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PREFACE
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P R E F A C E .

IN 1863, when preparing materials for the HISTORY OF PEEBLESHIRE, I applied to Mr John Bathgate, then Town Clerk of Peebles, for liberty to examine the Charters of the Burgh, the Burgh Council Records, and such other papers of an old date as might prove serviceable. The required liberty was granted; but in consequence of alleged losses, the documents submitted for inspection were comparatively few in number. The only charter that could be produced, was that of James IV. (1506), wanting the seal. All the others were missing, inclusive of the great charter of James VI. (1621); the only thing that could be shown for which was a copy of an imperfect English translation, printed in the form of a small tract in 1825. As regards the Records of the Town Council, the oldest began on 4th October 1456, and broke off abruptly in 1483. There was then a blank until 1652, when the Records were resumed, and continued with breaks of several years at a time. The two older volumes resembled bunches of discoloured leaves, in a tattered condition; no care apparently having been taken for their proper preservation. I was consequently unable to present that continuous and vivid account of the Burgh transactions reflecting on social history which would have been so very desirable. These matters rested until the work of collecting and printing documents for the SCOTTISH BURGH RECORDS SOCIETY, led to renewed inquiries, in the present year, concerning the charters and records of Peebles.

The honour of discovering the missing documents, all of deep public

interest, belongs to Mr J. D. MARWICK, Town-Clerk of Edinburgh, Secretary of the BURGH RECORDS SOCIETY, aided by his two assistants, Mr Alexander Harris, and Mr Robert Renwick. The following account of this notable discovery, furnished to me in a communication from Mr Renwick, during Mr Marwick's absence on the continent, will be read with interest :—

“The extracts from the earliest extant volume of the Records of the Town Council of Peebles, given by you in your “History of Peebleshire,” attracted Mr Marwick's attention, from the curious glimpses they afford of burghal life in the south of Scotland towards the close of the fifteenth century. He accordingly applied to Mr J. D. Bathgate, the present town clerk, for an inspection of the volume, which was at once sent to him, along with the volume of transcripts which had been made for you when preparing your volume, and which you had presented to the town. An examination of these, and especially of the original volume, satisfied him that the Peebles Records were worthy of early attention by the Burgh Records Society, and I was asked to make the requisite extracts with a view to publication.

“After these extracts had been made, it was considered desirable to print such of the oldest charters of the burgh as could be collected, but only a very few charters could be discovered in the ordinary repositories of the town.

“When the charters were being collected, Mr Marwick wished me to examine Macfarlane's MS. Collection, preserved in the library of the Faculty of Advocates, in the hope of finding some trace of the Charter of Erection of the Collegiate Church of St Andrew. Being unsuccessful in that quarter, Mr David Laing suggested that I might look with the same object into General Hutton's MS. Collection, made for his contemplated Monastic History of Scotland, and preserved in the same library. I did so, and was agreeably surprised to find two quarto volumes, prepared between the years 1800 and 1813, entirely devoted to transcripts of charters and extracts from the records of Peebles. Mr Marwick thereupon obtained permission from the curators of the library to make a careful inspection of these volumes, and he selected for transcription and publication in the present volume such charters as were connected more specially with the burgh. It was impossible however, to doubt that the General must have had access to many of the charters which had subsequently disappeared. The minute description which the volumes contained of many of these documents afforded conclusive evidence of this ; and, as the writings were of great interest, and it was exceedingly desirable to have the proof-sheets collated with the originals, if they could possibly be discovered, Mr Marwick applied to Mr Bathgate,

to permit a thorough search to be made for them in the town-house and other likely places. The permission was at once given, and it was arranged that Mr Harris and I should take advantage of our first holiday to make an investigation into every corner where there was any probability of coming upon the papers. Fortunately, our search was successful. Two presses in the Town Hall, at Peebles, were found to contain large collections of papers, ancient and modern, and amongst these we discovered a considerable number of volumes of records of several descriptions, and all, or nearly all the papers which General Hutton had made use of, as well as others which were not suitable for the purpose he had in view, and were consequently not transcribed by him.

“It is observable, from scraps of newspapers placed here and there as marks in some of the volumes of records, that they have passed through the hands of some person, within the last twenty years or thereabouts. It seems probable that the belief in their loss has arisen from the books not having latterly come under the observation of those qualified to decipher the writing; and, but for the conviction of their existence, founded on the knowledge derived from General Hutton’s volumes, and the impulse derived from this publication, these valuable records would not at the present time have been brought to light.

“The whole charters have now been carefully examined, and such of them as have been considered suitable for the present purpose have been printed. In cases where there was merely a copy to print from, the proofs have been collated with the originals.

“The principal charter, that of James VI., 1621, is not recorded in the Register of the Great Seal. A complete and accurate copy is consequently of the greater importance. The original deed is written on the face of a large sheet of parchment, and in several places, particularly at the folds, the material has been entirely worn away. In others, owing to the action of time and apparently of damp, the writing had faded to such an extent as to be quite undecipherable. In these circumstances, Mr Marwick applied to the Town Council of Peebles for permission to endeavour to restore the faded writing by chemical process, so far as to enable it to be read, and this permission was at once accorded. The charter was thereupon placed in the hands of Mr Dickson, Curator of the Historical Department of the General Register House, by whom the faded writing was brought up sufficiently to enable him to complete the transcript. The restored portions now occupy several pages of print. The whole of the charter was thereafter carefully collated by Mr Dickson, who has also collated with the Great Seal Register such of the charters as are there re-

corded. The community of Peebles may, accordingly, now be said to possess for the first time, an accessible and authentic copy of their most valuable Burgh Charter; which has, moreover, suffered nothing from the process to which it has been subjected.

“As for the Burgh Records, the first preserved volume, beginning in 1456, ends in 1483. Towards the end of that book, statutes of the bailies and council, and notes of Burgh Court proceedings are of rare occurrence; the great majority of the entries consisting of resignations and sasines of burgh property and annuals. Three volumes, and the fragment of another, bring down this, the first series of extant Records, to 1567, with the exception of blanks between 1530-4 and 1541-5; but the character of the entries in the latter part of the first volume is kept up, and there is not much of general interest. Indeed, almost the only items which it was thought desirable to extract were those relating to the admission of burgesses, where the burgess money was directed to be applied for public works, such as steeple building, bridge-work, &c. This state of matters can only be explained by supposing that subsequent to the commencement of the first volume, the system had been introduced of recording the proceedings of the Burgh Court and the ordinances of the bailies and council in a separate volume. There is, however, little room for conjecture; for, in a volume of accounts commencing in 1623, are found portions of the Burgh Court Books, dated respectively 1509 and 1520, used as wrappers or covers for one of those accounts, viz., that of 1633-4.

“A volume written in Latin, and containing resignations and sasines, services of heirs, and instruments by notaries, commences in 1549, and ends in 1565. A few entries have been taken from this volume, which is largely composed of matter not relating to the Burgh, but to persons and places throughout the county and district.

“Between 1554 and 1573, there are two volumes containing the statutes and proceedings of the bailies and the council, and these registers have been largely drawn upon for extracts which will be found in the present volume. From the latter date till 1604, the only volume which exists is a Register of Sasines commencing in 1594.

“In 1604, the system of keeping the transactions of the provost, bailies, and council separate from those of the magistrates sitting in the Burgh Court, was in operation. From about this time, therefore, there are, in addition to the sasine registers, two sets of records, the Council Record and Burgh Court Book.

“The Council Records recently found, embrace the following periods:—1604-1616; 1620-52; and 1679-1714. The volumes for 1652-1679, and those subse-

quent to 1714, were known to, and have been largely used by, you in the preparation of your History of Peeblesshire. It is accordingly understood that, from 1604 to the present time, with the exception of the part applicable to the four years from 1616 to 1620, and a few leaves at the end of volume 1650-52, the Council Records are complete. The Burgh Court Books which have been found of a date subsequent to 1623, consist of three volumes, and extend from that time down to 1704 continuously.

“The Treasurer’s accounts, containing a number of curious and interesting items, embrace the following periods:—1554, 1623-39, 1645-6, 1650-1, and 1652-65.”

“The greater number of the volumes being provided with parchment covers are in a fair state of preservation, but others not similarly protected have suffered in consequence. Several leaves have been altogether lost, and others in a loose state are out of their places. Mr. Bathgate is anxious to get the whole of the Records bound in a style uniform with the first volume, and when this is done the volumes will, to a large extent, be secured against farther deterioration.”

This explanatory statement by Mr Renwick leaves little to be said of a prefatory nature. The missing charters and records being largely recovered, an opportunity for giving them publicity has occurred in the volume now issued by the BURGH RECORDS SOCIETY. The originals having been returned to the proper quarter, are now fittingly preserved in a fire-proof depository.

The charters and general documents presented are not numerous; but, besides being locally valuable, they form a fair contribution to antiquarian and ecclesiastical literature. With respect to the extracts offered from the Burgh Records, beginning with 1456, they will be found to possess that degree of interest which it is the object of the Burgh Records Society to cultivate. To assist in promoting that object, I have drawn on some personal knowledge of the antiquities connected with Peebles, and thrown together the following observations and notes, in the form of an Introduction, Historical and Topographic, illustrated by a few wood engravings.

Mr Marwick is particularly desirous that acknowledgment may be made here of the valuable services generously rendered by Mr Thomas Dickson, Curator of the Historical Department in the General Register House, in the preparation

of the present volume. The actual labour contributed by him in transcribing those portions of the charters of 1621 which he was enabled to decipher, and afterwards in collating that and other charters, was very great ; but, in addition to these acts of kindness, he has always been ready to make his great knowledge and experience available in any difficulty. Thanks are also very specially due to Mr John Stuart, LL.D., and to Mr George B. Robertson, Deputy Keeper of the Records, for their willing and valuable counsel and active aid. Nor is it possible to exaggerate the value of the service rendered by Mr Renwick, to whose unremitting zeal and painstaking industry this volume mainly owes its existence.

W. CHAMBERS.

GLENORMISTON, *Oct. 3, 1872.*

INTRODUCTION:

HISTORICAL AND TOPOGRAPHIC.

PEEBLES, a Royal Burgh, twenty-two miles south from Edinburgh, occupies a pleasant situation in the upper part of the vale of Tweed. All around is a mountainous district; the lower kind of hills bearing on their rounded summits interesting memorials of the early history of the country. These memorials consist of circular entrenchments, varying in dimensions, erected for purposes of defence against invasion, and to all appearance the work of an early British people; though in some instances, as in the approaches from the east and north, they may have been raised as lately as the fifth or sixth century, to oppose the aggressions of Jutes and Angles. The modern inhabitants are ignorant of their origin, but commonly call them Danish camps. The term Danish is evidently a corruption of the old British word *Dinas*, signifying a hill-fort. The word *Dinas* has been otherwise corrupted. Some places take from it the name *Tinnis* or *Tinnies*; and a hill lying on the east of Peebles, plentifully covered with these ancient forts, is corruptedly called *Janet's Brae*. A tolerably complete account of the British hill-forts in Peeblesshire, is offered in the History of the County (1864).

Peebles traditionally dates from this early British period, when a tribe of the wandering Gadeni pitched their rude tents or shielings, designated by

them *Pebyll*, on a broad alluvial plateau on the north bank of the Tweed. From this British term *Pebyll*, signifying tents, the town takes its present name, which has undergone several mutations. In old charters the place is called *Peblis*. There, on that level spot, did the town first assume a distinct shape, and there were the ecclesiastical glories of *Peebles* developed. From these circumstances, the cluster of houses in this quarter is locally spoken of as the *Old Town*.

Until it was extended by modern additions, the *Old Town* appeared to be only the fragment of what had at one time covered a much larger space of ground, in which the present roadways are presumed to mark the lines of ancient streets. Two or three leading facts present themselves. By David I., while still only Prince of Cumbria, the see of Glasgow was re-invigorated and re-endowed, 1116; and shortly after this, in the arrangement of the see into lesser ecclesiastical divisions, *Peebles*, with a group of parishes, became a deanery in the archdeaconry of *Teviotdale*, with a resident dean, the immediate superior of the ministering clergy within his jurisdiction. The next important fact was the founding of the parish church of *Peebles*, dedicated to *St Andrew*, on the site, as is believed, of a more ancient building. This event occurred in 1195, under the auspices of *Bishop Joceline* of *Glasgow*. This *St Andrew's Church*, as it was called, is frequently referred to in the charters and records connected with the burgh. A third fact of some importance was the founding and endowing of the *Church of the Holy Cross*, or *Holy Rood*, by *Alexander III.*, 1261. As *St Andrew's Church* became a collegiate institution, with a provost, and twelve prebendaries serving at so many altars, and as the *Church of the Holy Cross* was constituted a monastery, with seventy red or *Trinity friars*, the number of ecclesiastics at these two establishments alone was very considerable. Both churches were placed in the *Old Town*, at the distance, in a straight line, of about a quarter of a mile from each other; the street between them forming a convenient ecclesiastical thoroughfare. A cross roadway, leading from an open quadrangular space in the old town, which had been the original market-place of the town, to the thoroughfare between the two churches, is

now called the Lidgate, a corruption of *Lych-gait*, signifying the way by which the dead were carried to the churchyard of St Andrew, the access to which was on the east. By a small effort of the imagination, we are therefore to contemplate the Old Town as having covered several fields behind the present houses, and as being the residence of a numerous body of clergy, including the Abbot of Aberbrothock, when, with a retinue of monks (as indicated in the Grant, No. IV., page 6), he visited the Hospicium connected with his convent.

It will be seen that the charters and documents contained in the present volume commence at the time when the burgh became enriched with the ecclesiastical establishments just mentioned,—notably in the reigns of William the Lion and Alexander III. This last-named monarch, as is well known, was accidentally killed, 1285, whence ensued a succession of national disasters. For nearly a hundred years, therefore, burghal records are wanting. The town, as in the case of other burghs, passed under the sovereignty of Edward I., to whom, according to State Rolls, ‘William de la Chaumbre, Bailif é Burgoiss de Pebles, Johan Vicaire del Eglise, é tote la communaute de Pebles,’ signed articles of allegiance at Berwick-on-Tweed, 1296.

Hitherto, Peebles has been spoken of as being situated on the ground rising from the north bank of the Tweed, the relics of which constitute the Old Town. When the *New Town*, or the Peebles proper of modern times, was built, is not indicated by any record, and we are left to form an opinion on the subject from general but very conclusive circumstances. The open ground, dignified by the Church of St Andrew and the Church of the Holy Cross, was wholly indefensible. The houses were liable to attack, and could be easily destroyed by an enemy from the English border. Hence arose a necessity for building the town on the adjoining peninsula, formed by the Tweed on the south, and the Peebles water, as it is called in the older records, on the north; the infall of this small tributary being at the western extremity of the peninsula. This was an eminently defensible position, and its adoption seems to have been promoted by the building of

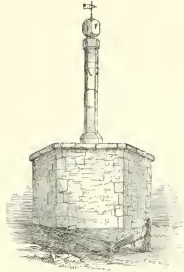
a royal castle on the prominent knoll by which the peninsula is terminated on the west. We hear of this castle in the reign of Edward I. It seems more than probable that the new town assumed a determinate shape in the course of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. It was built in a manner befitting a seat of population exposed to predatory encroachment. To this point we have to draw particular attention.

In the Old Town there is not a vestige of any castellated or defensible edifice. The whole, even in the best days of the place, had consisted of a plain class of dwellings, thatched, and liable to instant destruction. There is no appearance of an environing wall. The two churches might at any time have been assailed, and their respective communities dispersed or put under contribution. The very existence of a town, so open to invasion, in the vale of Tweed, is a significant token of international peacefulness previous to the thirteenth century.

The new town was commenced and continued for several centuries on an entirely different footing. It became a species of border garrison,—an outpost, so to speak, of Edinburgh. The site of the new town is nothing more than a mass of diluvial gravel, the relic of some early geological movement. The surface of the peninsular mass is a height of about sixty feet from the Tweed on the one side, and the Peebles or Eddleston water on the other, affording space for a good broad street, lying east and west, with diverging closes or lanes on each side. The street is generally called the “*Hie Gait*” in the records, and the two lines of houses in the street are ordinarily spoken of as the North and South Row. Such was the main thoroughfare, or High Street, on which markets and fairs were held. Here, towards the eastern extremity of the street, stood the market cross, which was a plain, octangular structure, with a central shaft, as renovated in 1699. From this structure, of which we give a representation as it appeared immediately before its removal (1807), royal proclamations were made. It was likewise the scene of burghal and other ceremonies requiring publicity. The cross was also used as a pillory for criminals. Here, James Tweedie of Drummelzier and his accomplices appeared in

their shirts, to make confession of, and crave forgiveness for, the barbarous murder of John, Lord Fleming, 1524.¹ Nearly opposite the cross, on the north, was the entrance to the town from the Northgait.

