	18	0
Patrick Bell of Cowcadans, ...	44	0	0	1	9	0	13	4	2	60	13	4
Andrew Neilson, portioner of Sandiehills, ...	19	0	0	0	13	0	5	14	2	26	3	4
Grissell Pettigrew, portioner of Sandiehills, ...	73	0	0	2	9	6	21	18	8	100	14	8
George Allan, tenent to Andrew Armour for his land in Shettlestoun, ...	7	0	0	0	5	0	2	2	1	9	14	0
William Sheills for Maltidubbs, ...	5	0	0	0	6	0	1	10	2	6	18	0
William Campbell of Succoch for the lands of Kenmure and Alexander Woddrops part of Carntine which belonged to the deceit John Colquhoun of Kenmure, ...	283	0	0	10	14	3	85	0	9	390	0	8
Mary Wood, relict of John Adam, merchant, for his land formerly umquhill John Parlans, ...	45	6	8	2	0	0	13	12	5	62	10	0

	Valuation.			Interest.			Grassum.			Teynd.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Thomas Harvie, merchant, for his land, ... ..	22	13	4	1	0	0	6	16	2	32	4	8
Andrew Meinzie, portioner of Bollornock, ... ..	50	0	0	1	17	6	15	0	6	68	18	0
Thomas Scott, portioner there, Hugh Wallace, merchant, his land of Kenniehill and Easter Craigs, ... ..	25	0	0	0	18	8	7	10	3	34	9	0
The Merchants House of Glasgow for their lands in Wester Craigs, ... ..	200	0	0	6	15	0	60	2	0	273	10	0
Simon Tenent for his land in Shettlestoun, ... ..	150	0	0	5	1	2	45	1	6	206	14	0
John Allan, younger, for his land in Shettlestoun, ... ..	64	0	0	3	6	0	19	4	7	88	5	4
James Anderson of Stobcross, John Gibson, upon account of John Woddrop, portioner of Dalmarnock, ... ..	91	0	0	3	16	8	27	6	10	125	8	8
William Stirling, of Northwoodside, for his lands of Northwoodside and Kerpoch, ... ..	200	0	0	11	18	0	60	2	0	273	16	0
Agnes Spreull, relict of John Spreull of Blachairn, for her land of Blachairn, ... ..	125	0	0	7	16	0	37	11	3	172	5	0
Robert Dinwiddie, merchant, for his lands of Jermistoun and his part of Ballornock, ... ..	178	0	0	8	4	8	53	8	9	245	6	4
John Peadie, factor to William Knox, merchant, for the lands of Eastthorn, ... ..	90	12	0	5	7	6	27	4	8	124	16	8
John Johnstoun in Shettlestoun, for his lands there, ... ..	118	15	0	5	9	6	35	13	8	163	12	0
Umquhill John Crawford of Milntoun his relict, for his lands of Milntoun, 125 li.; Broomhill, 280 li.; William Andersones land, portioner of Newtown, 47 li.; Coutstouns land and a part of Over Possill, 210 li.; in all,	180	0	0	8	19	8	54	1	8	248	1	4
	12	0	0	0	12	0	3	12	2	16	12	0
	662	0	0	33	0	0	198	18	7	912	6	0

	Valuation.			Interest.			Grassum.			Teynd.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The heirs of the said John Crawford have the half of £10 of valuation which belonged to Robert Hamilton in Partick, but the magistrates quittance the teynd thereof to them being 1 li. 14 s. 6 d.												
The baxters of Glasgow for their lands and milnes, but in regard they have butt six or seven aikers of land and their milnes are not teyndable, the magistrats and committee did quittance grassum and all for taking tack for 80 li. valuation and paying the bygone teynd, ... ..	80	0	0	—			—			110	5	4
Mrs. Colquhoun for the lands of Stobmoor and Stockhill which belonged to George M'Taget in Calder, ...	28	2	0	1	13	0	8	8	11	38	15	4
John Forbes of Knapperine, for Wester Possill, ... ..	133	0	0	7	5	0	39	19	3	183	6	8
Towcorse for the lands of Towcorse, ... ..	220	0	0	12	1	2	66	2	2	303	3	4
William Campbell of Succoch for the lands of the deceist John Corbet of Carntine, ...	28	0	0	1	15	6	8	8	3	38	12	8
The touns own lands of Provand and Linnenshaugh, ... ..	1280	0	0	81	0	7	384	12	8	173	17	4
Followes those not entered in tack and have payd nothing.												
Provest Gibson in Kelvinhaugh, Blythswood for his goodfathers land, 350 li.; and for his fathers land, 430 li., ...	780	0	0	49	0	0	234	7	9	1074	17	4
Provest Peadie for Ruchhill, ... ..	110	0	0	6	19	0	33	1	1	151	12	0
Baillie John Woddrop his land in Shettleston, ... ..	7	0	0	0	8	4	2	2	1	9	14	0

	Valuation.			Interest.			Grassum.			Teynd.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dougalstoun, ... ..	35	0	0	2	4	4	10	10	4	48	5	4
Mr. John Bells heirs for Provethaugh, ... ..	43	0	0	3	0	10	12	18	4	59	6	0
Margaret Watson, widow, a vassall of Blythswood, ...	7	0	0	0	8	4	2	2	1	9	14	0
Scotstoun, a vassall of Blythswood, ... ..	5	0	0	0	4	2	1	10	0	6	18	0
John Walkinshaw of Burrowfield for his lands of Burrowfield, 900 li.; and for Zacharias Murdochs land in Burrowfield, 75 li., ...	975	0	0	62	0	0	292	19	8	1343	11	0
Summa of the Charge of Barony parish,	8431	0	0	420	6	8	2509	8	4	11617	1	4

William Selkrig, wryter, in the rentall for 16 li. of valuation which was sold to the Barrony session and sold be them to the Colledge, which lyes in Dowhill and payes of rent 6½ bolls, and is charged in the rentall of Burrow Aikers, and so is both charged in the Burrow Aikers and the Barrony.

The other half of the 10 li. of valuation, charged on Robert Hamilton in Partick, belongs to the Colledge, and payes to them 3½ bolls, a half belongs to Comissar Crawford's heirs as aforesaid.

JAMES SLOSSER, debtor. for his intromissions with the teynds, grassums, and interest thereof of the Burrow Aikers, fra Michaelmis 1703 to Martimes 1707. the teynd at 12 shillings per boll, the grassum at 10 shillings per boll.

	Bolls.	Interest.			Grassum.			Teynd.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
William Stewart, maltman, tenent to John Reids relict for the half of 1½ aikers in Longcraft haill valued 6 bolls, is 3 bolls, and tenent to Mathew Aikins heirs 3 roods in Deansyde 2 bolls, ... ..	5	0	5	8	2	10	0	12	0	0
John Woddrow, younger, maltman, 2 aikers in Longcraft 6 bolls, and four aikers in Provanside 6 bolls, and tenent to said John Reids relict for the other half of her land 3 bolls, ... ..	15	0	16	8	7	10	0	36	0	0

	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
Patrick Reid, tenent to Margaret Watson, widow, for 2 roods in Broomilaw and 2 roods in Longcraft, ... ..	3	0 3 6	1 10 0	7 4 0
Elizabeth Birse, relict of James Love, 3 aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	8	0 9 0	4 0 0	19 4 0
John Grahame, son to Provost Grahame, 4½ aikers in Garngade, ... ..	10	0 11 2	5 0 0	24 0 0
William Hutchisons relict, tenent to Hutchisons Hospitall, 1½ aikers in Longcraft, ... ..	6	0 6 10	3 0 0	14 8 0
John Govane of Hogginfield, 8 aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	17	0 11 2	8 10 0	40 16 0
John Miller and William Willson, maltmen, tenents to Scotstoun, 5½ aikers in Broomilaw and half ane aiker in Langcraft, ... ..	15½	0 17 0	7 12 6	36 12 0
William Henry, maltman, tenent to Margaret Fleckfield, 1 aiker in Broomilaw, ... ..	3	0 3 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
James Miller, maltman, 3 aikers in Garngade, ... ..	6	0 6 8	3 0 0	14 8 0
William Stevenson, maltman, son in law to John Stark, half ane aiker in Gallowmoor and 5½ aikers in Garngade, ... ..	12½	0 13 6	6 2 6	29 8 0
John Houston, quaker, his relict, 3 roods in Gallowmoor, ... ..	2	0 2 6	1 0 0	4 16 0
Alexander Kerr and James Kerrs relict tenents to Patrick Bell of Cowcadans, 4 aikers in Provanside, ... ..	8	0 9 0	4 0 0	19 4 0
From the said Alexander Kerr, tenent to the heirs of Mr. Hugh Blair, 4 aikers in Provanside, ... ..	7	0 8 0	3 10 0	16 16 0
John Anderson, youngest, merchant, for ane aiker in Longcraft and 3 aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	13	2 16 0	6 10 0	31 4 0
John Anderson, forsaid, for Robert Anderson his brother, George Dainziell and Margaret Masoun, relict of Patrick Gilmor, taylor, for Flemingtoun, ... ..	12	—	6 0 0	28 16 0

	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
John Stirling, elder, merchant, 10½ aikers in Garngad, ...	21	1 6 8	10 10 0	50 8 0
Patrick Tenent, gardener, tenent to John Hall, chirurgion, 1½ aikers in Provanside, 4 bolls; one aiker belonging to himself in Provanside 3 bolls; half ane aiker belonging to himself in Broomhill 1 boll; and half aiker belonging to Baillie Stirling in Garngade, 1 boll, ...	9	0 12 4	4 10 0	21 12 0
The tenents of Francis Stevenson, wright, 10 aikers in Provanside,	20	1 7 6	10 0 0	48 0 9
William Luke, merchant, 4 aikers in Gallowmoor, ...	14	0 19 8	7 0 0	33 12 8
William Allan and David Pollok, 1½ aikers in Gallowmoor, ...	4	0 11 4	2 0 0	9 12 0
John Luke of Claythorn, 2½ aikers in Gallowmoor, ...	8	0 10 0	4 0 0	19 4 0
James Bredwood, maltman, tenent to Robert Boyd, 1 aiker in Gallow- moor, ...	3	0 4 2	1 10 0	7 4 0
Thomas Finlay, baxter, formerly Robert Leitch heirs, 2 aikers in Provanside,	4	0 5 2	2 0 0	9 12 0
John Jamison and Issobel Andersone, tenents to George Broom, flesher, 3 roods in Longcraft, ...	3	0 4 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
Robert Luke, merchant, ane aiker in Gallowmoor, ...	3	0 4 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
Robert Tenent, maltman, one aiker in Garngade, ...	2	0 2 4	1 0 0	4 16 0
John Wilson, maltman, 3 aikers in Broomilaw, ...	6	0 7 6	3 0 0	14 8 0
James Mitchell, maltman, 2 aikers in Broomilaw Craft 5 bolls, and as tenent to Robert Aikenheads heirs 1½ aikers in Deansyde 4 bolls, and as tenent to Robert Sempills relict 3 rood in Broomilaw Craft 1½ bolls, and as tenent to John Scott, mer- chant, tobacconist, 1½ aikers in Langcraft 6½ bolls, ...	16½	0 15 0	8 5 0	39 12 0
Patrick Mitchell, maltman, tenent to				



	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
Zacharias Murdochs relict 3 aikers in Pallzion Craft 12 bolls, and as tenant to said John Scott 1 aiker 4½ bolls, is	17	0 14 6	8 10 0	40 16 0
<i>Nota.</i> —Patrick Mitchell should be 16½ bolls, and James Mitchell 17 bolls.				
John Robison, taylor, 3½ aikers in Garngade,	6	0 7 6	3 0 0	14 8 0
John Liddell, wright, 2½ aikers,	5	0 6 0	2 10 0	12 0 0
John Dobbie, carter, 3¼ aikers in Malisons fold,	7	0 9 6	3 10 0	16 16 0
John King, maltman, 2 aikers in Pal- zion Craft,	8	0 10 2	4 0 0	19 4 0
Said John King, as tenant to the Mer- chants House for 3 aikers in St. Enochs Craft,	12½	0 14 6	6 5 0	30 0 0
David Somervel, tenant to the said house, 4 aikers and 3 roods in Broomilaw Craft.	11½	0 17 6	5 15 0	27 12 0
Gilbert Buchanans tenants, 10½ aikers in Provansyde,	23¼	1 7 8	11 12 6	55 16 0
John Reid, maltman, 1 aiker in Pro- vandside,	3	0 4 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
John Pettigrew of Green, 7 acres in Gallowmoor,	15	0 18 0	7 10 0	36 0 0
James Tod, maltman, tenant to Baillie Wallace heirs, 1½ aikers in Gal- lowmoor,	5	0 6 4	2 10 0	12 0 0
William Douglas, merchant, 2½ aikers in Gallowmoor,	4½	0 5 6	2 5 0	10 16 0
Robert Sempills, merchant, his relict 1½ aiker in Garngad,	3	0 4 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
Gavin Hepburn, baxter, 1 aiker in Gallowmoor, liferented be his wife, Francis Stevenson, fiar,	2	0 2 6	1 0 0	4 16 0
Robert Duncan, baxter, 4½ aikers in Garngade,	9	0 11 4	4 10 0	21 12 0
Susanna Burnsyde, relict of John Duncan, flesher, half ane aiker in Gallowmoor,	1½	0 2 0	0 15 0	3 12 0
John Jackson, tenant to John Ballan- tines heirs, ane aiker in Gallowmoor,	2	0 1 6	1 0 0	4 16 0

	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
Stephen Crawford, coppersmith, half a aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	1	0 1 4	0 10 0	2 8 0
John Hall, chirurgeon, 3 aikers in Skelliemuir, ... ..	7	0 9 0	3 10 0	16 16 0
James Anderson, elder, merchant, 2½ aikers in Kinclaith, ... ..	8	0 10 2	4 0 0	19 4 0
William Park, tenent to William Wallace, merchant, 2 aikers in Longcraft, ... ..	4	0 5 2	2 0 0	9 12 0
John Allan, taylor, 2½ aikers in Broom- hill 5½ bolls, and half ane aiker at Broomilaw 1 boll, ... ..	6½	0 8 4	3 5 0	15 12 0
James Watterston, smith, 3 aikers in Garngade, ... ..	6	0 7 6	3 0 0	14 8 0
Comissar Bryssons mother liferentrix and him fiar, 3 aikers in Garngade, The said Comissar Brysson, as tenent to Garnkirk, 6½ aikers in Garn- gade, formerly William Dunlops,	6	0 7 6	3 0 0	14 8 0
William Park for said tenent to James Anderson, maltman in Gorballs, 2 aikers at Swansyett, ... ..	12	1 0 0	6 0 0	28 16 0
John Watterston, smith, ane aiker in Garngade, ... ..	5	0 6 4	2 10 0	12 0 0
John Mitchell, maltman, ane aiker in Longcroft, ... ..	2	0 2 6	1 0 0	4 16 0
Robert Turner, tenent to Baillie Rae, 3 aikers in Kinclaith, ... ..	4	0 5 0	2 0 0	9 12 0
John Luke, Bristol, half ane aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	8	0 10 2	4 0 0	19 4 0
John Craig, land labourer, tenent to Long John Luke, chapman, 2½ aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	1	0 2 0	0 10 0	2 8 0
William Gray, merchant, 2 aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	5	0 6 6	2 10 0	12 0 0
Walter Robb, tenent to Mathew Cuming, 1 aiker in Gallowmoor, ...	4	0 5 2	2 0 0	9 12 0
Walter Boyd, maltman, 2 aikers in Gallowmoor, 4 bolls, 3 roods ther, 1½ boll, 3 roods in Craignestock, 2 bolls, ... ..	3	0 4 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
John Gray, taylor, 3 aikers in Garngade,	7½	0 4 6	3 15 0	18 0 0
	5	0 6 4	2 10 0	12 0 0