The corner tenement on the left, in entering the Northgait from the Cross, was known as the *cunzie* or *cunie* neuk,—the term employed being from the old word *coign*, a corner. The present building is modern, having replaced that which is referred to in the Records, 12th February 1473, wherein it is stated that “Wylyam of Peblis” resigned his foreland lying “on the conzhe nest the Northgat,” as an endowment for Saint Leonard’s Hospital at the west end of the burgh, to insure prayers in all time coming, “for his saull, his wyffis saull, his barnis and princepally for all the saullis at the sayd Wylyam has had ony gudis wrangwysly of ony mannis, be bying or selling, or ony enterchanguyng, and for all cristyu saullis.” We seldom meet with so amusing a trait of late repentant candour.



CROSS OF PEBBLES, AS RENOVATED 1699.

The High Street, as was customary in old Scottish towns, was much embarrassed by projections, outside stairs, and even with dunghills, notwithstanding edicts to the contrary. The projections were generally of a slight fabric, several being only of wood. They were mostly used as shops. An enquiry into the authority by which these “sindry choppis and new biggyunis” were erected, was ordered, 27th October 1560 (p. 262). Perhaps the most inconvenient object in the main thoroughfare was an open drain or gutter, called the Dean’s Gutter, from being opposite the house occupied by the Dean of Peebles. It was ordained, that fleshers should bring their flesh for sale to that part of the street lying “betuix the croce and the Dene gutter” (p. 215). The mention of outside stairs, or “fore stairs,” as they were

¹ History of Biggar and the House of Fleming. By William Hunter, 1862.

generally called, renders it proper to explain the nature of the old street architecture in Peebles, and the means taken for defence of the burgh.

Around the town there were continuous stone dykes, with four principal entrances or ports, and ultimately, as will be afterwards noticed, the dykes were superseded by a very sufficient wall. With its castle, the burgh had, therefore, a considerably defensive aspect. But the inhabitants did not altogether rely on these means of security. The dwellings on both sides of the High Street, and also some dwellings in the closes, were strongly built as bastel-houses. The name bastel-house was applied to a dwelling constructed



DOOR OF A BASTEL-HOUSE IN PEEBLES.

with its ground floor as an arched vault, the apartments above being reached by an outside stair. In cases of expected attack, the burgesses placed their wives and children, with such moveable wealth as they prized, in these vaults, which were secured by a small and very strong arched door. One of these doorways, in an existing bastel-house in Peebles, is represented in the adjoining cut. The thatched roof of these bastel-houses was easily set on fire, but it was not difficult to restore; and, at the end of a well-contested attack the town probably had not suffered much material damage.

In all the Scottish towns near the border there were bastel-houses of this kind, and even now, after ages of tranquillity, they have not disappeared. Scott, in his "Border Antiquities," vol. i. p. lxiv., makes the following reference to them:—"Lesudden, a populous village, when burned by Sir Ralph Evers, in 1544, contained no less than sixteen strong bastel-houses; and Jedburgh, when taken and burned by the Earl of Surrey, contained six of these strongholds, with many good houses besides, was twice as large as the town of Berwick, and could have accommodated a garrison of a thousand cavalry. The defence of these towns was very obstinate, the people themselves pulling down the thatch of their houses, and burning it in the streets to stop the progress of their enemies." As lately as the beginning of the

present century, there survived from fifteen to twenty bastel-houses in Peebles. In the progress of street improvement a number have latterly been removed, but as many as six still existed in 1870. Between the bastel-houses in towns, and the feudal peel-houses erected along the line of the Tweed, there was a marked resemblance. The object of both was the same.

Edward I. is known to have visited Peebles, and to have granted charters dated from its royal castle. In 1304, he assigned Peebles, with its mill and other pertinents, to Aymer de Valence, his Warden of Scotland. Robert Bruce, under his designation of Robert I., is known to have granted a charter to the burgh of Peebles, including freedom to hold a fair; but the document is among the missing State Records.¹ In the year in which Bruce died, 1329, Peebles was visited by his son, Prince David,² then a boy of six years of age, who ascended the throne as David II., and during the early years of whose minority the government was conducted by Randolph, Earl of Moray. Now ensues a fresh dislocation of political ties. By the battle of Halidon Hill, 1333, Edward Baliol acquired a temporary and imperfect possession of the kingdom, and thereafter surrendered to Edward III., 1334, a large portion of the south of Scotland, including the county of Peebles.³ The north-western boundary of the ceded territory was at Karlynlippis, or Carlops, near the northern base of the Pentland range of hills.⁴ In virtue of this transfer, Peebles was a town under English jurisdiction for fully twenty years, a circumstance not contributing to the safety of any ancient records which it happened to possess.

The return of David II. from France, where he had been educated, imparted a gleam of hope to Scotland, but his disastrous defeat at the battle of Durham, 1346, when he was taken prisoner and carried to London, threw the country back to its former deplorable condition. Negotiations for peace, and the ransom and delivery of David, having taken place in 1356, a parliament met next year to ratify the stipulations. To this important assemblage of the Scottish Estates Peebles deputed two commissioners—

¹ Robertson's Index to the Charters, f. 15, No. 4.

² Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i. p. 62.

³ Hailes's Annals of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 210.

⁴ Wynton's Chronicle.

“Nicholas, the son of John, and John, the son of William,”—such, perhaps, being the first time representatives were ever sent from Peebles. The same persons, as representing Peebles, also concurred with the representatives of fifteen other burghs in the appointment of procurators to concur in any treaty, and to undertake whatever obligation might be necessary, to effect the ransom and release of the king.

By the arrangements on this occasion, the English claims on Scotland were finally extinguished. The border line now shifts back to the former boundary, and Peebles resumes its status as a free Scottish burgh. After this event, the first communication made to Peebles by David II. consisted of letters to the bailies, burgesses, and community, 8th March 1362-3 (No. V. p. 8). charging them to assign a fitting place or stance for building “a certain chapel in honour of the glorious Virgin Mary the mother of God.” This request was complied with. The spot assigned for the chapel was in the High Street, near the castle of Peebles; and for its support David, by a charter, granted the mill of Innerleithen. This charter is in existence, but it has not been deemed necessary to print it.

The country at large suffered the calamity of civil wars and disturbances, during the regency of the two dukes of Albany, father and son, at the conclusion of the fourteenth and beginning of the fifteenth century. The precarious condition of the burgh during this dismal period is evident from a passage in one of the old rhyming chronicles. About 1406, Sir Robert Umphrville, vice-admiral of England, made an incursion into Scotland, and attacking the town of Peebles on a market-day, made great spoil of the wares there collected, causing his men to measure out the cloth with their bows and spears. The affair is mentioned in Hardyng’s *Chronicle* (1543), and it is stated that Umphrville hence acquired the name of Robin Mendmarket:—

“At Peebles
 He brent the town upon their market-day,
 And mete their cloth with spears and bows sere,
 By his bidding without any nay;
 Wherefore, the Scots from henceforward ay
 Called him Robin Mendmarket in certain,
 For his measures were so large and plain.”

In consequence of the loss of its more ancient charters, however incurred, the burgh can point to no existing document of this kind earlier than one granted by James II. at the middle of the fifteenth century. Celebrity has been given to the town by the interesting poem, entitled *Peebles to the Play*, commonly, but without any absolute warrant, ascribed to James I., and believed to have been written about 1430. If that accomplished and unfortunate monarch, who was murdered at Perth in 1437, conferred any special token of his royal favour, the fact is not recorded. The charter given by his son and successor, James II., purports to be to the burgesses and community of Peebles, and is dated 5th February 1451-52 (No. IX. p. 16). It proceeds on the grounds "that in times long past by the hazards of war, and by fire, the charters, evidents, and several deeds of infetment, granted to their predecessors and them, had been destroyed, burned, and annulled."

Among the charters will be observed (No. VIII. p. 14) an indenture entered into between the bailies and burgesses and Sir William Adesoun, a priest of Peebles, ordaining an obit of masses to be done at Saint Michael's altar, and our Lady's altar. This document is dated 3d September 1450. Of the original, which is in English, a facsimile is given at the beginning of the present volume. According to the indenture, nine masses were to be done annually, on behalf of certain persons specified, on the 3d of June, but if that day fell on a Saturday, Sunday, or any solemn holy day, the masses were to be delayed to the following Monday. The whole arrangement regarding these masses throws an interesting light on ecclesiastical history.

With respect to Saint Michael, mention is often made in the records of the service to be rendered at the altar of that puissant and greatly venerated archangel. Various pieces of land about the town were appropriated to the support of his chaplain. From the Burgh Records, 10th May 1462 (p. 142), we learn that the altar was provided with an image of Saint Michael, which was made to take part in the ceremony of infetting persons in the lands set apart in his honour. A bailie, with witnesses, having attended for the purpose of giving possession of certain lands from which an annual was payable "to the huphald of Sanct Mechelis seruis in Sanct Androis Kyrk,"

“thair was brocht the ymage of Sanct Mechel, and of that land was layd ird and stan in that ymagis hand,”—a singularly grotesque but no doubt effective ceremonial in the taking and giving possession of lands.

It is observed from an entry in the records, 14th June 1462 (p. 145), that the chaplain at Saint Michael's altar was installed in his office by the symbol of giving him a glove, and that at demitting office a glove was resigned into the hand of a bailie. The chaplain referred to in this particular record is “Schyr John of Loche.” In all other instances of ministering priests being referred to, the same term “Schyr” or “Sir” is prefixed to their names; as, for example, “Sir Wilyam Gybsonn, “Sir John Smayle” (p. 146). This title of *Sir*, given to ecclesiastics in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, has, as everybody is aware, been superseded by the term *Reverend*. In quitting Saint Michael, we have to remark that a lane leading from the “North Raw” to Peebles Water was called Saint Michael's Wynd, a name which it still retains, and which was probably derived from the fact of certain lands belonging to the service of St Michael's altar being situated in its vicinity (pp. 142, 189).

By an entry in the records (p. 204), we learn that the Church of St Andrew was provided with an image of that saint, before which wax candles were kept burning. A piece of land is stated to have been held on paying annually “vj s. and viij d. for the vphalding of the wex candellis in the pane befor Sanct Andro in the queir.” This establishes the fact that the image had a position in the choir, or place of peculiar honour. In the records, the existing roadway up the Old Town is called the “gat passand fra Pebles brig passes to Sant Andros Kirk” (p. 187).

To resume our history of the royal charters. Passing over several documents of lesser moment, we come to the charter of confirmation and novodamus by James IV., under his great seal, to the burgesses and community, of their privileges and possessions, dated 24th July 1506 (No. XX. p. 35). It is a more lengthened document than the charter of James II., and makes a similar allusion to the old charters and evidents having been burned, destroyed and annihilated.

During the minority of Queen Mary, under the protectorate of James, Earl of Arran, a royal charter was granted, 8th June 1543 (No. XXXII. p. 61), confirming a charter by the burgh, and John Lord Hay of Yester, constituting the parish church of St Andrew a collegiate church, with a provost, twelve prebendaries, and two young persons to assist in chanting divine service. The document specifies the titles and services of the respective prebendaries. They are to be called as follows :—The first, the prebendary of the blessed Virgin Mary of Childbirth; the second, the prebendary of the Holy Rood; the third, the prebendary of St Michael the archangel; the fourth, the prebendary of Saint Mary Major; the fifth, the prebendary of the blessed Peter and Paul; the sixth, the prebendary of Saint John the Baptist; the seventh, the prebendary of Saint Mary of Geddes Aisle; the eighth, the prebendary of Saint Andrew; the ninth, the prebendary of Saint James; the tenth, the prebendary of Saint Lawrence; the eleventh, the prebendary of St Martin; the twelfth, the prebendary of St Christopher. The whole, for their services at their respective altars, were to be maintained by rents from certain lands. The original charter by the Burgh and Lord Yester has not been discovered, but there is preserved an extract from it containing the rental of St Mary, and that extract will be found in the Appendix to the present volume.

It is to be noticed that this endowment of "altarages" in St Andrew's Church took place in 1543, only four years previous to the battle of Pinkiecleugh, fought 10th September 1547, when the English, under the Protector Somerset, totally defeated the Scots. This unfortunate contest turned mainly on the question of the Reformation, as carried out by Henry VIII., against the still intact Church of Rome in Scotland. Strange to say, the community of Peebles, which had just signalised itself by endowing prebends in St Andrew's Church, took the side of the English: the circumstance, however, most likely arose more from the terror inspired by invading hosts all over the southern counties than from any love for the religion of the reformers. The fact that the people of Peebles attached themselves to the English at this national crisis, is curiously brought out in the document

entitled "Composition for Remission to the Bailies, Councillors, and Community of Peebles, for their treasonable adherence to the English," 15th June 1551 (No. XXXIII. p. 65). The community is stated to have treasonably adhered to "the old enemies of England," after the battle of Pinkiecleugh, "for a period of fifteen weeks or thereabouts in time of war." The composition or fine for this grave offence is seen to have been £200,—of course in Scots money, being about £16 13s. 4d. sterling. The Burgh Records, not being complete at this period, contain no notice of the Pinkiecleugh affair, nor of the fine imposed on account of it. We only learn incidentally that the town was visited by a military force who burnt St Andrew's Church. Very meagre notices of the event occur in 1555 (p. 215), 1556 (p. 236), and also under the date 11th December 1560 (p. 266), in a representation to the Lords of the Secret Council, that "the parochie kirk was brint and distroyit be Yngland xii yeris syne or thairby." The invaders committed a still greater atrocity. They cruelly burnt the town. Birrel in his *Diary* briefly refers to the event as follows: "Peebles burnt by Englishmen, in anno 1549." The invaders on the occasion possibly consisted of a detachment from the forces of Lord Wharton on the western marches, joined by the Earl of Lennox, who commanded the Scottish borderers in the service of England.¹

The escapade connected with Pinkiecleugh, in which the people of Peebles were not singular, does not seem to have been remembered vengefully against the burgh. All things went on as usual, and again there was some experience of royal favour. Queen Mary, by a charter under the great seal, of new erected the burgh of Peebles into a free royal burgh, with liberty to hold markets and fairs, and with other privileges specified in ancient infeftments. It is dated Peebles, 17th December 1554 (No. XXXIV. p. 66). As seen by an extract from the Burgh Records (p. 209), "an honest and discreet man, Mungo Williamson," empowered by letters from the Queen, went, on the 3d May, 1555, to the market-cross of the burgh, and there

¹ Tytler's History of Scotland, Vol. vi., p. 45.

solemnly proclaimed two new fair days, for the buying and selling of all kinds of merchandise.

From numerous entries in the records, it is observed that at this period the community were in an exceedingly perturbed condition, and the misery that prevailed among the humbler classes is very clearly indicated by the frequent notice of "pykaris," or stealers of petty articles, such as hens, kale, peats, &c. (pp. 221-4). In 1555 watchmen were appointed to keep watch during the night, and from that time till 1573, the records applicable to which period have been well preserved, numerous regulations regarding the watch were passed. The principal orders of this kind will be found in the extracts, one of which, passed in 1557, provided that at any sudden fray or incursion by thieves, a gun was to be fired, and the inhabitants were to assemble well armed (p. 240). What a condition of insecurity!

The distractions were aggravated by the uprooting of old usages consequent on the Reformation, and the turning adrift of large numbers of ecclesiastics and their attendants. The Reformation in Scotland was effected by statute, August 1560. Of this momentous event the records say very little, but that little is not valueless. In the first place, it is stated under date 30th March 1560 (p. 259), that "a venerable and worthy man, Friar Gilbert Broune, minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles," had been put in such mortal fear by John Master of Maxwell and others, on behalf of the Lords of the Congregation, that to save his life and prevent the destruction of his place and monastery he changed his dress, substituting a grey keltour gown for his white habit, at the same time putting on a "how" black bonnet. This act was no doubt intended to indicate that the Friar had renounced the old religion and embraced the new, but in the instrument in which he records his compromise he is careful to state that it was "not from any hatred of his old religion." No outrage on the structure or furnishings of the Cross Church is recorded, but we can entertain little doubt that by the invasion of the Master of Maxwell the edifice was cleared of all the objects hitherto considered sacred, including the reliques

of Saint Nicholas and the "Haly Rude of Peebles," which for ages had been devoutly flocked to by pilgrims from all parts of Scotland.

We have a glimpse of the expulsion of the brotherhood of the Holy Cross. Gilbert Broune, the superior of the convent, casts up again in the records on the 27th January 1560, which according to the old mode of reckoning came after the 30th March of the same year. On this occasion he obeys the Lords of the Congregation, by delivering up the Cross Church to the bailies, and commanding his brethren to disperse. He takes care, however, to protest that he and other members of the convent rendered obedience on the understanding that they were severally to enjoy the endowments of the church during their lives. To this they were reasonably entitled, but their demission of office on an attempt to secure these terms has an unpleasantly sordid aspect.

What about St Andrew's Church during this commotion? Nothing very satisfactory can be said on the subject. It has been already mentioned, on the faith of the records, that this ancient parish church was burnt and destroyed by forces in the service of England about twelve years before the Reformation, and it is distinctly stated that it would require to be rebuilt; wherefore the burgesses besought the Lords of the Secret Council to let them have the newly cleared Cross Church to be the church for the parish. That at least a considerable portion of St Andrew's Church had been destroyed, is evident from the fact that on the 27th May 1555 (p. 213), Charles Geddes desires the bailies to "repair and big the Geddes ile," and from the still more conclusive fact that on the 14th October, same year (p. 218), "the inquest ordanis the baillies and nychtbouris pas to the Kirk and sycht the samyn with witty men to se quhow it may be biggit." It is not stated that the edifice was rebuilt. Yet there was probably some kind of restoration, for on the 13th January 1557 (p. 242), the bailies insist that the prebendaries shall make continual and daily service at their respective altars, conformable to endowment by the patrons. A similar entry occurs two years previously (p. 226), warning "all chaplains to mak residence at thair altaris conform to thair fundatioun within xlj dayis," under penalty

of having their offices declared vacant. This would seem to indicate a laxity of the ecclesiastical system on the eve of the Reformation in Scotland.

The Reformation being effected, and the old endowments appropriated by the nobility and gentry—the yearly value derived from some of the prebends, however, being still under the administration of the burgh (p. 335)—the ecclesiastical system in Peebles was put on a very modest footing; for a time it consisted of only a single exhorter, named John Dikeson, whose annual stipend amounted to no more than forty merks.¹ St Andrew's Church was allowed to fall to ruin. For upwards of a century the structure has consisted of only a massive square tower, and a few broken walls—the grassy sward of its interior being dotted over with modern grave-stones. The chapel of the Virgin Mary in the High Street, becoming burgh property, was used occasionally for religious purposes until its removal in 1780. The Cross Church was used as the parish church until 1784, when the congregation removed to a new church of a poor style of architecture, erected on the site of the Castle of Peebles. At the spot in the eastern gable of the Cross Church where stood the high altar, a doorway was opened, and over it is the inscription—"FEIRE GOD, 1656." The church had five windows on the southern side, in which was the main entrance. Between the third window and the door there was a small aperture and arch, so constructed as to make it probable to the antiquaries of last century that the reliques of St Nicholas and the Holy Cross had been deposited there, so that they might be seen as well without as within the church.²

The cloisters and other buildings occupied by the monastics of the Cross Church were situated on the north side of the edifice. They had formed a quadrangle. The chief building, erected over a vault, consisted of a single apartment, which was reached by an outside flight of steps. On one side there was an opening from the apartment into the church. Probably this had been the apartment used by the superior, who could at any time, by means of the opening, observe the proceedings of the monks and other

¹ Names of Ministers, Exhorters, &c., printed for the Maitland Club. See also Extracts from the Records, pp. 263, 268.

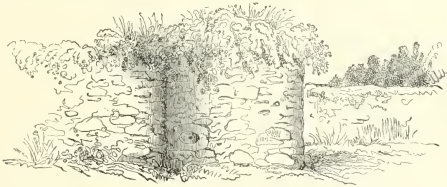
² Origines Parochiales Scotiæ.

worshippers. The various outbuildings remained entire after the Reformation, some portions of them being used for a school till some time in the eighteenth century. They then sunk to ruin, and gradually disappeared; but, within the remembrance of the present writer, the foundations of the cloisters were still visible. The church itself, after its desertion in 1784, also became a ruin; the progress of its delapidation being accelerated by want of care and the improper abstraction of materials. The principal portion now remaining is the shattered ivy-clad tower.

Continuing our notes on the charters and records, we come to that sorely troubled state of affairs which immediately succeeded the Reformation. In the year 1569, during the regency of the Earl of Murray, the Borders, including the Vale of Tweed, were so greatly disturbed by parties of armed marauders that the community of Peebles found it necessary to increase their means of defence. The stone dykes which environed the town being insufficient for protection, it was resolved to build a regularly defensible wall. On this point the records of the burgh are gratifyingly explicit. Beginning with the 24th February 1569 (p. 312), we have a series of entries regarding the wall, from which, along with existing relics, we can trace the line of defence and the nature of its construction. Referring to the notices, which are worthy of careful perusal, it is enough to say that the wall was to be four ells and a half in height, "ground and all," and three feet and a half in breadth, with block houses, or projecting towers with shot holes at certain places. The wall was to begin at the "Golt Fut," a point on Tweed Green near the foot of the present Vennel, thence going northwards to Lord Borthwick's walls, where it was to turn westwards to Usher's wynd and Peebles Water; it was then to run along the foot of the gardens to "Peebles Brig," after which, going southwards at the West Port, it was to run along the south side of the town "to the said Golt Fut." The town was thus to be effectually enclosed, with the four ports which had hitherto existed in the environing dykes.

It is interesting to note the terms on which the wall was to be constructed. The authorities possessed no funds adequate for a work of such

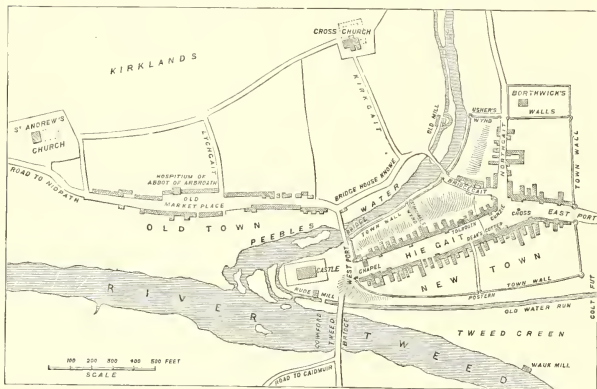
magnitude. All they could do was to offer a contractor the profits of the two corn mills and the wauk mill for ten years to undertake the job, with the provision that all the horses in the town should fetch lime to carry on the works. Stene Robesone gave some promise of constructing the wall on the proposed terms, but he (p. 315), shrunk from the bargain, and ultimately (p. 317), "Sir John Allane, commoun clerk, and Thomas Lauder, masone, agreed to build the wall on condition of having the profits of the mills for thirteen years. According to the definition respecting the run of the wall (p. 316), it was to go "north about inwith my lord Borthik wallis to Peblis Walter." The meaning of this seems to be that the wall was to keep within some property of Lord Borthwick in turning westwards. We see from present appearances that Borthwick's walls inclosed a quadrangular space exterior to the town wall, but intimately connected with it. The space so enclosed is now the property of the British Linen Company; and the name Borthwick's walls, which is given in Armstrong's map of Peebles, 1775, was until lately still in use. In the existing portion of the town wall in this quarter are comprehended the remains of a blockhouse mantled with ivy, situated at the north-eastern corner, adjoining Borthwick's walls. A representation of it is given in the annexed cut.



REMAINS OF TOWN WALL EAST PORT.

For a small country town with slender means, the surrounding wall was well executed, as regards height, breadth, and material, which consisted of

stone and lime, with a coping of turf. We refer to the records for the precautions adopted by the burgh authorities for guarding the ports and defending the walls against sudden surprise,—the whole conveying to us a distressing picture of the condition of a Scottish border community early in the reign of James VI. We have attempted to sketch a map of



SKETCH MAP OF ROYAL BURGH OF PEEBLES, WITH WALL, 1569.

the town with the wall of 1569, drawn from a close examination of existing relics, assisted by the entries in the burgh records and personal reminiscences of the locality. The adjoining sketch may be useful in contrasting the defensible character of the New with the open condition of the Old town. After the Reformation, however, when the two ecclesiastical establishments had been sacked, there was little in the Old Town to be worth caring for, and this division of the burgh sunk to the character of a semi-deserted suburb.

Unhappily, while the whole district of country from the Merse to Dumfriesshire was a scene of disorder, the general dissensions were imitated on a minor but not less rancorous scale by the burgesses of Peebles, who among themselves scolded, quarrelled, and fought, used towards each other opprobrious epithets in open council, constantly disagreed about rights to common property, and at times, out of malice or an inclination for plunder, committed crimes which brought them within the scrutiny of the higher courts.

No name occurs more frequently in the records during the fifteenth and sixteenth century than that of Dickison or Dykisoun. The Dickisons were proprietors of Winkston, a property situated about a mile north from the town, and bounded by certain commons pertaining to the burgh. Concerning the marches, there appear to have been disputes between William Dickison and John his son and heir, and the burgh in 1555 (p. 213). Although trusted, and raised to the position of a bailie, John Dickison was evidently a troublesome individual. From what cause, whether from a revival of the dispute about the marches, or otherwise, a bad feeling grew up in the town against him, and he was at length barbarously murdered on the 1st July 1572. Of this lamentable event, the records take no notice, except in a casual way. On the day following the murder, William Dickison of Winkston, for himself and his kinsmen, promises to live peaceably in time to come, and the bailies and community in like manner undertake not to molest him and his friends. But though only incidentally referred to here and elsewhere in the records the fact of the slaughter is undoubted; for it was the subject of judicial inquiry. On the 19th July the same year, James Tweedie, John Wychtman, Martin Hay, and John Bullo, all of Peebles, and Thomas Johnston, son of Thomas Johnston of Craigieburn, were tried at the High Court of Justiciary, 'for the cruel slaughter of the late John Dickisone of Wynkstone.' The assize acquitted them, with only one dissentient.¹ According to a tradition which lingered in the town till within the last fifty years, the murder was committed in the High Street, near the Dean's Gutter.

¹ Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i., p. 34.

The perplexing thing about this unhappy affair is, that the murdered man is spoken of traditionally as 'Provost Dickison,' and he is also, as will be seen, referred to as 'provost' in an entry in the council records, 1st March 1682. Now, it is proper to say, that at the time of the murder the provost of the burgh was 'William Lord Hay of Yester,' who was elected for a year, 16th October 1571 (p. 329). We, indeed, do not find any entry as to Dickison ever being appointed provost. The only explanation we can offer is, that Dickison had perhaps acted for some time as chief magistrate, or depute provost, for Lord Hay of Yester was frequently absent, and was in fact little better than an ornamental official.

From entries in the Privy Council Records, quoted in the *History of Peeblesshire*, the feuds, slaughters, and disorders in the county during the latter part of the sixteenth century fill the modern reader with astonishment. At this period, James VI. several times visited Peebles either to hold summary courts on disturbers of the peace, or in the more vain attempt to compose the feuds of the gentry. In the history of the town, are seen on a limited scale, the efforts of the monarchy to secure the allegiance of the burghs as a make-weight against the ambitious and dangerous tendencies of the higher class of nobles. All the charters granted to Peebles, as to other burghs, by the old Scottish sovereigns are traceable to this sagacious policy. James VI., after he had ascended the throne of England, gave a charter to the burgh, which remains the golden charter of the community, and is that commonly quoted.

This great charter, which amplifies all the privileges formerly conceded, is a charter of confirmation and novodamus. It was granted by James VI. to the Provost, Bailies, and Councillors of the Burgh of Peebles, 19th November 1621 (No. XL, p. 76). This copious document may be consulted for an account of the many privileges and possessions conferred from time to time on the burgh. From the explanations already offered, it is evident that great pains have been taken to give a perfect transcript and translation of this important document. As no such trouble had been incurred in effecting a transcript of the charter hitherto in use, the burgh now for the

first time after a long period, is put in possession of a complete and trustworthy copy. The privileges conferred by the charter remain, modified by modern legislation ; where the many possessions are, it would be painful to consider. In this respect, Peebles has not been exempted from the fate of most royal burghs favoured by the munificence of royal and other donors.

The records and accounts afford some curious information regarding the troops of the Commonwealth which were quartered in the town ; and at a subsequent period we also find a few incidents connected with the troubles which sprang up in Scotland, consequent on the obligation to take the 'test.' Of this test, which drove the Covenanters to the hills, we observe that on one occasion certain magistrates and councillors refused to take it. But afterwards the members of council became more pliable. Under date 29th September 1684 occurs the passage,—'The proveists, baillies, thesaurer, and dean of gild, being newly elected, took upon their knees the Test.' As is seen from the list of council at this date, two "extraordinary members" had been imposed on it, "John earle of Tweiddale and John Lord Hay of Yester." By an arbitrary stretch of authority, as appears under date 27th December 1686, the election of the magistrates and council was suspended by royal mandate, such being a small specimen of the ill-considered acts which two years later drove the king from the throne, and led to the Revolution.

What became of the old castle of Peebles, once the residence of royalty, and a prime stronghold in this part of the country, is left unexplained by any record which we have been able to consult. The last time we see it mentioned is in the Rental Book of the Earl of Tweeddale's estates, which is dated Peebles Castle, 26th April 1671 till 1685. Peebles Castle therefore existed, though in a decayed condition, until nearly the close of the seventeenth century, and shortly afterwards sinking to ruin, it would probably be removed as building materials. Certainly, it was gone at the commencement of the eighteenth century. In 1720, the town council ordered the banks round the castle-hill to be planted with trees. Subsequently, a portion of the cleared site of the castle was laid out as a public bowling-green, and afterwards, the remaining part of the site was required

for the new parish church. As regards the town wall of 1569, it existed, though in a dilapidated condition, until the middle of the eighteenth century. In 1758 the council resolved to take down the West Port, and level the port brae, in order to make a more commodious entry to the town. Cleared away by this and other operations, the wall generally disappeared about the year 1800, leaving only a few fragments, the largest of which, near the East Port, has already been referred to.

We conclude by calling attention to a few points of general interest in the earlier extracts. In these, some curious notices occur respecting a branch of civic administration, in regard to which we have no very definite information. We refer to the dousan or council of the burgh, which seems to have varied in its numbers from 21 to 25, and the inquest or queist composed of persons numbering from 12 to 21. Whether the inquest was a different body from the dousan, or was composed of members of the dousan or of private inhabitants called upon sometimes to advise with the bailies on special occasions, or on others to act as a jury and determine special questions of fact, is not by any means clear. Both conjectures seem to derive support from various acts. Probably the records of other burghs may afford more definite information on this subject. Meanwhile we can only call attention to the fact that the dousan and the inquest both appear to have possessed considerable authority as regards the guardianship of the burgh, the regulation of prices, and matters of police. The constant interference of the inquest with traders and merchandise, forms a prominent feature in the records, and gives an impressive idea of that mischievous meddlesomeness with the free current of trade and the prices of labour which once prevailed in Scottish burghs.

From innumerable entries, we learn that fines for underselling, and for a variety of petty offences, formed a prolific source of burghal revenue. When the town wanted a clock, or required means for building a steeple, or repairing a bridge, or any other useful purpose, instead of levying a tax, the plan of contriving and imposing fines was resorted to. A town clock being wanted, it was 'statut and ordanyt,' in 1462 (p. 147), that whoever

breaks the price of bread or ale, shall be fined 'xij d. to the bying of a knok.' There are some other curious entries of this kind under same date. Some offenders did not get off with a fine. Flyting or scolding women were dealt with severely. In 1471 (p. 167) it was ordered that 'quhat women at flytis, fechtis, or sklandaris gud menys wyffis dochteris,' are to be led to the four gates of the town with two stones hanging in an iron chain from their shoulder—a species of perambulating pillory. The extracts offered on these and other points in social economy, during a period extending over centuries, painfully enlighten us on three things,—the extraordinary degree of arbitrary power which was exercised by the burgh authorities, the prodigious ignorance and narrow-mindedness concerning the principles of commercial, and it may be said public, well-being, and the wretched state of manners and morals prevalent in what are fancifully spoken of as the 'good old times.'