	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
John Simpson, merchant, 12 aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	24	1 10 6	12 0 0	57 12 0
John Gibson, portioner of Newtown, for George Muirheids land now John Tods of Haghill, 1½ aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	4½	0 5 2	2 5 0	10 16 0
James Armour, merchant, 1 aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	2	0 4 0	1 0 0	4 16 0
Robert Crawford, tenant to George Horn, ... ..	1	0 2 0	0 10 0	2 8 0
John Gray, merchant, 3 aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	6	0 8 6	3 0 0	14 8 0
Peter Murdoch, merchant, 5 aikers in Gallowmoor belonging to the heirs of John Murdoch, ... ..	10	0 14 0	5 0 0	24 0 0
John Wyllie and David Watson, tenants to William Fausyde, merchant, 1 aiker in Gallowmoor, ...	3	0 4 6	1 10 0	7 4 0
Provest Andersone, twelve aikers in Dowhill his own land, ... ..	25	1 15 2	12 10 0	60 0 0
Baillie John Bryssoun, merchant, 8½ aikers in Gallowmoor and 3 aikers in Garngade, ... ..	30	2 2 2	15 0 0	72 0 0
For the lands following belonging to the Colledge of Glasgow, viz., 7½ aikers in Broomlaw 15½ bolls, possest be John Douglas and James Dalrymple; and half ane aiker there possest be Agnes Steven, 1 boll; item, half ane aiker in Dowhill formerly Comissar Bryssones, possest be James Bredwood, 1 boll; item, that land in Dowhill, which is 16 li. in the rentall of the Barony paroch, but belongs to the Burrow Aikers possest be said Bredwood 6½ bolls; item, Provest Anderson, tenant to the Colledge, and Walter Boyd, sub-tenant to him, 4½ aikers, 5 bolls; item, the miln lands that belonged to Robert Hamilton in Partick formerly 10 li.				

	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
in the Barrony valuation now in the Burrow Aikers somewhat more than the half thereof belongs to the Colledge, 3½ bolls; item, John Wilson, maltman, tenent to the Colledge, for half ane aiker in Provanside or Cribbs, 1 boll; item, that land bought be the Colledge fra Baillie Bouman, 2 aikers in Dowhill and 2½ aikers in Pighouse. 11 bolls; item, that land formerly umquhill Robert Wotherspoons possest be James Braidwood, 3½ bolls, ... ..	46½	2 11 8	23 5 0	111 12 0
Patrick Mitchell, maltman, 3 roods in Palzion Craft, ... ..	3	0 6 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
John Johnstoun in Shettleston, 1 aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	2	0 4 0	1 0 0	4 16 0
Robert Barton, tenent to John Campbell, chirurgion in Greenock, formerly Mr. Hugh Muirs, 1 aiker in Garngade, ... ..	2	0 4 0	1 0 0	4 16 0
James Peacock, tenent to William M'Culloch in Partick, half ane aiker in Garngade, ... ..	1½	0 3 0	0 15 0	3 12 0
Archibald Stirling, writer, 11½ aikers in Garngade, ... ..	28	2 17 0	14 0 0	67 4 0
John Boyd, taylor, tenent to John Boyd, son to Robert Boyd, measson, half ane aiker in Gallowmoor, ...	1	0 2 0	1 0 0	2 8 0
Walter Boyd, tenent to the said John Boyd, 3 aikers ther, ... ..	9	0 17 8	4 10 0	21 12 0
John Black, smith, tenent to George Swan in Gorbals, half ane aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	1½	0 3 0	0 15 0	3 12 0
The said George Swan, factor to quaker John Hall, 1 aiker in Garngade, ... ..	3	0 6 0	1 10 0	7 4 0
John Bryssoun, writer, 2 aikers in Garngade and 1 aiker in Hartfield, ... ..	8	0 11 6	4 0 0	19 4 0
Mary Simpson, relict of George Nivine, 2½ aiker in Garngade, ... ..	7	0 13 8	3 10 0	16 16 0

	Bolls.	Interest. £ s. d.	Grassum. £ s. d.	Teynd. £ s. d.
James Bogle, merchant, 9½ aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	21	2 1 0	10 10 0	50 8 0
William Bryce, writer, 2½ aikers in Gallowmoor, ... ..	7	0 11 8	3 10 0	16 16 0
William Miller, merchant, half ane aiker in Gallowmoor, ... ..	1½	0 4 0	0 15 0	3 12 0
John Cuming, maltman, tenent to Blythswood 3 aikers in Broomilaw; item his own land in Palzion, half ane aiker, 2 bolls, ... ..	8	0 16 6	4 0 0	19 4 0
The new year 5½ aikers, whereof Patrick Mitchell has 9 bolls, Robert Alexander 4½ bolls, and James Stirling, merchant, 3 bolls, ...	16½	1 14 6	8 5 0	39 12 0
Burrowfield in Camlachie, 16 aikers, 26 bolls; and 3½ aikers, 11 bolls; and in Garngad half ane aiker, 1 boll, ... ..	38	4 0 0	19 0 0	91 4 0
Woodsyde, ... ..	4½	0 9 8	2 5 0	10 16 0
James Bell, ... ..	3	0 6 4	1 10 0	7 4 0
Summa of the Charge of Burrow Aikers, ...	803¾	57 2 10	401 17 6	1929 0 0

Item, for expenses of plea, received from some persons that were proceeded against, £22.

Summa of the hail charge extends to, ... ..	£ s. d. 16934 16 8
James Slosse, creditor by payment of money to the toun thesaurers and rests, as follows [here details are inserted]:—Summa of the Discharge extends to, ... ..	16733 0 11
Balance due be James Slosse, ... ..	201 15 9

## III.

ACCOMPT, THE TOUN OF GLASGOW DR. TO FRANCIS STEVENSON,  
WRIGHT.

1703.

			£	s.	d.
Sept.	23—	Imprimis, making a door to the dounmost shop in the weigh-house and puting on a lock on the tolbooth,	1	10	0
Oct.	30—	Item, a seat in the laigh kirk of Mr. Wodrows, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
		Item, 4 daills of my own timber, ... ..	2	0	0
		Item, making and mending of trone feet, ... ..	3	0	0
Nov.	4—	Item, for eiking and mending the tolbooth door and taking down a bed in the dean of gilds hall, ...	2	0	0
	5—	Item, altering and puting up seatis in the Laigh Kirk for Hutchisons poor and other work, 2 men 7½ days the piece, ... ..	10	0	0
		Item, mending a seat to John Allan, be George Hutchisons order, ... ..	0	10	0
	25—	Item, mending the cran a day of 2 men, ... ..	1	6	8
		Item, puting on a lock on the laigh church and other work, ... ..	0	6	8
		Item, mending the wheel of the little bell of the Laigh Kirk, ... ..	0	13	4
Deor.	6—	Item, for sinking a hearth stone, ... ..	0	13	4
	7—	Item, for boxing and schelfing an ambry and mending a chimney piece in the clerks chamber, ... ..	2	0	0
	8—	Item, for tuo ambry doors, puting on of locks and bands and mending of furms in the guard, ... ..	1	10	0
	9—	Item, puting up a press at the barr and opening it within the bar to the clark, ... ..	2	13	4
	20—	Item, linyng the clerks room and schelfing for holding books, 7 days ½ of a man, ... ..	5	0	0
	22—	Item, in the High Church making fast the doors in the vices, 1 man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	22—	Item, dressing John Bowmans and John Govans seat, ...	1	10	0
1704.					
Jany.	4—	Item, taking down the mare and the picket, ... ..	0	6	0
		Item, for work at the cran, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	5—	Item, in the main guard puting in of balls with leid, puting on of locks and mending of furms, ... ..	1	0	0
	12—	Item, making a new door and severall things that were broken in William Wilson, maltman, his house be the Collegians, 2 men 3 days, ... ..	4	0	0