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SEAL OF THE ROYAL BURGH OF PRESLES.

CHARTERS AND DOCUMENTS

RELATING TO

THE BURGH OF PEEBLES.

1165—1641.

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I.

ASSISE of King William the Lion ordaining the two chief Courts of the Justiciar to be held yearly at Edinburgh or at Peebles. Between 1165 and 1214.

De duobus placitis Justiciarii annuatim tenendis.

STATUIT dominus Rex communi consilio regni sui quod duo placita Justiciarii capitalia annuatim teneantur apud Edinburgh vel Peblis. Ita scilicet quod omnes tenentes in capite de domino Rege existentes in regno ibidem debent comparere et omni essonio excepto nisi fuerit de certa egritudine vel servicio domini Regis vel amissione terre ad iudicium faciendum sen causis subitanis que de novo emergunt quibus non poterit provideri ad certificandum Justiciarium super illis de quibus dubitat.

Of the tua hed mutis of the Justice to be haldyn.

The Kyng has ordanit thru the counsal of his kynrik that the twa hed mutis of the Justice salbe haldin yerly at Edinburgh or Peblis sua that is to say that al thai that haldis in cheff of the kyng beand wythin the kynrik thar aw to comper essonye outan bot gif it be of certan seiknes or the kyngis service or tynsel of the land at iugement to be mad or els in sodan cases the quhilkis newly hapis of the quhilkis it might nocht be foresene to certify the Justice apon matteris of the quhilkis he doutis.

II.

BREVE by Alexander the Third to the Bailies of Peebles commanding them to cause inquest be made regarding the possession of the Moss of Waltamshope formerly granted to the Burgesses of Peebles. Lanark, 7 October 1262.

ALEXANDER dei gratia Rex Scottorum Eymero de Mackisuuell dilecto et fideli suo vicecomiti et balliuis suis de Pebblys salutem : Mandamus vobis firmiter precipientes quatinus per probos fideles liberos et legales homines patrie diligenter et fideliter inquiri faciatis si Robertus Cruik deforciet burgensibus nostris de Pebblys petariam nostram de Waltamshope ab bone memorie domino rege Alexandro patre nostro ut dicunt et postmodum a nobis sibi concessam et si idem Robertus terram nostram et communem pasturam dictorum burgensium nostrorum arraverit vel aliquo alio modo injuste occupaverit ; et dictam inquisitionem diligenter et fideliter factam sub sigillo vestro una cum sigillis aliquorum qui dicte inquisitioni intererunt faciende nobis quamcicuis poteritis mitti faciatis et hoc breve. Teste me ipso apud Lanark vij^o die Octobris anno regni nostri xiiij.

ALEXANDER by the grace of God King of Scots : To his beloved and faithful Eymur de Mackisuuell his sheriff and his bailies of Pebblys greeting. We command and firmly enjoin that ye cause inquisition to be diligently and faithfully made by honest faithful free and lawful men of the country whether Robert Cruik has deforced our burgesses of Peebles of our moss of Waltamshope granted to them as they say by our father Lord Alexander, King, of good memory, and afterwards by us, and whether the said Robert has tilled or in any other way unjustly occupied our land and the common pasture of our said burgesses ; and that ye cause the said inquisition diligently and faithfully made to be sent to us as speedily as possible under your seal, together with the seals of the others who make the said inquisition, and this brieve. Witness myself at Lanark the seventh day of October in the fourteenth year of our reign.

III.

DELIVERANCE made by the Inquest appointed under Breve by the King regarding the Moss of Waltamshope. Peebles 15th October 1262

APUD PEBBLYS die Sancti Leonardi anni gratie millesimi ducentesimi sexagesimi secundi, Archbaldus de Hopkelioe, Alexander de Wynkistun, Ricardus Fernarius, Clemens de Hopkelioe, Rogerus le Kedistun, Michael de Kedistun, Rogerus Ortolanus, Archbaldus de Hundwaluchishope, Adam de Stobhou, Thomas Faber, Ricardus filius Godardi, Gauri Pluchan, Willelmus Pastor, Walterus Pastor, Johannes Modi, Robertus Gladhoc, Cokinus Faber, Adam Haesmall, Jurati dixerunt quod burgenses de Pebblys foderunt petas suas in petaria de Waltamshope, et quod Robertus Croke dictas petas violavit secuit et fregit et petas ducere impedivit, et quod unum equum cepit cum brueria, et precium equi quod est quatuor solidi et precium bruerie quod est unus denarius, detinet adhuc tanquam suam escaetam, dicens quod est sua escaeta, eo quod dictam brueriam in communa sua eradicarunt: dicti autem burgenses precium dicti equi et bruerie cum seruiantibus domini Regis et baroniis peccerunt ad vadium et ad plegium quod non potuerunt habere quia dixit quod sit sua escaeta. Dicti autem jurati dixerunt quod dictus

AT PEBBLYS on the day of Saint Leonard in the year of grace one thousand two hundred and sixty two, Archibald de Hopkelioe, Alexander de Wynkistun, Richard Farmer, Clement of Hopkelioe, Roger Keddistun, Michael of Kedistun, Roger Gardiner, Archibald of Hundwaluchishope, Adam of Stobhou, Thomas Smith, Richard the son of Goddard, Gauri Pluchan, William Shepherd, Walter Shepherd, John Modi, Robert Gladhoc, Cokin Smith, Adam Haesmall, being sworn said that the burgesses of Pebblys dug their peats in the moss of Waltamshope, and that Robert Croke spoiled cut up and broke the said peats and prevented them from being led, and that he seized a horse with heath, and still detains the price of the horse which is four shillings, and the price of the heath, which is a penny, as his escheat, saying that it is his escheat because the said heath was plucked in his common. The said burgesses likewise asked from the servants of our lord the king and the barons the price of the said horse and heath in pledge, which they could not receive because he said that it was his escheat. The said jurors likewise said that the said

Robertus Cruke edificavit aulam suam ubi homines domini Regis solebant communare. Idem Robertus aravit super communam de Peblis ut dicti jurati dixerunt.

Robert Cruke built his hall where the men of our Lord the King were wont to have their common. Also the said Robert ploughed upon the common of Peblis as the said jurors said.

IV.

GRANT by the Abbot and Convent of Arbroath, to William called Maceon, burgess of Peebles, of their land in the Burgh of Peebles. A.D. 1317.

NOTUM SIT omnibus Christi fidelibus presens scriptum visuris uel auditoris quod nos, frater Bernardus, permissione divina abbas de Aberbrothoc, et eiusdem loci conuentus, de expresso consensu tocius capituli nostri, damus, concedimus et presenti carta nostra confirmamus, Willelmo dicto Maceon burgensi de Peblis, et heredibus suis, totam terram nostram quam habemus in burgo de Peblis iacentem inter terram Johannis de Lacu ex parte australi, ex parte vna, et terram Johannis filii Willelmi ex parte boreali, ex parte altera, quam Laurencius de Wedayl de nobis tenuit, et quam idem Laurencius coram fidedignis per fustum et baculum nobis sursum reddidit, ac totum jus et clameum quod in dicta terra habuit, vel quoquo modo habere potuit, pro se et heredibus suis omnino resignavit in perpetuum. TENENDAM ET HABENDAM dicto Willelmo et heredibus suis in liberum bur-

BE IT KNOWN to all the faithful of Christ who may see or hear the present writing, that we brother Bernard, by divine permission abbot of Arbroath, and the convent of that place, with the express consent of our whole chapter, give grant and by our present charter confirm to William called Maceon, burgess of Peebles, and his heirs, our whole land which we have in the burgh of Peebles, lying between the land of John of Lake on the south, on the one part, and the land of John Williamson on the north, on the other part, which Laurence of Wedayl held of us, and which the said Laurence before honest men by staff and baton rendered up to us, and all right and claim which he had in the said land or might have in any manner, he for himself and his heirs for ever entirely resigned. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, to the said William and his heirs in free burgage of us and our successors, with all

gagium de nobis et successoribus nostris, cum omnibus commoditatibus asiammentis et iustis pertinentiis suis; salua nobis et successoribus nostris iusticia regalitatis et aliis placitis nostris in dicta terra cum voluerimus tenendis. REDDENDO inde nobis et successoribus nostris dictus Willelmus et heredes sui duos solidos argenti singulis annis ad festum Sancte Trinitatis, et inueni-endo abbati de Aberbrothoc qui pro tempore fuerit et eius monachis conuersis et clericis, balliuis et actornatis eorundem, venientibus pro negociis et causis monasterii, quociens aduenerint, singulis secundum statum suum, cum familia sua, honestum hospicium, aulam in qua honeste comedere poterunt, cum mensa trestulis et aliis apparatibus, spensam cum butellario, cameram seu cameras ubi honeste recubare poterunt, coquinam honestam, et stabulum pro equis suis; inuenient eciam in aduentibus predictis personis sufficienter focale, tam in aula et in camera quam in coquina; albas candelas de sepo que vulgariter nuncupantur *candle de Paris*, leterium stramentum in aula et camera, et sal pro mensis. Preterea cum nuncii vel cursores abbatis interuenerint ad hospitandum sine contradictione admittentur, ad sumptus tamen pro cibariis suis idem Willelmus et heredes sui non tenebuntur. Dictus eciam Willelmus seu heredes sui nullo modo terram et hostilium predictum vendent impignorabunt seu alienabunt, vel ad firmam dimittent alicui persone, nisi de consensu predictorum abbatis et conuentus

commodities easements and just pertinents; reserving to us and our successors the right of holding courts of regality and others our pleas on the said lands when we will. PAYING therefor to us and our successors, the said William and his heirs, two shillings of silver in each year at the feast of the holy Trinity, and finding honest lodging for the Abbot of Arbroath, who shall be for the time, and for his monks associates and clerks their bailies and attorneys coming for the business and causes of the monastery, as often as they shall arrive, each according to his station, with their domestics, a hall in which they may becomingly eat, with a table trestles and other furniture, a spence with a buttery, a chamber or chambers where they may comfortably sleep, a decent kitchen and a stable for their horses; they shall provide also on the coming of the foresaid persons sufficient fuel as well in the hall and chamber as in the kitchen, white candles of tallow which are commonly called *candles of Paris*, straw or rushes for the hall and chamber, and salt for the tables. Moreover, when the messengers or runners of the abbot shall come to dwell there they shall be admitted without gainsaying, but the said William and his heirs shall not be liable for the cost of their food. Also the said William or his heirs shall in no manner sell impledge alienate or let to farm to any person the foresaid land and hostilage except with the

qui pro tempore fuerint. IN CUIUS REI testimonium presenti carte commune sigillum capituli nostri concorditer fecimus apponi. Teste eodem capitulo. Anno gracie millesimo trecentesimo septimo decimo.

consent of the foresaid abbot and convent for the time. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we with one consent have caused the common seal of our chapter to be affixed to this present charter. Witness the same chapter. In the year of grace one thousand three hundred and seventeen.

V.

LETTERS by King David II., charging the Community of Peebles to assign a stance in the common muir to build a chapel. Edinburgh, 8th March, 1362-3.

DAVID, Dei gracia Rex Scottorum : Balliuis burgi de Peblys burgensibusque et communitati burgi eiusdem, salutem. SCIATIS quod concessimus dilecto ac fidei nostro [fratri] Johanni de Peblys, magistro hospitalis eiusdem, locum siue spacium competens in communi dicti burgi ad construendum et edificandum quandam capellam [in] honore gloriose Virginis Dei genitricis Marie. Quare vobis mandamus et precipimus quatinus locum spacii quadraginta octo pedum in longitudine et viginti quatuor pedum in latitudine, eidem Johanni infra dictam communem assignetis, vbi dicta capella competencius valeat edificari; et hoc sub pena que competere [poterit] nullatenus omittatis. Datum sub sigillo nostro apud Edinburgh, octavo die Marcii, anno regni nostri tricesimo tercio.

DAVID by the grace of God King of Scots : To the bailies of the burgh of Peblys, and to the burgesses and community of the same burgh, greeting. Know ye that we have granted to our beloved and faithful, brother John of Peblys, master of the hospital thereof, a fitting place or stance in the common ground of the said burgh for constructing and building a certain chapel in honour of the glorious Virgin Mary the mother of God. Wherefore we strictly charge and command you to assign to the said John within the said common land a place of the extent of forty-eight feet in breadth and twenty-four feet in length, where the said chapel can be fitly built; and this in nowise ye leave undone under all competent penalty. Given under our seal at Edinburgh the eighth day of March in the thirty-third year of our reign.

VI.

INDENTURE between the Bailies and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, and Sir William Adesoun and Sir William Medilmaste, as to the altar of St Michael in St Andrew's Kirk of Peebles. Peebles, 4th February, 1444-5.

THIS INDENTUR, made at Peblis the ferde day of Februer the yher of our Lorde a thowsand fowr hundreth fowrty and fowr yheris, betwix nowbil and worschipfull men the balyheis the burges and the hale communitie of the burgh of Peblis on the ta parte, and Sir Wilyham Adesoun and Sir Wilyham Medilmaste vicaris of Lyntoun in Rothryke and of Selkyrke Regis on the tother parte, propertis contenys and beris witnes, in forme and effec as efter folowis, that is to say, that the said Sir Wilyham and Sir Wilyham has made stabilist and ordanyt, and be this present indentur makis stabilisis and ordanys, for thaim and thair ayris for euirmair, the balyheis for thair tyme beand, said euir hapyn to be, the burges and the hale communitie of the said burgh of Peblis, keparis vphaldaris and verray lauchfull tutowrys of the landis annuale-rentis and possessiownys and al hale anowrnmentis, quhat euir thai be, that the said Sir Wilyham and Sir Wilyham has gefyn or sal gefe to the altar of Saynt Michael within Saynt Androis Kyrk of Peblis, to the service of a chapellane thar perpetually to say mes efter the valow of the rentis and the possessiownys gefyn tharto, in honowr of Almighty God, Mary his moder and Saynt Michael, for the hele of the body and the sawl of Jamys kyng of Scottis, for his forbearis and successowris Kyngis of Scottis, for the balyheis the burges and the communitie of the burgh of Peblis, and for the hele of thair awn sawlis, thair faderis sawlis, thair moderis sawlis, thair kyn sawlis, and al christyn sawlis. And the said balyheis, the burges and the hale communitie of the said burgh of Peblis, for thaim and thair successowris burges of Peblis in tyme to cum, has oblist thaim fyrst til Almighty God, Mary his moder and til Saynt Michael, in vertu of thair Christyndom, and syne til Sir Wilyham and Sir Wilyham be the trowthis of thair bodyis, that thai sal kepe and gar kepe at thair gudly power buke vestment chalis and al other anowrnments left or to be left til the said

altar ; and that thar sal na anowrnment of that altar be lent til na other altar na til na place, sawfand buke and chalis within the kyrk quhen it may guddy be forgane fra the service of the said altar ; and that thai sal manteine and defend al rentis and possessiownys that ar left til the forsaid altar with hale commoun consent, and ilk man syndri, as thai do for thair awn heritage and fredomys of the town with cost of the self gif it hapynnys. And at the court efter Pasch the balyheis and the burges sal ordane the chapellane that thai fee to tak and rayse the malys annuale-rentis and possessiownys that ar left or sal be left til Saynt Michaelis altar with help of the balyheis as thai think thair is cause ; and thai sal thar ordane the chapellane or quham other that thai think best, to reperle the hows quhen thai myster with cost of the self. And it is ordanyt be the said balyheis burges and communite and Sir Wilyham Adesoun and Sir Wilyham Medilmaste at thair sal na man play at the cathe on the said howsis, the quhilkis ar gefyn til Saynt Michaelis altar, and gif ony takis on hand to do the contrary and play on thaim, the said balyheis burges and communite ar oblist as befor, als oft as thai play on thaim, thai sal tak and rayse of ilkane of thaim a pund of wax, but favour or forgifnes, to be departyt evinly be the balyheis and the vicar or his chapellane to be brynt on Saynt Androis altar and Saynt Michaelis in Goddis service. And quhat chapellane that Sir Wilyham Adesoun puttis in that service, als lang as he makis gud service, sal be feit yherly be the balyheis and the burges at the court efter Pasche ; and gif he defawtis in his service, and will nocht amend his defawt at thair ordinans, he sal be remufyt at thair wil and thai sall fee ane other. And it is ordanyt that it sal nocht be gefyn na grawntyt til na rentyt man, na til na man for terme of lyfe, bot yherly to be feit at the next court haldyn efter Pasche ; and na man sal be feit til it bot he that duellis within the town of Peblis, and he sal hafe na other service bot it oles na it be nocht ten markis ; and gif it falyheis of ten markis, as God willand it sal nocht, he sal, at the balyheis and the burges ordinans, tak quhil he hafe ten markis ; and the balyheis at that court sal tak hym oblyst to kepe al anowrnments of the altar, the quhilkis thai sal delyver hym be ane indentur made betwix the balyheis and hym, and gif it hapynnys ony of the anowrnments to be analyt stollyn or paryt in his defawt because of wrang yhemsale, otherwise than resonabil weryng in Goddis service on Saynt Michaelis altar, he sal amend thaim and mak thaim als gud and sufficient as thai war quhen he resauit thaim ; and the balyheis sal

tak sekirnes of this condicioun in playn court at his feyng. And thar sal na man be feit thairtil bot he that can sufficiandly syng playn sang to help Goddis service, to be done quhen or quhar that the vicar, or he that beris cur vnder him within Saynet Androwis kyrk, ordanys Goddis service to be done in honour of God Almichty, his moder Mary and Saynet Michael, in plesans of the parischyn batht to lyfe and sawl. And gif it hapynnys that chapellane that beis feit til that service to absent hym fra the service of the kyrk, the quhilk is done with note be the vicar or ony in his name, and he cum nocht to the begynnynge of the hee mes, he sal pay fowr penys and cum he nocht to begynnynge of evensang he sal pay fowr penys, and for complene twa penys, and quhen matynys ar done with note, be he fra the begynnynge of thaim he sal pay fowr penys, and for ilk howr twa penys; and be he fra the begynnynge of the resurrecioun on Pasche day he sal pay sex penys; and thir defawtis sal be tane of his fee and raysyt be the balyheis and the vicar, or hym that beris cur vnder the vicar, and be departyt evinly betwix the balyheis and the vicar, and the tane half brynt on the hee altar in wax and the tother half on Saynet Michaelis altar for owtyn forgifnes. And gif it hapynnys that the balyheis the burges and the communitie fee ony chapellane for meide, prayer, cუსynage, or alya or for ony cause, that can nocht sufficiandly syng playn sang, the vicar or his chapellane that beris cur of the parischyn vnder the vicar sal remufe hym and fee ane other chapellane that can sufficiandly syng, to help Goddis service to be done for that yher, and pay hym deuly his fee of the annualis and the rentis pertinand to the said altar; and the next yher the balyheis the burges and the communitie sal fee a sufficiand chapellane as is befor wrytten, and als oft as thai fee ane vnsufficiand chapellane that can nocht syng playn sang he sal be remufit be the vicar or his chapellane and hafe na fee. And quhat chapellane that servis, quhen he passis til the lauatory efter the Wangel, sal say for Sir Wilyham Adesoun, Sir Wilyham Medilmaste, thair faderis sawlis, thair moderis sawlis, for al that thai ar oblist to pray for and for al Christyn sawlis, the *De profundis*, and he sal wryte the day of the obyte in the mes buke of Sir Wilyham Adesoun, and the day of the obite of Sir Wilyham Medilmaste, and say at evin *Placebo* and *Dirige* for ilk ane of thaim syndry, and on the morn mes of the *Requiem*. And that al thingis befor wrytten lely and trewly, but frawde or gyle, sal be kept, the forsaid partis has gefyn bodily thair trowthis til other. And in the witnes tharof the commoun sele of the said burgh of Peblis in name of

commoun assent, with the sele of Wil Bullok than beand balyhe, with the selys of other syndre burges, togidder with the selys of the said Sir Wilyham Adesoun and Sir Wilyham Medilmaste, to the partis of this indentur interchangeably ar sett day yber and place befor wryttyn. And the chapellane that servis at Sanct Michaelis altar sal hafe ten markis of fee and vj schillingis and viij d. til brede and wyne, and sal set al the landis with the balyheis and the burges consent, but fraude or gyle, als der as he may, and gader in the malys and the anwellis to hald up the howsis tharwith, and hafe xx schillingis for his labour, and gif cowut til the balyheis and thair counsel on the Lammes day next efter the Witsounday of the gadering in of the malis; and al that excedis the chargis befor wryttyn sal be gevin til Wilyham of Peblis qwhil he levis, and efter his decess til the balyheis, to by anornamentis til the altar of Sanct Michael as thai wil answer on the day of Dome befor ovr Lord Jhesu Criste, etc.

VII.

CHARTER by Sir John Blounte, rector of Lyne, to the Burgh of Peblis, of a tenement in the Northgate of Peblis. Peebles, 20th April 1448.

OMNIBUS hanc cartam visuris uel auditoris dominus Johannes Blounte, rector de Lyne, salutem in Domino sempiternam; NOVERITIS me, non vi aut metu ductum nec errore lapsum, sed mea mera pura et spontanea voluntate, dedisse concessisse et hac presenti carta mea confirmasse toti et uniuerse communitati burgi de Peblis, pro suis benemeritis et beneficiis michi multipliciter impensis et impendendis, totam et integram terram meam cum pertinentiis, jacentem in burgo de Peblis in vico vulgariter dicto *le Northgate*

TO ALL, who shall see or hear this charter, Sir John Blounte, rector of Lyne, sends eternal greeting in the Lord. Know ye me, not induced by force or fear nor deceived, but of my mere pure and free will, to have given, granted, and by this my charter confirmed, to all and singular the community of the burgh of Peblis, for their manifold good deeds and benefits done and to be done to me, all and whole my land with the pertinents lying within the burgh of Peblis, in the street commonly called the Northgate, on the west side of the street thereof, between the tenement

ex occidentali parte vici eiusdem, inter tenementum magistri Roberti de Peblis ex parte australi, ex parte vna, et tenementum domini Johannis Symssoun capellani ex parte boreali, ex parte altera : TENENDAM ET HABENDAM totam et integram predictam terram cum pertinentiis prefate communitati et successoribus suis, burgensibus burgi de Peblis, a me et heredibus meis et assignatis, de domino nostro rege in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas antiquas et diuisas suas prout jacet in longitudine et latitudine, in domibus edificiis muris lapide et calce ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis commoditatibus libertatibus et aisiamentis ac iustis pertinentiis suis quibuscunque, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam sub terra quam supra terram, tam procul quam prope, ad predictam terram cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu iuste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, adeo libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace, sine retinemento uel renocacione aliquali, sicut aliqua terra infra regnum Scocie alicui per aliquem liberius quicquid integrus aut honorificencius conceditur seu alienatur aut concedi uel alienari qualitercunque, poterit in futurum : REDDENDO inde annuatim dicta communitas de Peblis et successores sui, burgenses de Peblis, domino nostro Regi, firmam burgi debitam et consuetam tantum, pro omni alio onere exactione demanda seu seruicio seculari, que de predicta terra cum pertinentiis per quoscunque iuste exigi poterunt quomo-

of Master Robert of Peblis on the south side, on the one part, and the tenement of Sir John Symssoun, chaplain, on the north side, on the other part : To HOLD and to HAVE all and whole the foresaid land, with the pertinents, to the foresaid community and their successors, burgesses of the burgh of Peblis, from me and my heirs and assignees, of our lord the king, in fee and heritage for ever, by all its right marches, old and divided, as they lie in length and breadth, in houses, buildings, muirs, stone and lime, and with all other and singular commodities, liberties, and easements, and their just pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above the earth, as well far as near, to the foresaid land with the pertinents belonging, or that can in any way justly belong in time coming, as freely, quietly, fully wholly, honourably, well and in peace, without any reservation or revocation whatever, in like manner as any other land within the kingdom of Scotland is freely, quietly, fully or honourably granted or alienated to any person by any person, or can in any way be granted or alienated for ever : GIVING therefor yearly, the said community of Peblis and their successors, burgesses of Peblis, to our lord the king, burgh farm used and wont only, for all other burden, exaction, demand, or secular service which can by any person be in any way justly exacted or required from the

dolibet nel requiri : IN CUIUS REI testimonium sigillum meum huic presenti carte mee est appensum, coram hiis testibus, Willelmo Bullo, balliuo de Peblis, Johanne Dekysoun, Thoma Dekysoun, Willelmo de Peblis, Thoma de Louch et Johanne Uschar, burgensibus eiusdem burgi, Domino Roberto Burr perpetuo vicario de Peblis, Magistro Johanne Wach et Domino Thoma Hardkneis publicis notariis, cum multis aliis, apud Peblis vicesimo die Aprilis, anno Domini millesimo cccc^{mo}. xlvij^o.

foresaid land, with the pertinents : IN WITNESS whereof my seal is appended to this present charter before these witnesses, William Bullo, baillie of Peblis, John Dekysoun, Thomas Dekysoun, William of Peblis, Thomas of Louch, and John Uschar, burgesses of the said burgh, Sir Robert Burr, perpetual vicar of Peblis, Master John Wach, and Sir Thomas Hardkneis, notaries public, with many others, at Peblis, the twentieth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and forty eight.

VIII.

INDENTURE between the Bailies and Burgesses of Peebles and Sir William Adesoun, ordaining an obit of masses to be done at St Michael's Altar and Our Lady's Altar in St Andrew's Church of Peebles. Peebles, 3d September, 1450.

THIS INDENTUR, made at Peblis the thrid day of September the yere of our Lorde a thowsand four hundreth and fyfty yheris, betuix honorabil and worschipfull men the balyeis and the burgeis of Peblis on the ta part, and Sir Wilyam Adeson of Peblis on the tothir part, propertis contenis and beris witnes at the said Sir Wilyam, in honour of Jhesu Criste, Mary his moder and madyn, and of al the Sanctis of Hevin, has ordanit ane obit of messis to be don in Sant Androis kyrk at Sant Michaellis altare, and our Lady altare cuirmar, on the thrid day of Junii, with *Placebo* and *Dirige* on the evin befor ; and quhen it hapynnis the thrid day to fal on Settirday or on Sunday, or ony solempnit haly day fal on the thrid day the messis sal be delayd quhil the Monnday with *Placebo* and *Dirige* on the Sunday at evin befor. The first mes sal be of the Trinite, with a collec for our richtwis Pape vndir a *Per Dominum*, that God len hym gras to govern al

crystyn folk in sekir and stedfast trowth, that he and thai be sauf quhen thai hyne pas. The secund mes sal be of our Lady, with a collec for the Bischop, the quhilk beris cure of our saulis, that God len hym gras and al that beris cure of saulis to govern swa that it be lovabil til God and schend-schip til the fende. The thrid mes sal be of the Sprete, with a collec for the Kyng and the Qwene, that God len hym gras, and al that beris office vndir hym within the realm of Scotland, to lede the lawis sa evinly at the comownis may leve with thair awn and the kynrik kept in fredom. The ferd mes sal be of the Cors, with a collec for the Dene and the Chanownis of Glasgu, that God graunt thaim gras to govern thaim and al at thai bere cure of, at God be payd of thaim quhen thai hyne pas. The fift mes sal be of Sant Michael, with a collec for the balyheis and the communitie of Peblis, that God send thaim art and part of messis, matynis and al gud prayeris, the quhilkis is don in this kyrk or ony othir placis. The sext mes sal be the mes of *Salus Populi*, with a collec for al our gud doaris, and for al that ar dede werand on Goddis enmys, and for al that reparellis this altare or ekis Goddis servuce here to be don or in ony othir places. The sevind mes sal be of the Requiem for Sir Wilyam Medilmaste, Sir Thomas of Peblis, Sir Wilyam Adeson, thair faederis and moderis saulis, and for all cristyn saulis, with *Deus indulgenciarum et Omnipotens sempiternus Deus vnica salus* vndir a *per Dominum*. The auchtand mes sal be of the Requiem for the saulis of Adam Robertson and Marion, with *Inclina Domine* and *Quesumus Domine pro tua* vndir a *Per Dominum*. The nynde mes sal be of the Requiem for the saulis of al thaim qwbaiss bodys beis beryst in this kyrk or kyrkyhard, and generaly for al cristyn saulis with *Deus cuius miseracione et Fidelium Deus* vndir a *Per Dominum*. The first mes sal be don at Sant Michaelis altare, the secund at our Lady altare, the thrid at Sant Michaelis altare, the ferd at our Lady altare, the fift at Sant Michaelis altare, the sext at our Lady altare, and the thre last messis sal be don of the Requiem at Sant Michaelis altare, and the last with note. And quba that enir he be that is chapellane sal ches aucht til hym and the parisch clerk, with consent of the balyheis, gif myster be, the quhilkis ar playn sangstaris, and nane sal ga to the mes at our Lady altare quhil thai hafe sacrit at Sant Michaelis altare, na to the mes at Sant Michaelis altare quhil thai hafe sacrit at our Lady altare; and the chapellane servand at Sant Michaelis altare sal warne thaim as thai sal ga to; and

quhen the last mes is don he sal gef ilkane of thaim twelf penys; and gif ony gais til the mes agayn his ordinans he sal hafe na fee, bot that at suld be gevin til hym sal be brynt in wax on Sant Michaelis altare. And that al thir condiciownis and poyntmentis forsaid lely and treuly sal be kept aythir of thir partis til othir ar oblist be the faythis of thair bodyis of the said Sir Wilyhamis costis. IN THE WITNES of the quhilkis the comon sele of Peblis, and the sele of the forsaid Sir Wilyam Adeson, til thir indenturis interchangeably ar to hwn gyn, yhere, day and place befor wryttyn. And this sown of ten schillingis, quhilk sal be payd til the nyne chapellanis and the parish clerk, sal be tane yerly of the first malys and anwel rentis quhilkis sal be tane yerly and raysit of Sant Michaelis service of the terme of Witsunday.

IX.

CHARTER by King James the Second to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, confirming the infestments, liberties, and possessions granted to them by previous Kings. Edinburgh 5th February 1451-2.