		£	s.	d.
	25—Item, making glass bands to the new kirk, 1 man half a day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, putting on of locks on John M'Ures and William Knox seats and mending therin, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, for a pick to the provost collours and a pair drumsticks my own timber, ... ..	4	0	0
Febry.	3—Item, making a door to the litle steeple of High Church, ... ..	0	18	0
	19—Item, mending the green yeatt and a door at Mark-dailies, ... ..	0	18	0
March	7—Item, mending a seat and a window in the Laigh Kirk, 1 man 1 day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, altering the provosts seat, a man one day, ... ..	0	13	4
April	—Item, 8 men 13 days taking out and puting in the seats and ordering the communion tables in the three kirks, meeting house and new kirk, ... ..	69	6	8
	Item, 13 days of my self and expenses, ... ..	8	13	4
	Item, 3 lb. of candle, ... ..	0	12	0
May	8—Item, mending the lodge in the green, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
June	20—Item, mending the ladders in the Fish Mercat, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, mending of seats in the meeting house, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	23—Item, laying a floor in the old miln of Partick anent the wheells, mending a door and multure ohists, ... ..	2	0	0
July	10—Item, makeing a door and dressing the 2 <sup>d</sup> . seat of the Cellerge loft in the High Kirk, ... ..	1	6	8
	11—Item, for work in a cellar in the Saltmercat, 1 man 1 day $\frac{1}{2}$ , ... ..	1	0	0
Agust	20—Item, for mending of seats in the High and Laigh Kirks, ... ..	1	16	0
Sept.	7—Item, mending the show broads in the High Kirk steeple, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	14—Item, mending the kirkyeard yeatt, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, dressing George Bontines seat in the Laigh Kirk, be George Hutchisons order, ... ..	1	6	8
	21—Item, making a half door to Malcolm Scott at the weigh-house, altering the window brods and cutting the haill door, ... ..	1	6	8
	25—Item, puting up a rail in the buriall place, 3 men 2 days, ... ..	4	0	0
	27—Item, puting up a spout above the weigh house door, making a door and pair of new weight brods, making trone feet and brods, ... ..	8	13	4

			£	s.	d.
Octor.	12—Item, mending the cran, 3 men $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..		1	0	0
	Item, heading the lances, 2 men 12 days, .. ..		16	0	0
	Item, makeing a mortification brod for the Laigh Kirk session, holding 3 mortifications, furnishing timber, glew, naills, &c., ... ..		3	0	0
1705.					
Janry.	13—Item, mending a seat in the Laigh Kirk, 1 man $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..		0	6	8
March	19—Item, mending the bridge at the Old Vennell and New Vennell, ... ..		0	6	8
	Item, 20 patrontashes, ... ..		4	0	0
	Item, for work in the meeting house, ... ..		28	13	4
Apr.	12—Item, eiking a door to Walter Colqhouns seat in the meeting house, 1 man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..		0	6	8
	23—Item, setting up the tables in the Synod in the High Kirk, mending seats, ... ..		0	6	8
	26—Item, 2 men $\frac{1}{2}$ a day mending the cran, ... ..		0	13	4
	27—Item, mending a seat in the Laigh Kirk, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..		0	6	8
May	13—Item, 8 men 13 days taking out and puting in the seats and setting the communion tables in the kirks, ... ..		69	6	8
	Item, myself, 13 days and expenses, ... ..		8	13	4
	19—Item, mending the centry box at the Green yeatt, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..		0	6	8
June	1—Item, mending the dry stool heads in the tolbooth, ... ..		0	6	8
	Item, a new side to the wheelbarrow and an axill tree to the same, ... ..		0	6	8
July	9—Item, mending a windles to the Green and making a new standart, ... ..		1	6	8
Agust	16—Item, making a new box for holding the communion cups, lyning the same, and other work, 3 men 2 days, ... ..		4	0	0
	24—Item, mending the cran at the Broomilaw, 2 men a day, ... ..		1	6	8
	29—Item, altering a seat to William Arbuckle, making a new door and mending 4 seats in the meeting-house, a man 1 day $\frac{1}{2}$ , ... ..		1	0	0
Sept.	3—Item, puting a new spindle in the cran, 2 men $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..		0	13	4
	Item, making of trone feet and mending old ones, 2 men 1 day, ... ..		1	6	8
	Item, fastening the benches and feet in the tolbooth hall, ... ..		0	6	8
	Item, fastening the windows of the guard and other work there, ... ..		0	13	4
	Item, making a sluice to a new miln, 2 men $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..		0	13	4
Octor.	5—Item, for work in the new kirk in the councill seat, ... ..		0	13	4



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		£	s.	d.
	5—Item, for doors and folding brods in the soldiers loft in the Laigh Kirk, ... ..	0	13	4
Novr.	5—Item, puting up a partition in the stent chamber, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	20—Item, lyning the window in the stent chamber and altering the table, ... ..	1	0	0
	27—Item, making four window brods at subdean miln, a man 3½ days, ... ..	2	6	8
	Item, mending forms and benches in the guard, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, dressing doctor Thomsons seat in the Laigh Kirk, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, for work in the stent chamber, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, puting in a case and drawing casements in the stent chamber, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, puting about a rale in the ministers isle, 3 men 2 days, ... ..	4	0	0
	Item, making of trone feet and a spout above the weighhouse door, 1 man 2 days, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, helping up a scaffold for puting in a stone in the High Kirk, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
Decemr.	—Item, a man half a day at the cran, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, a day of 2 men puting up a scaffold at the High Kirk door, puting in the stone and taking it down and puting it up to the painter, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, mending the herds house, making a door and mending the Green yeatt next the Gallowgate, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
1706.				
Febry.	12—Item, putting on a lock on the trone steeple and mending the pantry there, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, puting up three stoobbs of my own timber for the new buckets, ... ..	2	0	0
	21—Item, puting up forms in the hospitall for the examination, ... ..	1	6	8
March	1—Item, fixing the bigg bell in the trone steeple, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	11—Item, puting in tuo wod trees in the trone steeple, 1 man 3½ days, ... ..	2	6	8
	Item, Robert Lambart and John Smith at the work, 2½ days, ... ..	3	6	8
	Item, a hand barrow for the use of the Gramar School, ... ..	1	0	0
	Item, mending the gavell of the meeting house and seats, ... ..	1	6	8

		£	s.	d.
	Item, mending Marion Hunters door be B. Dickies order,	0	13	4
April	13—Item, hanging doors and mending seats in the meeting house, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, mending the Green yeatt, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, dressing provost Montgomeries seat, ... ..	4	6	8
	Item, lighting the councill seat in the meeting house, ...	3	6	8
	Item, making a seat in the Laigh Kirk for provost Montgomries servantts, ... ..	4	6	8
	Item, at the Saltmercat well, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, a door making to Port Glasgow, ... ..	1	10	0
	Item, mending the bridge at the foot of the Old Vennall,	0	13	4
	Item, making a mortification brodd to the session house, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, boxing a window in the clerks chamber, shelfing it and a bund door therto and covering the lettron,	4	0	0
	Item, puting up a window in the high prison house and making a brod to it, 5 days of man, ... ..	3	6	8
	Item, in the High Kirk, making of ladders and mending doors in the vices, 2 days of a man, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, fixing the litle bell on the shaffe in the trone steeple, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, in the second prison house making tuo pairs of brods, mending the old window and a new casement to the trone kirk, a man 3 days, ... ..	2	0	0
May	—Item, puting on a lock on the Trone Church and mending a seat, $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, puting in a stone for the windles of the Green, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, puting up a scaffold in the tolbooth, serving the meassons, taking out the case of the window and puting in a new sole, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, mending the cran, mending the floor of the tolbooth and ane window, and taking of dails for the touns use, a man 4 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	26—Item, lifting the seats and setting the communion tables and puting in the seats again in the kirks, ...	69	6	8
	Item, 13 days of my self and expenses, ... ..	8	13	4
June	17—Item, at the walls, tuo men tuo days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, making a door to Mr. Millers coalhouse at Port Glasgow, 2 days, ... ..	1	6	8
Agust	17—Item, cleeding the roller of the chims, 2 men $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, ...	3	6	8
Novr.	27—Item, raftering tuo dails for the guard, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ...	0	6	8
Decr.	8—Item, making trone feet in the Fishmercat, 2 men $1\frac{1}{2}$ days, ... ..	2	0	0

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		£	s.	d.
	16—Item, staking the fish and flesh mercat and weigh house, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, puting a daill on the leed spout of the tolbooth,...	0	13	4
	Item, mending the floors in the merchants steeple and hanging pillaes to bell, tuo men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
1707.				
Jany.	20—Item, mending the Blackfreer Kirk yeatt, 2 men $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	0	13	4
	27—Item, altering the bottom of the new kirk pulpit, $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	0	6	8
	29—Item, making a door to the councill seat in the meeting house with a folding brod with locks and bands, ... ..	1	6	8
Febry.	3—Item, puting out a scaffold in the tolbooth, Andrew Rowand and Robert Reid, ... ..	2	0	0
	4—Item, making a door, warping and cleeding the same, in the Outer Kirk in the Gramar School loft stair, ... ..	3	6	8
	7—Item, altering and fastening the stock of the High Kirk bell, ... ..	4	6	8
	15—Item, mending a case, puting in a new sole in the tolbooth, ... ..	0	13	4
March	14—Item, puting on a folding brod on Thomas M'Allays seat in the Outer Kirk, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, puting the same in Thomas Gilchrists seat, mending a foot gan in the Laigh Kirk, $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, making a new wheell barrow, ... ..	1	10	0
	12—Item, puting up of new seats in the meeting house, a man 13 days, ... ..	8	13	4
	Item, puting a book brod in James Wotherspons seat in the Laigh Kirk and puting on iron work on the wheell barrow, ... ..	0	13	4
Apl.	12—Item, mending a pass door and other seats, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, puting a new foot to the stocks, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, puting a bracebrod in the Excise Chamber, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, mending the herds house and the Green yeatt, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, mending the centry box in the Green, a man a day,	0	13	4
	Item, mending seats in the Trone Church, a man a day,	0	13	4
	Item, mending tuo seats be Adam Nisbetts order and making 3 wair frames to James Lochheid, a man a day $\frac{1}{2}$ , ... ..	1	0	0
	Item, puting up a porch to Scotstouns seat door, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
June	15—Item, taking out and puting in the seats, setting the communion tables in the 3 kirks, meeting house and new kirk, 8 men 13 days, ... ..	69	6	8

		£	s.	d.
	Item, 13 days of my self and expenses, ... ..	8	0	0
	Item, at the high loft in the weighhouse, 2 men a day, ...	1	6	8
July	25—Item, in the guard, making and mending of windows, putting a new leaff on the table, mending the ambrys, puting up of benches and furms, a man 7½ days, ... ..	5	0	0
	Item, in the tolbooth, mending the windows and door, making glass bands and puting a bed in Mr. Murrays room, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, mending James Robertsons and widow Brocks ladders, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, mending William Marshalls ladders, ½ a day, ...	0	6	8
	Item, in the meeting house, tuo new cheeks to a window, 2 wair frames, making of glass bands and mending seats, a man 1½ days, ... ..	1	0	0
	Item, puting in of crooks in the back yeatt of the land mercat and mending, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, making a mortification brodd to the session house, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	29—Item, making a large mortification brod to the session house of 3 divisions and furnishing naills to plant on the rolls, a man a day, ... ..	1	0	0
	31—Item, cledding the rolls of the brace, a man a day, ...	0	13	4
Sept.	13—Item, mending the laft floor of the teynd barn, a man ½ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, making up the souldiers mare and a new centry box, a man 4 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, making 12 bucket moulds, furnishing ash for 4 of them and 8 of the touns timber, ... ..	4	0	0
Novr.	3—Item, at the High Kirk, bells when the pendlum was put to the clock, ... ..	1	0	0
	13—Item, making ready six trees for hinging the buckets, nailling up the cheeks, puting in a batt for slott of the broad stairhead door, mending the foot of that door and the door of the well without the Gallowgate port, 2 men six days, ... ..	8	0	0
	17—Item, at the chimney vent in the guard, 2 men 2 days,	2	13	4
	20—Item, in the Laigh Kirk, dressing Andrew Cathcarts seat and other seat, ... ..	0	13	4
Decemr.	25—Item, at the tolbooth making broads for the inside of the prison windows for the first, 2d. and 3d. stories, viz., James and John Reids at the said work, 31½ days, ... ..	21	0	0

		£	s.	d.
	Item, altering the stair foot door and puting it tuo steps higher, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, propting a joist at the clock, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, altering the weigh house door and cutting 3 inches of the foot, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, mending the gavell of the meeting house, ...	1	6	8
	Item, mending tuo of the Green yeatts, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, furnished one syde of sawn deall for mending the benches in the courthall, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, furnishd a sawn deall to the weigh house lum and making, ... ..	1	10	0
	Item, a whole dale to the meeting house and sawing thereof, ... ..	0	16	0
1708.				
Jary.	5—Item, mending doctur Patons seat in the Laigh Kirk and puting a foot gang in James M'Dougalls seat in the Outer Kirk, ... ..	0	13	4
	20—Item, puting on locks on the prison room windows and mending the cran, 3 men a day, ... ..	2	0	0
Feb.	6—Item, nailling on the iron work on these windows brods in the tolbooth, put in cross barrs in the same and making a mortification brodd to doctur Kennedies son, a man 6 days, ... ..	4	0	0
March	2—Item, nailling on the iron work on the windles of the Green, making glass bands to James Lochheid to Port Glasgow, 1 man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	18—Item, rounding, blocking and turning 11 pair of drumsticks, ... ..	3	6	0
	Item, mending of ladders in the fish mercat, making a new furn to the Laigh Kirk, mending seats there and in the Wynd, 8 days, ... ..	5	6	8
May	8—Item, making 4 mortification brods of their own timber, ... ..	4	0	0
June	20—Item, taking out and putting in the seats, setting the communion tables in the haill kirks, 8 men 13 days, ... ..	69	6	8
	Item, 13 days of my self and expenses, ... ..	8	13	4
Agust	17—Item, mending the Green yeatt and puting a cross barr thereon, ... ..	0	13	4
	28—Item, taking down the New Kirk bell, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ...	0	6	8
	Item, propting John Bryssons cellar, 3 men a day, ...	2	0	0
	Item, mending the Flesh mercat yeatt, a man 2 days, ...	1	6	8
Sept.	20—Item, making the shaffes to the Bishopbridges, a man 3 days, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, altering the benches in the court hall, a man 16 days and a half, ... ..	12	6	8

		£	s.	d.
	Item, covering the table in the court hall and the little table, a day, ... ..	0	13	4
Octor.	12—Item, making a ladder to the court hall for hanging the sconces, 2 steps of a stair to the macer, a man 2 days, ... ..	1	6	8
	28—Item, mending a pass door at the end of the counceill seat in the Laigh Kirk and puting a lock on the same, $\frac{1}{2}$ a day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, for taking down the trees and buckets out of the inner court, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, mending seats in the meeting house and puting in footrods, ... ..	1	0	0
	Item, making of trone feet and brods in the Fish mercat, a man $5\frac{1}{2}$ days, ... ..	3	13	4
	Item, puting up a spout and mending seats in the Laigh Kirk, 2 men, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, puting up a scaffold in the tolbooth for the dyall, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, opening the boxes of gunns and closing them, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, putting up tuo large pictures in the counceill house, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, at the West Port well, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, making of shaffes to the Vennell foot bridge, setting the same, 3 days, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, mending a pass door and another door in the Trone Kirk and making a half door to the weigh house, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, in the meeting house, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, altering Mr. Grays seat in the Wynd, taking down the trees in the tolbooth and hinging the buckets with nailla, a man 5 days, ... ..	3	6	8
	Item, making tuo brods to the great stair of the Bridgegate steeple, ... ..	1	16	0
1709.				
Janry.	10—Item, cutting out of hatch doors, brydling joists and other work in the kirk, tuo men 6 days, ... ..	8	0	0
	Item, making a window brod to subdeans miln, $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, hanging the new kirk bell, 4 men a day, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, making a mortification brod of your own timber, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, cutting Glenlies mortification brodd and Mr. Crawfords, making it larger for his wifes name, and planting it new, ... ..	1	0	0