JACOBUS Dei gracia Rex Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus tocius terre sue clericis et laicis, salutem: SCIATIS nos lamentabilem querelam et propositionem couburgensium et communitatis burgi nostri de Peblis qualiter, antiquis retroactis temporibus per guerrarum discrimina et ignium incendia carte evidencie et singule sue litere infeodacionis, predecessoribus suis et eis super infeodacione et libertatibus dicti Burgi nostri per antecessores nostros reges regni nostri concesses et facte destructe combuste et annullate extiterant, intellexisse; IDCIRCO noueritis nos, pro zelo et singulare fauore quem

JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots: To all good men of his whole land clergy and laity, greeting: Know ye that we have understood the mournful complaint and proposition of the co-burgesses and community of our burgh of Peblis that in times long past, by the hazards of war and by fire, the charters evidents and several deeds of infestment granted and made to their predecessors and them upon the infestment and liberties of our said burgh by our ancestors, kings of our kingdom, had been destroyed, burned, and annulled; THEREFORE know ye for the zeal and singular fauour which we bear to the burgesses and community of the said

gerimus erga burgenses et communitatem dicti burgi, approbasse ratificasse ac pro nobis heredibus et successoribus nostris et regni nostri regibus imperpetuum confirmasse, dictis conburgensibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis, omnes illas et singulas infeodaciones libertates saisinas et possessiones, eis et dicto burgo nostro per antecessores nostros factas et concessas super infeodacionibus et libertatibus dicti burgi, de curiis, burgensium confectionibus, suorumque comburgensium et inhabitancium replegiacionibus, de firma burgali, de custumis minoribus, curiarum eschaetis et amerciamentis, officiariorum electionibus confectionibus, et approbacionibus, transgressorum punicionibus, molendinis, multuris et eorum sequelis, ac loeis molendinorum, de aquis piscationibus aucupacionibus et venacionibus, quantum antecessoribus nostris ante infeodacionem dicti burgi nostri spectabat seu pertinebat ; cum communibus pasturis et libero introitu et exitu, videlicet, de le Kingis Mure, de Cadmure, de Hommyldoune et de Venlau, cum pertinentiis, ac communi pastura cum libero introitu et exitu in terris de Glentars a solis ortu vsque ad occasum eiusdem ; quasquidem communes pasturas de Kingis Mure, Cadmure, Hommyldoune, Venlau, et Glentars cum pertinentiis, ac libero introitu et exitu, dicto burgo nostro de Peblis et communitati eiusdem et eorum successoribus approbamus et annexamus inperpetuum : **TENENDUM ET HABENDUM** dictum burgum de Peblis in burgo et burgagiis

burgh, to have approved, ratified, and for us our heirs and successors and the kings of our kingdom for ever confirmed to the said burgesses and community of our said burgh of Peebles all and singular the infeftments, liberties, sasines, and possessions made and granted to them and our said burgh by our ancestors upon the infeftments and liberties of the said burgh, of courts, creation of burgesses, and repledging of their co-burgesses and inhabitants, of the burgh ferme, petty customs, escheats and amerciaments of courts, electing creating and approving of officers, punishing transgressors, mills, multures and their sequels and places of mills, of waters, fishings, fowlings and huntings so far as belonged or pertained to our ancestors before the infeftment of our said burgh ; with common pastures and free ish and entry, to wit, of the King's Muir of Cadmure, of Hommyldoune, and Venlau, with the pertinents, and common pasture with free ish and entry to the lands of Glentars from the rising of the sun until the going down of the same ; which common pastures of the King's Muir, Cademur, Hommyldoune, Venlau, and Glentars, with the pertinents and free ish and entry we approve and for ever annex to our said burgh of Peebles and community of the same and their successors ; **To HAVE and TO HOLD** the said Burgh of Peebles in burgh and

predictis comburgensibus et communitati nostris de nobis heredibus et successoribus nostris in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum, per rectas metas antiquas et diuisas suas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine; ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus prenomiatis, commoditatibus priuilegiis pasturis molendinis multuris ac viarum et semitarum communium exercitiis pro focalibus et aliis vtilitatibus et proficuis dicto burgo et communitati ducendis sine obstaculo quocunque circa commorancium, tam sub terra quam supra terram, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam prope quam procul, ad infeodacionem dicti burgi antiquitus spectantibus seu de jure spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, adeo libere et quiete integre plenarie honorifice bene et in pace, sine retinemento uel renouacione aliquali, sicut dicti comburgenses nostri dictum burgum nostrum, cum omnibus supradictis priuilegiis et libertatibus, liberius quicquid integrius honorificencius, antiquis et retroactis temporibus de nobis et antecessoribus nostris possederunt seu tenuerunt, vel sicut aliqui [burgenses] regni nostri suos burgos et burgagia tenent et possident, tenuerunt seu possederunt; REDDENDO inde annuatim dicti comburgenses et [communitas] burgi de Peblis et sui successores qui pro tempore fuerint, nobis et successoribus [nostris, in] scaccario nostro, duodecim marcas vsualis monete [regni Scocie nomine annui reddi]tus, et viginti sex solidos et octo denarios predictae monete magistro hospitalis Sancti Leonardi iuxta burgum de Peblis [in puram et perpetuam climo]sinam, pro

burgages, to the five said coburgesses and community of us and our heirs and successors in fee and heritage for ever, by their ancient just meiths and marches as they lie in length and breadth; and with all other and singular liberties beforenamed commodities, priuileges, pastures, mills, multures, and use of roads and common paths for leading fuel and other uses and profit to the said burgh and community without any obstacle whatever to the inhabitants, as well under the earth as above the earth, as well near as far, belonging, or of right known to belong, to the old infeftment of the said burgh in any way for ever, as freely and quietly, wholly, fully, honourably, well, and in peace, without any retainment or revocation, as our said coburgesses possessed or held our said burgh freely, quietly, wholly, honourably, in ancient and past times, of us and our ancestors, or as any burgesses of our kingdom hold or may hold and possess their burghs and burgesses. GIVING therefor yearly the said coburgesses and community of the burgh of Peebles, and their successors for the time, to us and our successors in our treasury, twelve merks usual money of the kingdom of Scotland, in name of annualrent, and twenty-six shillings and eight pennies of the foresaid money to the master of the hospital of St Leonard,

salute anime nostre et animarum antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, regni Scocie regum tantum pro omni alio onere exactione [servicio] seu demanda que de dicto burgo per nos aut successores nostros reges Scocie exigi poterit quoquomodo seu requiro. In cuius rei testimonium p[re]senti carte] nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus. Testibus, reuerendis in Cristo patribus, Willelmo et Thoma Glasguensis et Candidecase ecclesiarum episcopis ; Willelmo domino Creichtoun, nostro cancellario et consanguineo predilecto ; dilectis consanguineis nostris Willelmo domino Somerville, Patrio domino Glamis ; Magistris Johanne Arous archidiacono Glasguensi, et Georgio de Schoriswode, rectore de Cultre. Apud Edinburgh, quinto die mensis Februarii anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo quinquagesimo primo et regni nostri decimo quinto.

near the burgh of Peebles, in pure and perpetual alms, for the health of our soul and the souls of our ancestors and successors, kings of Scotland, only, for all other burden, exaction, question, or demand, which can in any way be asked or required from the said burgh by us or our successors, kings of Scotland. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have ordered our great seal to be appended to our present charter. Witnesses, the reverend fathers in Christ, William and Thomas bishops of the churches of Glasgow and Galloway ; William, lord Creichtoun, our chancellor and wellbeloved cousin ; our beloved cousins, William, lord Somerville, Patrick, lord Glamis ; masters John Arous, archdeacon of Glasgow, and George of Schoriswode, rector of Cultre. At Edinburgh, the fifth day of the month of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and fifty-one, and in the fourteenth of our reign.

X.

LETTERS by King James the Third, under his Privy Seal, freeing the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Burgh of Peebles from appearing in the courts of the King's Forest at Ettrick. Edinburgh, 28th October 1473.

JAMES, be the grace of God, King of Scottis : To all and sindry our liegis and subditis quhais knaulage thir our letteres salcum, greting : Wit ye that forsamekill as our burgh of Peblis is ane ald fre burgh of our realme, feft and foundit be our progenitouris of maist noble mynde with liberteis priuileges and fre burwage like as vtheris our burwis ar priuilegit

in tyme bigane, and thairfor quhare the burges and inhabitantis oure saide burgh has of late bene arrestit and callit be oure officiaris of oure forest of Ettrik to compeire and ansuere at the bounde courtis of oure saide forest, in hurting of thair ald fredomes and priuilegis forsaide, we haue dischargit and be thir present letteres dischargis, for ws and oure successouris, the burges and inhabitantis oure saide burgh of Peblis and thare successouris that sall inhabit the sammyn burgh of all compering and ansuering perpetuallly in tyme to cum in the said bound courtis; and gif ony of the saide inhabitantis tresspassis in destructioun or taking of grene wode or deir owt of oure said forest, we will that the fawtouris and trespasouris thareof be punyst and correct and pay thare vnlawis be a knowlege of ane assise in oure Justice Are of Peblis as efferis, and in nane vthir courtis vtouth the fredomes of our said burgh: QUHARFOR we charge straitly and commandis all and sindry oure balyeis currouris officiaris and ministeris of oure saide forest of Ettrik now present and to cum that nane of thame intromit with the burges and inhabitantis forsaide in the calling or compelling of thame to ansuere in the saide bounde courtis in tyme cummyng vnder all the heast payne and charge that eftir may folow: Of the quibilkis intromitting and calling we als dischargis our saide officiaris foreuirmar be thir present letteres, GEVIN vndir oure priue seile, perpetuallly to endure, at Edinburgh the xxviij day of the moneth of October the yere of oure Lord a thousande foure hundreth sevinty and thre yeris, and of our regne the fourtene yere.

JAMES R.

XI.

GRANT by James of Tweedie of Drummelzier and others, to the Bailies, Burgesses and Community of Peebles of the patronage of St John's Altar in the Parish Kirk of St Andrew in Peebles. Peebles, 15th December 1473.

TILL all and syndri quhais knowlaige thyr present letteris sal cum: James of Tuedi of Drummelzour, William of Cokburn of Henrylande, William Vache of Dawic, Thomas of Lowis of Maner, George Elfyntoun of Henristoun and Thomas Dekisoun of Ormistoun, greting in God euirlestand: Wit ye ws till haue ouer resignit, ouer gevyn, grantid and reunsit, and be thir

present letteris, for ws our ayeris and assignais, frely giffis, ouer resignis and renuncis till the ballies burges and haile communitie of the burgh of Peblis and to thair successouris, heretably and for euirmar, all and hale the patronage that we haue of the seruice and alter of Sanct John the Baptist foundit within the parische kirk of Sanct Andro within the said burgh : TO BE HALDIN and to be had all and hale the said patronage with the gift and presentatioun thairof to the saidis ballies, burges and communitie of the said burgh and thair successouris fra ws and ilk ane of ws our ayeris and assignais for euirmar; and we forsuth, the saidis James, William, William, Thomas, George and Thomas, our ayeris and assignais, byndis and oblissis ws be the faithis in our bodis neur to [clame any] richt or titil of richt properte nor possessioun in nor to the said patronage nor presentacioun of the sa[id chap]ellane to the said seruice nor alter of Sanct John, bot to be alluterly excludit and dischargit thairof and tharfra for [euir], sa at the saidis ballies sal haue ful power to vse the said patronage and to present a chapellane to the saide seruice als oft as it vaikis : The quhilk renuncatioun and gift we mak, amittis and frely giffis ouer, becaus that the said ballies burges and communitie of the saide burgh has chargit thaim and tane apoun thaim the enffentment and seruice of the alter of Sanct John within the said parish kirk of Sanct Andro within the burgh of Peblis, efter the tenour of thair infentment of thair commoun rentis and dewiteis, all fraud, gile and disate, away put. IN WITNESS of the quhilk thing to thir present letteris all our selis ar to hungin, at Peblis the xv day of December the yer of our Lord a thousand four hundreth sevinti and thre yeris.

XII.

FOUNDATION by the Bailies and Community of Peebles of a chaplainry at the altar of St John the Baptist in the Parish Kirk of St Andrew in Peebles. Peebles, 15th December, 1473.

OMNIBUS hanc cartam visuris vel audituris, Johannes Dekisoune, Willelmus Dekisoune, balliui, ac burgenses et tota communitas burgii de Peblis, salutem

TO ALL who shall see or hear this charter, John Dekisoune, William Dekisoune bailies, and the burgesses and whole community of the burgh of Peblis, eternal

in Domino sempiternam. NOUERITIS nos, vnanimi consensu et assensu, ad laudem et honorem Dei Omnipotentis, et Beatissime Marie Virginis matris sue, Sancti Andree et Sancti Johannis Baptiste, ac omnium sanctorum Dei, pro salute animarum serenissimi principis ac domini nostri metuendissimi domini Jacobi Tercii Scotorum Regis illustrissimi, et Margarete Regine Scoeie, prolumque suarum ac animarum Jacobi Tuedy de Drummelzore, Willelmi Cockburne de Henriland, Pauli de Vaich de Dawie, Patricii Lewis de Menner, Georgei Elphinstone de Henristone, et Thome Dekisone de Ormiston, ac suorum antecessorum et successorum, necnon animarum omnium qui debitum vniuersae carnis persoluerunt in guerris siue duellis inter predictas partes, acceiam animarum burgensium et communitatis dicti burgi de Pebelis, et animarum omnium fidelium defunctorum, dedisse concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Deo et Beate Marie semper Virgini, et Sancto Johanni Baptiste, et omnibus sanctis Dei, et vni capellano diuina celebranti et imperpetuum celebraturo annuatim, ad altare Sancti Johannis Baptiste situatum in ecclesia parochiali Sancti Andree de Pebelis, in puram et perpetuam elimosinam, vnum annum redditum duodecim marcarum vsualis monete Scoeie excuntium annuatim et precipiendarum, ad duos anni terminos vsuales, Penthecostis, viz., et Sancto Martini in hieme, per equales porciones, de

salvation in the Lord. Know ye us, with unanimous consent and assent, to the praise and honour of Almighty God, the most blessed virgin Mary his mother, Saint Andrew and Saint John the Baptist, and all the saints of God, for the health of the souls of the most serene prince, and our most worshipful lord, the lord James the Third, most illustrious King of Scots, and Margaret, Queen of Scotland, and their children, and of the souls of James Tuedy of Drummelzore, William Cockburne of Henriland, Paul of Vaich of Dawie, Patrick Lewis of Menner, George Elphinstone of Henristone, and Thomas Dekisone of Ormiston, and of their ancestors and successors, and also of the souls of all who have paid the debt of all flesh in wars or combats between the foresaid parties, and also of the souls of the burgesses and community of the said burgh of Pebelis, and the souls of all faithful dead, to have given, granted, and by this, our present charter, confirmed to God, and Saint Mary ever Virgin, and Saint John the Baptist, and all the saints of God, and to a chaplain celebrating and for ever yearly to celebrate diuine seruice at the altar of Saint John the Baptist, situated in the parish church of St Andrew of Pebelis, in pure and perpetual alms, an annual rent of twelve merks usual money of Scotland, to be issued and taken yearly at two usual terms in the year, Whitsunday and Martinmas in winter, by equal portions, furth of all and singular our lands, mills, and rents of the

omnibus et singulis terris molendinis et redditibus nostris communitatis dicti Burgi de Pebles. TENENDUM ET HABENDUM totum et integrum predictum annuum redditum duodecim marcarum, cum pertinentiis, dicto altari et capellano ibidem diuina celebranti et imperpetuum celebraturo, pro animabus omnibus supradictis, in puram liberam et perpetuam elimosinam, cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus et asiamentis ac justis pertinentiis suis quibuscunque ad dictum annuum redditum cum pertinentiis spectantibus, seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, et adeo libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace sicut aliquis annuus redditus alicui altari et capellano datur conceditur aut dari vel concedi poterit qualitercunque in futurum, ac sine aliquo retinemento reuocatione aut obstaculo aliquali. VOLUMUS eiam et concedimus quod ipsius capellani presentacio ad nos balliuos et communitatem dicti burgi de Peblis ac successores nostros imperpetuum pertineat, et infra viginti dies presentandum quociens vacauerit capellania antedicta, itaque procuratores et tutores dicti altaris Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro dicto annuo redditu ad opus eiusdem altaris et ad seruicium dicti capellani pro elemosina antedicta distringere valeant, deficiente annuo redditu predicto, recuperare possit, et per processum juris debite compellere et lucrare. Tenebitur eiam dictus capellanus qui pro tempore fuerit cum dispositus fuerit missam cotidianam celebrare, et

community of the said burgh of Peblis. TO HOLD AND TO HAVE all and whole the forsaid annual rent of twelve merks, with the pertinents, to the said altar, and to the chaplain celebrating and to celebrate diuine service there for ever, for all the foresaid souls, in pure, free, and perpetual alms, with all and singular liberties, commodities, and easements and right pertinents whatsoever, to the said annual rent, with the pertinents, belonging or in any way justly known to belong, for ever, and as freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably, well, and in peace, as any annual rent is given or granted, or can be given or granted in any way whatsoever, in time to come to any altar and chaplain, and without any reservation, revocation, or obstacle whatever. WE WILL also and grant that the presentation of the said chaplain shall belong to us, the bailies and community of the said burgh of Pebles, and our successors for ever, to be presented to within twenty days as often as the forsaid chaplainry is vacant ; and also that the procurators and guardians of the said altar of Saint John the Baptist, the foresaid annual rent being withheld, may distrain for the foresaid gift for the use of the said altar, and for the service of the said chaplain, and may enforce and recover the same by process of law. Moreover, the said chaplain for the time being, shall be bound when required to celebrate mass daily, and if he shall absent himself from the said service for

cum se absentauerit a dicto seruicio per spacium vnus mensis vacabit capellania prefata, nisi habeat licenciam, vel notorium sit pro aliis racionalibus de causa. Necnon sepedictus capellanus tenebitur esse cantor et fore, cum suo surpliciis omnibus diebus festiuis in choro et seruire ad matutinas missas et vespervas sicut alii capellani in dicta ecclesia faciunt, et prefatus capellanus tenebitur eciam in introitu cuiuslibet misse populum exhortare pro animabus predictis vt dicant vnum Pater Noster cum Salutacione Angelica. Et nos vero dicti balliui burgenses et tota communitas dicti burgi de Peblis et successores nostri, totum et integrum predictum annuum redditum duodecim marcarum cum pertinenciis adeo libere [et] quiete in omnibus et per omnia vt predictum est, antefatis altari et capellano qui pro tempore fuerit, contra omnes mortales warantisabinaus acquietabimus et imperpetuum defendemus. **IN CUIUS REI TESTIMONIUM** presenti carte nostre sigillum commune dicti burgi est appensum. Testibus, prouidis viris Willelmo de Peblis, Thomas Dekisoun, Johanne Madour, Johanne Murchosone, Patricio Tempil et Georgeo Davidstone. Apud Peblis, decimo quinto die mensis Decembris, anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo septuagesimo tercio.

the space of one month the said chaplainry shall become vacant, unless he have licence, or it be notorious there are other reasonable causes. As also the said chaplain shall be bound to be chanter and to be in his surplice on all festival days in the choir, and to be present at matins, masses, and vespers, as other chaplains do in the said church, and the foresaid chaplain shall also be bound at the commencement of every mass to exhort the people to say for the said souls the Lord's Prayer with the Angelic Salutation. And we the said bailies, burgesses and whole commnity of the said burgh of Pebles and our successors shall warrant, acquit, and for ever defend, against all mortals, all and whole the foresaid annual rent of twelve merks with the pertinents as freely and quietly, in all and by all, as is above said, to the foresaid altar and the chaplain who shall be for the time. In witness whereof the common seal of the said burgh is appended to our present charter. Witnesses, honest men, William of Peblis, Thomas Dekisoun, John Madour, John Murchosone, Patrick Tempil, and George Davidstone. At Peblis, the fifteenth day of the month of December, in the year of God one thousand four hundred and seventy-three.