		£	s.	d.
	23—Item, mending the Grammar School windows, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
Febry.	10—Item, taking off the roof the West Port well, making a new frame, cleeding it with new dealls, new doors, roofing and sarking the same new again, 3 men 16 days, ... ..	32	0	0
	Item, mending the seats in the meeting house, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	20—Item, puting up of seats for examination in Hutchisons hall, ... ..	1	6	8
Apr.	5—Item, turring and sarking tuo angles in the meallmercat, 2 days 2 men, ... ..	2	13	4
May	5—Item, roofing and sarking the herds house and making a new door to it, ... ..	20	0	0
June	1—Item, in the pultry mercat, a man 2½ days, ... ..	1	13	4
July	9—Item, making a malt chist and a new door, mending the loft floor and the bigg door in new miln, 2 men 6 days, ... ..	8	0	0
	Item, altering the court hall, 4 men 6 days the piece, ...	16	0	0
	17—Item, taking out and puting in the seats and setting the communion tables in the three kirks, meeting house and new kirk, 8 men 13 days the piece, ...	69	6	8
	Item, 13 days of myself and expenses, ... ..	8	13	4
Sept.	22—Item, making the new cran, John Cross being payd be the master of work and Rowand and John Paterson, 26½ days, ... ..	35	6	8
	Item, making tuo window brods in the weighhouse and dressing seats in the Wynd, ... ..	2	13	4
Octor.	9—Item, mending the new kirk yeatt, a man ½ day, ...	0	6	8
	20—Item, at the hall of Provand, making five pair of bund brods, cleeding four storm windows, making brods to the same and other work, 2 men 10 days, ...	13	6	8
Novr.	1—Item, making a door to the laigh steeple in the high kirk, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, making five timber tirlies to the Provand, a man 5 days, ... ..	3	6	8
	21—Item, making triangles and brods for weighing the dragoons forage, 2 men 1½ days, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, mending the gavell and seats in the meeting house, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, mending the cran, tuo men half a day, ... ..	0	13	4
1710.				
Jary.	17—Item, iron rod on the cran for counter ballance and racking thereof, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4

		£	s.	d.
Feb.	20—Item, lifting out and puting in the seats, setting the communion tables in the hail kirks, 8 men 10 days, ... ..	53	6	8
	Item, 5 pund of candle, ... ..	1	0	0
	Item, altering the Outer and Inner Kirks, making up of 30 new seats and forms for the kirks that they be not altered at the comunions, and other work, 8 men 23 days the piece, ... ..	122	13	4
	Item, mending a torret in the tolbooth and puting a lock on it, $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
March	—Item, mending of doors in the tolbooth and puting in a case in a window, 2 men, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, mending the seyloring of the High Kirk, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
Apr.	2—Item, numbering of seats in the tuo High Kirks, puting on locks, 2 men 3 days, ... ..	4	0	0
May	2—Item, making of wair frames to the meeting house and puting in a foot brod in a seat in the High Kirk, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, scaffaling for the dyall plates of the tolbooth steeple, serving the painter in making of rules and strikeing the scaffold, ... ..	24	0	0
	Item, for work at the chimms, boreing the barrell and mending the stair, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, mending seats in the Laigh Kirk, tuo men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, mending of seats in the meeting house, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
June	10—Item, mending baillie Bowmans and Mr. Clarks seats, a man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, ... ..	0	6	8
	Item, making one pair of windles to the Green, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
July	16—Item, mending the Provand seat in the Barrony Kirk, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, mending holes of the lofts and dressing seats in the meeting house, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
	Item, mending of seats in the High Kirk, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
Agust	9—Item, making a yeatt to the Wynd barn yeard, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, making six large wair frames to the new kirk, a man 3 days, ... ..	2	0	0
Novr.	2—Item, lifting the seats at the communion and other work at the kirks, 8 men 7 days, ... ..	37	6	8
	Item, mending a seat for the meeting house and the collection stools dressing, ... ..	0	13	4



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		£	s.	d.
Decr.	4—Item, making 4 doors to the wells, mending the old ones, puting in of breast trees throw the wells and other work, tuo men 6 days, ... ..	8	0	0
	Item, puting in of pannells in the casements, making the new cases to the closets of the kings room, six window brods to the torret windows and other work about the tolbooth, ... ..	12	0	0
1711.				
Janry.	30—Item, puting a door and a folding brodd on the face of the college loft in the Inner Kirk, 2 men a day and a half, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, puting a daill breadth on the breast of Garnkirks and John Bryssons seat and other work in the Inner Kirk, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, mending of seats in the Laigh Kirk and meeting house, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, puting up a barr in the Exoise office, ... ..	2	0	0
Febry.	13—Item, mending the new kirk gate, 2 men 5½ days, ... ..	7	6	8
	Item, puting up the mare at 2 times, flooring and putting 2 feet to centry box, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, making a new form to the guard, mending the old one, puting up tuo daill breadths of sayloring, mending the benches, 2 men 1½ days, ... ..	2	0	0
	Item, taking down the High Kirk dyall plate and taking daills, ... ..	2	0	0
March	21—Item, puting up a seat to the midwives in the new kirk, 2 men 3 days, ... ..	4	0	0
	Item, eiking the large yeatt of the Green, making a new gate where the clark sitts and another little door to the Green, 2 men 7½ days, ... ..	10	0	0
	Item, making a large mortification broad of my own timber, 3 divisions, ... ..	3	0	0
	Item, puting up the High Kirk dyall plate and cleeding about it, ... ..	5	0	0
	Item, altering the benches of the courthall, 2 men 6 days, ... ..	12	0	0
	Item, making 6 long furms to the Laigh Kirk and mending seats, 2 men 5 days, ... ..	6	13	4
	Item, making of a sentry box, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, puting up a raill at the back gallery door and a new door, ... ..	4	0	0
Apr.	27—Item, lifting of seats at the communion and setting the tables, 8 men 7 days, ... ..	37	6	8

		£	s.	d.
	Item, 3 pund of candle, ... ..	0	12	0
	Item, puting up of new seats in meeting house, 4 men 9 days, ... ..	24	0	0
	Item, making a double door to the thiefs hole, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, dressing seats in the new kirk, a man a day, ...	0	13	4
May	29—Item, dressing Sir Donald M'Donalds seat in the Laigh Kirk, stuffing and lynning the same, 2 men 3½ days,	4	13	4
June	16—Item, wadging the cran and racking the same, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, puting on iron plates on the cran with siren naills, 2 men 2½ days, ... ..	3	6	8
	Item, mending seats in the Laigh Kirk, a man a day, ...	0	13	4
July	18—Item, at the canale cutting of cabers, sharpening them at the end, dryving the same, making up breasts, &c., 2 men 8 days, ... ..	10	13	4
	Item, making of four wheel barrows, nalling the iron work and making of turnells to them, 2 men 6 days,	8	0	0
	29—Item, eiking the soldiers hole door which was burnt throw, and mending the meall girnells, 2 men a day,	1	6	8
	Item, making 5 new ladders, 2 men 9 days, ... ..	12	0	0
	Item, mending and stepping old ladders, tuo men 3 days,	4	0	0
	Item, making of brods and trone feet to the weighouse, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
	Item, mending the foreyeatt of the Mutton Merkat, taking out an old breadth, puting in a new and eiking the foot of it, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
	Item, puting in a wod three in John Bryssons cellar, propping the same under the girnells, 4 men 2 days,	5	6	8
Sept.	21—Item, at the customhouse, jeasting, roofing, flooring, doors, windows, cases and brods making, 2 men 20 days, ... ..	26	13	4
	Item, making a new nutt and brods and altering the tobacco press in the weigh house, 2 men 2 days, ...	2	13	4
	Item, mending of seats in the High Kirk, a man a day,	0	13	4
Novr.	21—Item, making two window brods to the toun miln, a man 1½ days, ... ..	1	0	0
	Item, mending the back door of the Mutton Mercat, a man a day, ... ..	0	13	4
Decer.	13—Item, stobbing beneath two bridges in the Green and mending seats in the meeting house, 2 men 2 days,	2	13	4
	Item, making tuo chase windows to Portglasgow, ...	12	0	0
	Item, for glew and naills, ... ..	0	14	0

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	£	s.	d.
Item, making a new form to the guards, mending tuo old ones, ... ..	1	0	0
1712.			
Janry. —Item, puting up the picket and mending a bench in the guard, ... ..	0	13	4
Item, altering the door of the midwives seat and a new door in the Blackfrier Kirk, ... ..	0	13	4
Item, cleeding the breasts of the well at the Cross, Saltmercat, Stockwell and Tronegate wells, 2 men 2 days, ... ..	2	13	4
Item, mending of seats in the meeting house, $\frac{1}{2}$ day of a man, ... ..	0	6	8
Item, at the tolbooth, puting in of new soles in the windows at the Kings Hall, puting on of watter barges, making of brodds and mending the floors, tuo men $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, ... ..	3	6	8
Item, making of window brods to the trone steeple and fastening the stock of the bell, 2 men $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, ...	3	6	8
Item, making a scaffold and putting in a new tree for carrying the buckets of the Saltmercat well, 2 men a day, ... ..	1	6	8
Febry. 28—Item, at the communion, taking out and puting in the seats throw the kirks, puting up a new seat in the meeting house, and dressing other seats, highting John Tods seat in the High Kirk, and other work throw the kirks, 8 men 7 days, ...	37	6	8

ABBREVIAT of Francis Stevensons Accompt above writen, due be the toun to him and of what he is owing to the toun, viz. :—

## THE TOUN OF GLASGOW DEBTOR TO FRANCIS STEVENSON, WRIGHT.

1703—To wright work, &c., as per accompt, ... ..	38	0	0
1704—To work said year, ... ..	138	3	4
1705—To work said year, ... ..	143	0	0
1706—To work said year, ... ..	142	2	4
1707—To work said year, ... ..	170	2	8
1708—To work said year, ... ..	137	15	4
1709—To work said year, ... ..	236	0	0
1710—To work said year, ... ..	290	6	8
1711—To work said year, ... ..	239	6	0
1712—To work before March the said year, ... ..	49	13	4
	<u>1,584</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>

£ s. d.

## PER CONTRA CREDITOR.

Per stent due be Francis Stevenson at Martimes, 1701, and burrow missive dues, July, 1701, to Francis Wark, collector, per Councill book, 1702 to 1708, page 72, ...	23	3	0
Per stent due be him at Martimes, 1703, and Candlemas, 1704, John Penman, collector, per said Councill book, page 303, ...	66	17	0
Per stent at Whitsunday and September, 1704, Candlemas and Whitsunday, 1705, to James Kelburn, collector, as per said book, page 346, ...	76	2	6
Per stent Martimas, 1705, Candlemas and Lambas, 1706, to James Kelburn, collector, per said book, page 428, ...	67	10	4
Per stent Martimes, 1706, Candlemas, Whitsunday, Lambas and Martimes, 1707, and Candlemas, 1708, to James Kelburn, per Councill book frae 1708, page 121, ...	88	6	8
Per stent Whitsunday and Lambas, 1708, to John Penman, per said book, page 121, ...	38	15	0
Per stent Martimas, 1708, and Candlemas, 1709, per said book, page 167, ...	48	7	6
Per stent Whitsunday and Lambas, 1709, per said book, 183 page, ...	42	3	0
Per stent Whitsunday and Lambas, 1710, to John Gray, ...	40	3	0
Per stent Martimas, 1710, Candlemas, Whitsunday and Lambas, 1711, to John Gray, collector, ...	40	0	0
Per stent Martimas, 1711, and Candlemas, 1712, to John Gray, ...	27	19	0
	559	6	10
Deducing from their stents 255 : 17 : 2 paid to Thomas Thomson and charged in his treasurer accompt, ...	255	17	2
So rests of stents yet due be Francis Stevenson, ...	...	...	303 9 8
A note due be him as in Robert Alexanders, treasurer, accompt, ...	...	...	144 2 0
Balance due to Francis Stevenson, in full of his accompt, which William Gow is to pay him, per act this 19 June, 1712, ...	...	...	1,136 18 0
			<u>1,584 9 8</u>

## IV.

AN ACT for the continuing the Duty of Two Pennies Scots, or One-sixth of a Penny Sterling, on every Pint of Ale and Beer that shall be vended or sold within the city of Glasgow, and privileges thereof, for the Benefit of the said City. [2 George I.; A.D. 1716. *Antea*, pp. 580-2.]

Whereas the preserving and encouraging the cities and boroughs, eminent by their situation and usefulness in trade and manufactures, has been at all times, and in all kingdoms and states, the care of the Legislators, more especially in Great Britain:

And whereas the city of Glasgow, being a place distinguished for these advantages, but yet more considerable for their loyalty and zeal for the reformed religion, constitution, and liberty of the people, whereof, on all proper occasions, that city has given undeniable proofs; more particularly by furnishing, at the charge of the inhabitants, considerable numbers of men, well armed and disciplined, not only for defence of that city, but even for the support and defence of the government in other places since the revolution, on diverse very remarkable occasions, and lately, in a most cordial and cheerful manner, in opposition to the most unjustifiable rebellion, begun and carried on by a Popish pretender to the crowns and dominions of His most Excellent Majesty:

And whereas the yearly revenues or common good of the said city are scarce sufficient for the annual necessary charge of the government of so great, populous, and useful a place, much less for payment of the debts of that corporation, which have lately been greatly increased by very considerable sums laid out for furnishing a battalion of foot to serve at Sterling, and for putting themselves into a posture of defence against the above-mentioned rebels and traitors:

And whereas Their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, and Her late Majesty Queen Anne, and the estates of the Parliament of Scotland, did, in consideration of their signal loyalty at the revolution, and during the reigns of the said Princes, and towards enabling them to pay their debts, beautify their town, and improve trade there, by two acts, severally passed in the Parliaments held in Scotland in the years one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, and one thousand seven hundred and five, grant and continue to the said city the duties after mentioned, *viz.*: An imposition of two pennies Scots (over and above the duties then payable to the Crown) upon each pint of ale and beer to be brewed, inbrought, vended, tapped, and sold within the said city, and other places therein mentioned, to continue for the space of sixteen years, from and after the first day of November, one thousand seven hundred and six years, for the uses, and under the burdens and regulations therein also expressed; which number of years is now near expired, though the causes of the said grants remain, and are rather greater:

To the end therefore that the said city of Glasgow may be enabled to pursue the ends and uses expressed in this and the former grants above mentioned, and

that the said city, and others, seeing that just encouragement is provided as a reward of duty and loyalty, while the merit of laudable service is fresh in memory, may be excited by their example to adhere steadfastly and cheerfully to His Majesty's royal person, and to the succession as by law established; be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, That such and the like rates, duties, and impositions, as by the said act, passed in the Parliament of Scotland upon the fifteenth day of June, one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, and continued by another act of the Parliament held in Scotland upon the twenty-first of September, one thousand seven hundred and five years, upon each Scots pint of ale and beer, to be either brewed or brought in, vended, tapped, and sold, within the said city, liberties, and suburbs thereof, (excepting ale and beer that shall be brewed and vended in the Gorbals, or any other lands within the said city's privileges that are taxed to the publick within the shire,) shall be further continued, and be paid and payable to the Magistrates and Town Council of the said city of Glasgow, and their successors in office, for their use and behoof; and that, from and after the expiration of the years contained in the above-mentioned act, passed in the Parliament of Scotland upon the said twenty-first day of September, one thousand seven hundred and five, until the first day of November, which shall be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight, the said two former acts severally passed in the Parliaments of Scotland, in the years one thousand six hundred and ninety-three, and one thousand seven hundred and five, and every clause, article, and sentence in them, or any of them contained, now being in force, shall be, and are, by virtue of this act, revived and continued, and shall be in force, and be duly put in execution, for and during all such term and time as is before mentioned, as fully and effectually as if the same were particularly repeated and re-enacted in the body of this present act, with the alterations following only, *viz.*: That whereas the late deceased James duke of Hamilton, and also John Walkinshaw of Barrowfield, were appointed overseers of the said duties granted, and managers thereof; be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in the place of the said James duke of Hamilton, and John Walkinshaw of Barrowfield, John duke of Argyll, Sir James Campbell of Ardkinlas, Daniel Campbell of Shawfield, and Henry Cunningham of Boquhan, Esqrs. shall be, and they are hereby appointed overseers.