XIII.

LETTERS by King James the Third, under his Great Seal, freeing the Burgesses, Inhabitants, and Community of the Burgh of Peebles from appearing in the courts of the King's Forest of Ettrick. Edinburgh, 5th August 1480.

JACOBUS Dei gracia Rex Scotorum : Omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes literę peruenerint, salutem. NOUERITIS quia nos considerantes et clare intelligentes quod burgus noster de Peblis in liberum burgum regni nostri, per nostros serenissimos predicesores Scotorum Reges, cum libertatibus et priuilegiis in libero burgagio fundatur et infeodatur, consimiliter ut ceteri burgi regni nostri cum priuilegiis burgalibus temporibus elapsis infeodantur ; ex cuius burgi de Peblis conburgensium et communitatis lamentabili relacione concepimus et querela quod ipsi conburgenses et communitas ac inhabitatores eiusdem diuersis temporibus exactis et noviter arrestati attachiati et vocati per officarios nostros Foreste nostre de Ettryk extiterant ad comparendum et respondendum in curia nostra bondarum dicte nostre Foreste, in lesionem et dampnificacionem veterum libertatum et preuilegiorum dicto burgo ex antiquo concessorum. Nos igitur pro singulari fauore quem gerimus erga dictos conburgenses inhabitatores et communitatem dicti burgi, ac perpendentes molestias et grauamina eisdem in dictis suis preuilegiis exhibita

JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots: To all his good men to whom these letters shall come, greeting. Know ye that we considering and clearly understanding that our burgh of Peebles was founded and infest into a free burgh of our kingdom by our most serene predecessors Kings of Scotland with liberties and priuileges in free burgage in the same manner as the other burghs of our kingdom were infest in times past with burghal priuileges ; from the mournful relation and complaint of the burgesses and community of which burgh of Peebles we have understood that the said co-burgesses, community and inhabitants of the same in diuers times past and lately were arrested, attached and summoned by our officers of our Forest of Ettrick to compare and answer in our court of the bounds of our said Forest in loss and damage of the ancient liberties and priuileges granted of old to the said burgh. We therefore, for the singular fauour which we bear to the said co-burgesses inhabitants and community of the said burgh, and considering the troubles and injuries done and to be done in their said priuileges, have exonerated and by these presents exoner

et illata, exonerauimus et per presentes exoneramus, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, imperpetuum dictos conburgenses inhabitatores et communitatem dicti burghi nostri de Peblis et eorum successores dictum burgum inhabitaturos ab omnibus comparicionibus et responsionibus in dictis curiis bondarum prefate nostre Foreste de Ettryk temporibus quibuscunque pro futuris; et si contingat quod dicti conburgenses et communitas vel aliquis eorum transgrediantur seu transgrediatur in destructionem arborum veredum vel in captione ceruorum bestiarum ferarum seu venacionalium de predicta nostra foresta, volumus et ordinamus pro nobis et successoribus nostris quod transgressores et delinquentes huiusmodi puniantur et corrigantur, et quod sua amerciamenta inde proveniencia et cadencia leuentur et capiantur per cognitionem et deliberacionem assise ut interest, in itinere nostro iusticiarie de Peblis et in nulla alia curia extra libertatem dicti Burgi in futurum. Quare vniuersis et singulis balliuis cursoribus officariis et ministris dicte nostre Foreste de Ettrik presentibus et futuris, ceterisque legiis et subditis nostris quorum interest vel interesse poterit, stricte precipimus et mandamus nequis eorum intromittat cum dictis conburgensibus et communitate in arresta attachiamento compulsione vel vocacione eorum aut successorum suorum dicti Burgi conburgensium ad comparendum vel respondendum quibuscunque futuris temporibus in curiis bondarum dicte Foreste nostre de Ettryk, sub omni pena quam

for us and our successors for ever, the said co-burgesses inhabitants and community of our said burgh of Peblis and their successors who shall inhabit the said burgh, from all compearing and answering in the said courts of the bounds of our foresaid Forest of Ettryk in any future times whatsoever; and if it happens that the said co-burgesses and community transgress or any one of them transgresses in the destruction of the green wood, or in the capture of stags wild beasts or other beasts of chase of our foresaid forest, we will and ordain for us and our successors that such transgressors and offenders shall be punished and corrected and that the fines thence produced and derived shall be levied and imposed by the trial and verdict of an assize as effeirs in our justice air of Peblis and in no other court out of the liberty of the said burgh in future. Wherefore, to all and sundry the bailies, couriers, officers, and servants of our said Forest of Ettrik present and future, and our other lieges and subjects whom it can or may concern, we strictly charge and command that none of them interfere with the said co-burgesses and community in arresting, attaching, compelling, or summoning of them or their successors co-burgesses of the said Burgh to compear or answer in any future times whatsoever in the courts of the bounds of our said Forest of Ettryk under

erga nostram regiam incurrere poterit maiestatem; quos balliuos cursores officarios et ministros dicte nostre Foreste presentes et futuros, ex omnibus intromissionibus suis in vocacione arresta et attachiamento ipsorum conburgensium et communitatis et successorum suorum predictorum ad predictas curias bondarum Foreste nostre de Ettryk relaxamus et exoneramus pro perpetuo per presentes. Datum sub magno sigillo nostro apud Edinburgh quinto die mensis Augusti anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo octuagesimo et regni nostri vicesimo primo.

all penalty that can be incurred to our royal majesty; which bailies couriers, officers, and servants of our said Forest present and future we discharge and exoner by these presents for ever from all calling, arresting, and attaching of the said burgesses and commnity and their successors foresaid to the said courts of the bounds of our Forest of Ettryk. Given under our great seal at Edinburgh, on the fifth day of the month of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and eighty, and in the twenty-first of our reign.

XIV.

DECREE of the Lords of Council declaring a deliverance of an Inquisition in the Justice Air of Peebles as to the occupation of the Common of Cademuir, Hommildoune, Venlaw, and Glentress, to be of no force or effect. Edinburgh, 14th February 1480-1.

AT EDINBURGH, the xiiij day of Februar the yer of God j^m iiij^e and lxxx yheris, the lordis of counsale vnderwritin, that is to say, reuerend faderis in Crist, Johne bischop of Glasgow, James bischop of Dunkeld, William bischop of Murray, Robert elect confermit of Aberdene; richt noble and nichti lordis, Andro lord Avandale chancellor of Scotland, Coline erle of Ergile, Johne lord Carlile; Sir William of Knollis preceptour of Torfichin, Maister Archibald of Quhitelaw secretar, Maister Alexander Inglis dene of Dunkeld, Sir James Allerdess provost of Sanctandros, William Elphinstoun officiale of Louthiane, and Johne the Ross of Mountgrenan; in the actione and caus of summondis made at the command of our Souerane Lord, and [at] the instance of his Hienes apoun the persouns that past of befor on ane inquisicioun in the Justice Air of Peblis, for the declaratioun of the

occupacioun of the commoun of Cadmur, Hommilidoun, Venlaw, and Glenters, for thair exceding and superflue deliuering in the said mater forther than thai had power or charge be our Souerane Lordis letteris, the quhill persouns being lauchfully and peremptourly summond, and comperit personaly, thar resouns and allegaciouns with vther evidentis schewin, for the pairt of our Souerane Lord sene, herd, and vnderstandin, the lordis of counsall forsaidis decretis and deliueris that the persouns that past on the said inquisicioun has excedit and superflue deliuerit and determyt in the said mater, becaus thai fand and deliuerit that the said commoun pertenis alanerly to the burgh and communitie of Peblis and to nane vtheris, nochtwithstandin that thair is vther personis that in the tyme of the takin of the samyn inquisicioun baith clamyt and schew evidentis that thai had richt and interes in the sade commoun, and tharfor decernis the said deliuerance determinatioun and retour gevin thairuppoun of na vale force nor effect in tyme tocum. And thir ar the names of thaim that past on the inquisicioun :—Johne Hay of Yester, William of Cokburne of Henrilane, Walter Twedy of Drummelzer, Thomas Porteous of Halkschaw, the lard of Hertre, the lard of Horsbruk, George Tait, Gawin Barde, William of Murray, the lard of Frude, William Inglis, Thomas Haw, William Hay of Geddes, the lard of Dawick, Thomas Diksoun of Ormestoun, the lard of Huchonfeld, the lard of Foulch, and the lard of Chapelhill. Datum et extractum de libro actorum per me Alexandrum Scot clericum consilii regii, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus.—ALEXANDER SCOTT.

XV.

ACT of the Lords Auditors referring a complaint as to the wrongous occupation of the Common of Cademuir and Common Struther to an Inquisition, to be chosen by the next Justice Air at Peebles. Edinburgh, 26th March 1482.

THE actioun and caus persewit be Johne of Gledstans of that ilk, and Thomas of Lowis of Mennar on the ta parte, agane Herbert of Twedy, Patrik Diksoun, Wilyam Diksoun, Jolme Diksoun, and the remanent of the persouns contenit in the summondis on the tother parte, aneat the wrangwis

occupatioun in propirte and sawing of the commoun of Cademure and Commoun Struther, is referrit be the Lordis Auditouris to be determyt and declarit be ane Inquisitioun of worthy and vnsuspect persouns, to be chosin and chargit thairto be our Souerane Lordis Justice in the next Justice Ayre to be haldin at the burgh of Peblis; and lyke as salbe fundin be the said inqueist to be obseruit and kept in tyme to cum. And attour, becaus it is allegit be thè saide Thomas of Lowis that the multuris cornes of the landis of Corscunningfeld to the fourty curne is a pertinence of the saide landis, the lordis auditouris referris that to be determyt and declarit befor the saide Justice be inquisitioun as said is.

XVI.

LETTERS by King James the Fifth to his Justices on the south side of the Forth, to make inquisition in their next Justice Air at Peebles, of the Common of Caidmure and Common Struther. Edinburgh, 6th February, 1484-5.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis: To our Justices on the south syde the Watter of Forth, and to thair deputis, greting. Oure will is and we charge yowstraitlie and commandis that yhe in our nixt Justice Air to be haldin at our burgh of Peblis mak ane deligent inquisicioun and knowlege to be takin of wourthy and vnsuspect persouns anent the occupatioun in propirte and sawing of the commoun of Cademur and Commoun Struthir, debaitable betuix Johne of Gledstanis of that ilk, and Thomas Lowis of Mennar on the ta part, and Herbert Tuedy, Patrik Dicsone, William Diksone, Johne Diksone, and certane vtheris persouns on the tothir pairt; and als becaus it is allegit be the said Thomas of Lowis that the multur of the cornis of the landis of Corscunningfeld to the fourty curne is a pertinens of the said landis, that ye mak ane deligent inquisicioun and kualedge to be takin thairuppoun in lik wis, sua that as salbe fundin be the said inquisicioun to be takin be yow in the saidis materis that the samin be obseruit and kept in tyme cumming; and this ye lefe not vndon as ye will ansuer to ws thairuppoun, and vnder the charge that efter may folow. The quhilkis to do we committ [to you] or any of yow coniunctly or seueraly oure full power be thir

oure letteres, deliuering thaim deuly execut, and indorsit as efferis again to the berar. Gevin vnder our signet at Edinburgh, the vj day of Februar, and of our regne the xxv yere. Per decretum dominorum auditorum causarum et querelarum in parlamento.

XVII.

DELIVERANCE of an Inquisition appointed by the Justice Air at Peebles as to the occupation of the Common of Cademuir and the Common Struther. Peebles, 18th February, 1484-5.

AT the burgh of Peblis, in the Tolbuth of the samyn, the xvijj day of the moneth of Februare the yeire of oure Lord a thousand foure hundreth auchty and foure yeris, in oure Souerrane Lordis Justice Are haldin at the said burgh, in presens of ane noble lord Wilyame lord Borthwic, depute to noble and nichty lordis Androw lord Avandale and Robert lord Lile, Justicis til oure Souerane Lord the king on the southe parte the Water of Forth, generally constitute, comperit in jugement Johne Dikysoun of Smeithfeld, Patrye Dikysoun, Robert Dikysoun, Gilbert Wiliamesoun and Martine of Balcasky burges of the saide burgh, with the laif of the comunite of the samyn, and present to the saide justice depute certane letteres vndir oure Souerane Lordis signet direct to him vppoun the takin of ane inquisicioun in the saide Are of the Commoun of Cadismwre and the Commoun Struther, debatable betuix the said comunite and Johne of Gledstanis of that ilk and Thomas of Lowes of Mennar, twiching the possessioun of the saide comunite clamit in propirte be thame to the saide commoun of Cadismwr and the saide Commoun Struthir, and vppoun the multuris of the landis of Corseunynngfeld clamit be the said Thomas to be rowme fre in the myln of Peblis, eftir the tenoure of ane act of the lordis auditouris of causis and complayntis of oure Souerane Lordis parliament gevin thaireuppoun, and referrit be the saidis auditouris to be decydit be ane inqueist in the saide Are: Baith the saidis partiis beand personaly present and consentand to the juge the court and the inqueist, the saide justice depute efter the [hail]l evidentis richtis ressounis and documentis of baith the saidis partiis schewing and productit in jugement at the command of our saide Souerane Lordis letteres, gert cheis

ane inqueyst of thir persouns vndirwrittin, that is to say, Wilyame Portowis of Blandewin, Charlis of Geddes, Thomas Hay of Hoprew, Thome Mydilmaist of Grevistoun, William of Dudingstoun of the Southous, Symoun Fresale, William of Halden of that ilk, Johne of Rowmano of that ilk, Wilyame of Murehede of Bourehill, Oswald of Cokburne, William the Vaich, Johnne Burnet of Burnetland, Wilyame Geddes, Walter the Vaich and Johnne Thomesoun of Mynzaire, the quhilkis persouns beand sworne to the deliuerance of the said debatable causis betuix the saidis partiis, deliuerit in this maner followand, that is to say:—We find at the communite of the burgh of Peblis is in possessioun in propirte of the occupacioun and sawing of the commoun of Cadismwre and Commoun Strouthir, debatable betuix thame and Johne of Gledstanis of that ilk and Thomas of Lowis of Mennar; and als we find at the cornes of Corscunnyngfeld aucht to be rowme free in the myln of Peblis to the fourti corne, bot we wist thame neuir havand vse thaireof. **DATUM** et extractum de libro adiurnati supreni domini nostri Regis, per me Magistrum Ricardum Lawsoun clericum Justiciarie domini nostri Regis generalem, sub sigillo officii Justiciarie dicti domini nostri regis, sigillis quorundum qui diete inquisitioni intererunt, meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. **GIVEN** and extracted from the book of adjournal of our sovereign lord the King, by me Mr Richard Lawsoun general clerk of the justiciary of our lord the King, under the seal of the office of the said justiciary of our lord the King, the seals of those who passed on the said inquest, and my sign and subscription manual.