Provided also, and it is further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if it shall happen so many of the overseers shall die as there shall not remain a *Quorum*, yet this, and the former acts hereby continued, as to all other clauses, articles, and sentences, shall be and continue in full force.

And lastly, Whereas the building of a key upon the river of Clyde, at the said city of Glasgow, from the place commonly called *the Broomielaw*, to a place called *Docket Green*, would greatly improve the navigation of the said river of Clyde, and be a conveniency in loading and unloading of goods; be it therefore also enacted by the authority aforesaid, That out of the monies arising by the

said impositions, the Magistrates of the said city of Glasgow, and their successors in office, shall be, and they are hereby impowered and required to advance such sum or sums as shall be judged necessary by the Merchant and Trades Houses of the said city of Glasgow, for building the said key, from the said place commonly called *the Broomielaw*, to the said place called *Ducket Green*.

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V.

CONTRACT between the Magistrates and Council of Glasgow and Donald Conynghame of Aikinbar and Marion Lyoune, his spouse, whereby the latter disposed to the former the chapel and house called St. Mungo's Chaplainry, with the kirkyard and pertinents. Glasgow, 10 May, 1593.<sup>1</sup>

At Glasgw the tent day of Maij the yeir of God j<sup>m</sup> v<sup>c</sup> fourscoir threttein yeiris. It is appoyntit, aggreit and finallie endit betuix thir pairteis underwrittin, thay ar to say, Sir Mathow Steward of Mynto, knicht, provest, Robert Chirneside and Johnne Steward, baillies, for thame and the counsall of Glasgw, on the ane pairt, Donald Conynghame of Aikinbar and Marioune Lyoune, his spous, on the uthir pairt, in maner following: Forsamekill as the saidis Donald and Marioun, spoussis, haveand pertening to thame heretablelie, be dispositioun and deceis of unquhile Archibald Lyoune, father to the said Marioun, all and hail the Chapell and hous callit St. Mungois Chaiplarie, with kirk yaird and pertinentis thairrof, lyand in the eist syde of the toun of Glasgw, beyond the Gallowgait brig, betuix the landis of Dowhill on the north and the hie streit on the eist pairtis, quhilk kirk and yaird and said unquhile Archibald obtenit to be haldin in few of befoir, hes with ane consent sauld, dispoit, renuncit, transferit and ovirgevin, as be the tennour heirop, sellis, disponis, renuncis, transferis and overgevis, fra thame, thair airis and assignais, simpliciter, all and hail the said hous and chaipell, kirkyairde and pertinentis of the samyn to the saidis provest, baillies, counsall and communitie of the said citie of Glasgw, present, and thair successouris in all tymes cuming, to the effect that the samyn chaipell, hous and yaird may be stand and convertit into ane hospitall for the puir to be foundit be the saidis provest, baillies and counsell and to na uther use in all tymes cuming. And for mair securitie of the said touneschip the saidis Donald and Marioune, spoussis, obleissis thame and thair foirsaidis to infest dewlie be thair resignatioun, in ane of the handis of the baillies of Glasgw, or onie uther superiour thairrof, the thesaurer of the said toun of Glasgw, present, in name and behalf of the saidis provest, baillies, counsall and communitie, and of the

<sup>1</sup> An abstract of this Charter Contract is p. 454, No. 105. See also Glasgow Memorials, given in Glasgow Charters, vol. I., pt. ii., pp. 236-8.

puir that happinnis to remane thairinto, in dew and competent forme as effeiris, within xxiiij houris nixttocum. And als the said Donald and Marioun, spoussis, obleissis thame to delyvir to the saidis provest, baillies and counsall the few chartour, with seasing of the said umquhile Archibald, and thair awin seasing past thairupone, and all uther evidentis that thay have concerning the samyn, to be keipit and usit be the said tounschip as thair auin proper, in all tymes cuming. And also obleissis thame to warrand the samyn undisponit, renuncit or ovingevin to onie uther persoun or persounis befor the dait heirop be thame, at all handis havand entres. For the quhilkis premissis done and to be done in maner foirsaid the saidis Donald and Marioun, spoussis, grantis thame to have presentlie receavit actualle in numerat money fra the saidis provest, baillies and counsall the sowme of twa hundrith merkis money usuall of this realme; of the quhilk thay hald thame weill content, assyithit and payit, and thairfor, for thame, thair airis, executouris and assignayis, exoneris, quitclamis and dischargis the saidis provest, baillies and counsell thairfor for now and evir. And als the said Donald and Marioun, spoussis, sellis and disponis to the saidis tounschip all and hail the treis baith growand and cuttit about and in the samyn to be instantlie intronettit with be the saidis provest, baillies and counsall to the use of the said kirk. And farder the saidis provest, baillies and counsall grantis to the said Donald and his spous twa lauchfull and sufficient persounis to be admittit fre burgessis of the said citie at thair requiest. And for observing heirop ather of the saidis pairteis ar content and consentis that thir presentis be insert and registrat in the commissaris buikis of Glasgow gif neid beis thair to have the strenth of ane act and decreit of his court with executoriallis of hornyng and poynding to pas thairupon in forme as effeiris. In witness heirop ather of the saidis pairteis hes subscrivit thir presentis, at day, yeir and place foirsaid, befor thir witnessis, maister David Wemis, minister of Glasgow, James Forret of Burrowfeild, Gabriell Corbat of Hardgraif, Niniane Andirsoune of Wodsyd, William Youngar in Partick, James Andirsoune and Stene Seller, officeris, and Robert Herbertsoun, writter heirop, with utheris divers. And als the provest, baillies and counsall ordanis thame nocht to alter the Conynghames armis of the said kirk presentlie thairupone, in all tymes cuming, sa lang as the wall standis.

[Subscribed:] DONALD CUNYNGHAME, *off Aikinbar.*

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## VI.

LIST OF MINISTERS IN GLASGOW, FROM 1707 TILL 1717.<sup>1</sup>

## INNER HIGH CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 14, James Brown.  
1714 - 7 (*et seq.*), George Campbell.

## TRON CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 17 (*et seq.*), James Clark.

## COLLEGIATE CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 11, Alexander Main.

## BLACKFRIARS OR COLLEGE CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 9, John M'Bride.  
1713 - 7 (*et seq.*), John Hamilton.

## OUTER HIGH CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 12, Alexander Hastie.  
1713 - 7 (*et seq.*), John Scott.

## THE WYND CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 17 (*et seq.*), John Gray.

## THE BARONY CHURCH.

1707 (*continued*) - 17 (*et seq.*), James Stirling.

<sup>1</sup> This list is a continuation of that printed in Glasgow Charters, vol. II., pp. 631-2. Fuller particulars regarding the ministers and the periods of their ministry will be found in Rev. Hew Scott's "Fasti Ecclesiae Scoticanæ."

## VII.

## LIST OF THE PROVOSTS OF GLASGOW, FROM 1708 TILL 1717.

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1708 - 9	Robert Rodger,	-	-	-	-	<i>Glasgow Records</i> , IV.,	p. 433.
1709 - 10	John Aird,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 445.
1710 - 1	John Aird,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 453.
1711 - 2	Robert Rodger,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 461.
1712 - 3	Robert Rodger,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 486.
1713 - 4	John Aird,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 509.
1714 - 5	John Aird,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 526.
1715 - 6	John Bowman,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 545.
1716 - 7	John Bowman,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 605.
1717 - 8	John Aird,	-	-	-	-	<i>Ibid.</i> ,	p. 627.

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1539 - 40	John Punfrastoune,	-	-	-	-	<i>Lib. Coll. Nostre Nomine</i> ,	p. 60.
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