R. LAUSOUN, manu propria.

XVIII.

JUDICIAL RENUNCIATION by William Peblis of right to the common pasturage of Cadmure. Edinburgh, 17th January, 1505-6.

APUD EDINBURGH, decimo septimo Januarii anno Domini millesimo quinquagesimo quinto. In presencia dominorum consilii Supreni Domini Nostri Regis pro tribunali sedentium, viz., reuerendorum in Cristo patrum, Willelmi

AT EDINBURGH, the seventeenth day of January, the year of God one thousand five hundred and five. In presence of the lords of the council of our sovereign lord, the king underwritten, viz., reverend fathers in Christ, William bishop of Aberdeen,

episcopi Aberdonensis, Daud episcopi Lismorensis; nobiliumque dominorum Heugonis domini Montgumery, Jacobi domini Ogilvy, Willelmi domini Carlile; ac venerabilium in Cristo patrum, Georgei et Georgii abbatum de Arbroth et Sancte Crucis; Magistri Ricardi Lawsoun de Hieriggis, et Magistri Jacobi Henrisoun:—Quo die, Adam Peblis, summonitus ad instanciam balliuorum et communitatis de Peblis super certis contrauersis inter ipsos motis erga communem pasturam de Caidmur, fatebatur et publice concessit se nullam proprietatem aut aliquam jus habere seu vindicare in prefata communi pastura de Caidmure preterquam ut vicinus seu burgensis dicti burgi de Peblis et aliter non. Super quibus Martinus Balkasky nomine et ex parte dictorum balliuorum et communitatis dicti burgi de Peblis, sibi fieri vnum seu plura instrumentum seu instrumenta [petiit]. Acta erant hec in pretorio burgi de Edinburgh hora novena ante meridiem vel eocirca, etc.

JOHANNES MURRAY, ad premissa notarius publicus.

David bishop of Argyle; of noble lords, Hugh lord Montgumery, James lord Ogilvy, William lord Carlile, and venerable fathers in Christ, George and George abbots of Arbroath and Holyrood; Master Richard Lawsoun of Hieriggis, and Master James Henrisoun:—Which day, Adam Peblis, summoned at the instance of the bailies and community of Peblis, upon certain disputes arisen between them concerning the common pasturage of Caidmur, acknowledged and publicly admitted that he did not have or claim any property or right in the foresaid common pasture of Caidmure, except as a neighbour or burgess of the said burgh of Peblis, and not otherwise. Whereupon Martin Balkasky, in the name and behalf of the said bailies and community of the said burgh of Peblis, asked one or more instrument or instruments to be made to him. Done within the tolbooth of the burgh of Edinburgh the ninth hour before noon or thereabouts.

JOHN MURRAY, Notary Public in the premises.

XIX.

RATIFICATION by King James IV. of a Decree (dated 17 January 1505) of the Lords of Council relative to the common lands of Cadmuir. Edinburgh, 5th February, 1505-6.

JACOBUS, Dei gracia, Rex Scotorum : Omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes litere peruenerint salutem. SCIATIS nos quoddam actum siue decretum per dominos nostri consilii inferius discriptos datum et promulgatum vtique intellexisse, sub hac forma :—[JAMES, by the grace of God, King of Scots : To all his good men to whom the present letters shall come, greeting. Know ye that we have fully considered a certain act or decree given and pronounced by the lords of our council underwritten, in this form]:—At Edinburgh, the xvij day of Januare, the yere of God ane thowsand five hundredth and five yeris, the lordis of counsalle vnder writtin, that is to say, reuerend faderis in God, Williame bischop of Abirdene, Dauid bischop of Ergile; nobile and mighty lordis, Hew lord Montgumry, James lord Ogilvy, Williame lord Carlile; venerable faderis in God, George abbot of Arbroth, George abbot of Halirudehous; Maister Richart Lawsoun of Hieriggis and Maister James Henrisoun, in the actioun and cause persewit be the baillies and communitie of the burgh of Peblis agane Williame Dikkesoun, Johne Lyntoun, Robert Tod eldar, Robert Tod youngar, Johne Lausoun, Thomas Lilla, Patrik Thomsoun, Patrik Lausoun, Williame Phillop, Thomas Lyntoun, Patrik Thomsoun, Johne Huchesoun, Robert Patersoun, Richart Dike, William Lausoun, Thomas Michelsoun, Dauid Tod, Williame Querland, Thomas Querland, and Johne Thornbrand, for the wrangwis occupatioun, pasturing, and manuring of thair commoun landis of Caidmur, without tak or licens of thame, and for the wrangwis brekin of the ground tharof, distructioun and downecasting of thar dikis and merchis of the sammyu, and wrangwis vexacioun and trubling of the said baillies and communitie in the peceable browkin and occupying of thar said commoun landis, like as at mar lenth is contenit in the summondis thairapoun; the said baillies and communitie

comperand be Mertyn Balkasky and William Bell, burges of the said burgh thar procuratouris, and the said Williame Dikesoun and the remanent of the forenemit persons comperand be Johne of Gledstanis of Coklaw, quhilk tuke the mater upoun him and allegiit that ane part of the said persouns was his tennentis and occupiit the sammyn be his richt, as he that had commoun pastur in the said landis of Caidmur, togidder with the remanent of thar richtis resouns and allegaciouns herd sene and vnderstude and thairwith being ripely avisit; the lordis of counsale decretis and deliueris that the said Johne of Gledstanis and the remanent of the persouns aboue writtin dois wrang in the occupacioun, pasturing, and manuring of the said commoun landis of Caidmur, and in the vexin and trubling of the said ballies and communitie in the peceable browkin and occupying of the sammyn, and tharfor ordanis thame to desist and ceis thairfra in tyme to cum, to be browkit and joysit be the said ballies and communitie as thar commoun landis, efter the form of ane deliuerance of ane inqueist quhilk past thairapoun be ordinance of ane decrete of Parliament gevin in the said mater, at Edinburgh, the xxvj day of Marche, the yere of God a thowsand four hundr-th aughty and twa yeris, vnder the signe and subscrip-tioun manuale of Maister Alexander Inglis, clerk of the Register, the quhilk inqueist wes tane at Peblis, in the Tolbuth of the sammyn, the xvij day of Februar in the yere of God a thowsand foure hundredth aughty and four yeris, in the Justice Air haldin at the said burgh be Williame lord Borthuik depute to Andro lord Avandale, and Robert lord Lile, justicis to oure Souerane Lord, quhilk deliuerance of inqueist bur that it was fundyn be the persouns that past upoun the sammyn that the communitie of the burgh of Peblis wes in possessioun in propirte of the occupatioun and sawing of the commoun of Cadmur and Commoun Struthir debatable betuex thame and Johne of Gledstanis of that ilk, and Thomas Lewis of Mennar; and ordanis our Souerane Lordis letteres to be direct herapoun for the keping of the said baillies and communitie in the possessioun of thar said landis of Caidmur in dew form as efferis; and as to the costis, skathis, dampnagis, and expen-is sustenit bethe said baillies and communitie, assignis to thame the xx day of Julii nixt to cum, with continuacioun of dayis, and ordanis thame to haue letteres to summond sic witnes and probaciouns as thai will vse for the preving of the sammyn agane the said day, and the parteis be thame selff and thair procuratouris are warrit hereof *apud acta*. EXTRACTUM

de libro actorum per me magistrum Johannem Murray deputatum honorabilis viri Magistri Gawini Dunbar archidiaconi Sanctiandree clerici rotulorum registri ac consilii supremi domini nostri regis sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. QUODQUIDEM actum siue decretum ac omnia et singula in eodem contenta in omnibus et per omnia approbamus ratificamus et per presentes, vt premissum est, confirmamus. Datum sub testimonio magni sigilli nostri apud Edinburgh, quinto die mensis Februarii, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinto et regni nostri decimo octavo. [EXTRACTED from the book of acts by me master John Murray, deputy of an honourable man, master Gavin Dunbar, archdeacon of St Andrews, clerk of the rolls register and council of our sovereign lord the king under my sign and subscription manual. WHICH act or decree, and all and sundry contained therein, in all and by all, we approve, ratify, and by these presents as is premised, confirm. Given under the testimony of our great seal at Edinburgh, the fifth day of the month of February, in the year of God one thousand five hundred and five, and in the eighteenth of our reign.]

XX.

CHARTER of Confirmation and Novodamus by King James the Fourth, under his Great Seal, to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Peebles of their privileges and possessions. Edinburgh, 24th July 1506.

JACOBUS, Dei gracia Rex Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis, salutem. Sciatis quia quondam nobilissimus progenitor et auus noster bone memorie Jacobus secundus Scotorum Rex, cuius anime propicietur Deus, habens considerationem lamentabilis querele et proposicionis conburgensium et communitatis burgi sui de Peblis, qualiter antiquis retroactis temporibus per guerrarum discrimina et ignium incendia carte

JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots: To all good men of his whole land, clergy and laity, greeting. Know ye that whereas our late most noble progenitor and grandfather of good memory James the Second King of Scots, on whose soul may God have mercy, having consideration of the lamentable complaint and proposition of the co-burgesses and community of his burgh of Peblis, likeas in

euidencie et singule sue litere predecessoribus suis dicti burgi conburgensibus, super infeodacione et libertatibus eiusdem burgi date et concesses, distructe combuste et adnullate penitus extiterant, idcirco pro zelo et fauore quos ipse quondam auus noster dictis conburgensibus et communitati gerebat eis, concessit et pro se et successoribus suis ratificauit approbavit, et pro perpetuo confirmauit, dictis conburgensibus et communitati ac suis successoribus, totas et integras infeodaciones libertates priuilegia sasinas et possessiones eis et dicto burgo per antecessores suos aliquo tempore retroacto factas et concessas : Et nunc vero nos, ad perfectam nostram etatem existentes et consimiles consideraciones habentes sicut dictus quondam auus noster dictis conburgensibus et communitati habuit, et pro singulari fauore quem apud eos gerimus, dedimus et concessimus, et hac presenti carta nostra pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo de nouo damus et concedimus, prefatis conburgensibus et communitati et suis successoribus, omnes libertates sasinas priuilegia et possessiones per ipsos et suos predecessores prius habitas et vsitatas ; ac approbauimus ratificauimus et confirmauimus, et hac presenti carta nostra approbamus ratificamus et confirmamus, totas et integras infeodaciones sasinas possessiones et priuilegia dicto burgo aliquo tempore retroacto super huiusmodi infeodacionibus et libertatibus datas et concessas, cum potestate dictis conburgensibus et

times long bypast by the hazard of war and fire their charters, evidents, and the several deeds given and granted by his predecessors to the co-burgesses of the said Burgh concerning the infetments and liberties of the same having been entirely destroyed, burned, and annihilated, therefore for the zeal and fauour which our said late grandfather bore to the said co-burgesses and community, he granted to them and for himself and his successors ratified, approved, and for ever confirmed to the said co-burgesses and community and their successors all and whole the infetments, liberties, priuileges, sasines and possessions made and granted to them and to the said burgh by his predecessors in any time past : And we now having arrived at our perfect age and having similar considerations as our said deceased grandfather had for the said co-burgesses and community, and for the singular fauour which we bear to them, have given and granted and by this our present charter for us and our successors for ever of new give and grant to the foresaid co-burgesses and community and their successors all liberties, sasines, priuileges, and possessions had and enjoyed by them and their predecessors of before ; and we have approved, ratified, and confirmed, and by this our present charter approve, ratify, and confirm all and whole the infetments, sasines, possessions, and priuileges given and granted to the said burgh concerning the said infetments and liberties in any time past, with power to the said co-

communitati ad habendas et tenendas curias cum creatione conburgensium suorumque conburgensium et inhabitantium dicti burgi replegiacionibus; vnacum firma burgali et paruis custumis, curiarum eschaetis et amerciammentis, officiariorum electionibus, transgressorum infra dictum burgum punitionibus sicut et ceteri nostri burgi habent; vnacum molendinis et signanter molendino nunc super latus montis castrī nostri de Peblis constructo et edificato, cum locis siue aqueductibus molendinorum videlicet, *le myldammys* multuris et eorum sequelis et edificiis nunc super latus dicti castrī montis constructis, quodquidem molendinum et que edificia nunc super latus dicti castrī montis constructa sursum reddita fuerunt in generali inquisitione in itinere nostre iusticiarie tenta apud dictum burgum de Peblis in mense Maii vltimo elapso per dilectum consanguineum Andream dominum Gray nostrum iusticiarium generalem; aceciam cum aquis piscariis aucupacionibus venacionibus quantum antecessoribus nostris ante dicti burgi infeodacionem spectabat et pertinebat; cum montibus terris et vallibus et vsu eorundem ad communes terras suas de Cadmure Hommyldoune et Venlaw et le Commoun Struthir et ad vtendum et gaudendum eisdem per pasturacionem aracionem et seminacionem prout eis magis videbitur expediens et opportunum, et sicut ipsi et predecessores sui eisdem prius gaudebant et vtebantur, cum communi pastura libero introitu et exitu ad communem de Glencars a solis

burgesses and community to have and hold courts with the creation of co-burgesses and repledging of their co-burgesses and inhabitants of the said Burgh; together with the burgh mail and petty customs, the escheats and amerciements of courts, the elections of officers and punishing of transgressors within the said burgh likeas our other burghs possess; together with mills, and specially the mill now constructed and built upon the side of our castle hill of Peebles, with the places or aqueducts of the mills, to wit, mill dams, multures and their sequels and the buildings now constructed upon the side of the said castle hill, which mill and buildings now constructed upon the side of the said castle hill were resigned in the general inquisition in our justice air held at the said Burgh of Peebles in the month of May last past, by our beloved cousin Andrew, Lord Gray, our Justice General; and also with the waters, fishings, fowlings, and huntings which belonged and pertained to our predecessors before the infeftment of the said burgh; with the hills lands and valleys and the use of the same upon their common lands of Cadmure, Hommyldoune, and Venlaw and the Common Struthir and with the use and enjoyment of the same for pasturage, tillage, and sowing so far as to them shall seem expedient and necessary, and as they and their predecessors formerly enjoyed and used the same, with the common pasture free ish and entry to the common of

ortu vsque ad occasum eiusdem, ac viarum et semitarum communium exercionibus vt eis consuetum fuerat pro focalibus et aliis necessariis dicto burgo et communitati ducendis et portandis, sine aliquo impedimento cuiuscunque persone seu quarumcunque personarum circa commorantis seu commorantium dictum burgum; cum communi pastura super moram nominatam *le Kingis mure* in passagio de Cadmure, et adeo libere sicut dictus burgus aliquo priuilegiorum predictorum retroactis temporibus sine in tempore predecessorum nostrorum gaudebat et possedebat. TENENDUM ET HABENDUM dictum burgum de Peblis in burgo et burgagiis predictis conburgensibus et communitati et suis successoribus, de nobis et successoribus nostris, in feodo et hereditate ac libero burgagio imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine, cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus vtilitatibus proficuis priuilegiis molendinis multuris et viarum ac semitarum communium exercionibus pro focalibus et aliis vtilitatibus et necessariis dicto burgo et communitati vt premititur ducendis et portandis, sine quocunque obstaculo aut impedimento quarumcunque personarum dictum burgum circa commorantium; ac cum omnibus aliis commoditatibus, tam subtus terra quam supra terram tam, nou nominatis quam nominatis, procul et prope, ad infeodacionem dicti burgi antiquitus spectantibus seu de jure spectare valen-

Glencars from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, and the use of the roads and common paths as to them was customary for leading and carrying fuel and other necessaries to the said burgh and community without hindrance from any person or persons whomsoever dwelling near the said Burgh; with common pasture upon the mure called the King's Mure in the way to Cadmure and as freely as the said Burgh enjoyed and possessed any of the said privileges in times past or in the time of our predecessors. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said Burgh of Peebles in burgh and burgages to the foresaid co-burgesses and community and their successors of us and our successors in fee and heritage and free burgage for ever by all their ancient rights, marches, and divisions, as they lie in length and breadth with all and singular liberties, commodities, usages, profits, privileges, mills, multures and use of roads and common paths for leading and carrying fuel and other useful and necessary articles to the said burgh and community as before mentioned without obstacle or hindrance of whatsoever persons dwelling near the said Burgh; and with all other rights as well under the earth as above the earth, as well not named as named, far and near, anciently pertaining or which might of right pertain in time to come to the infetment of the said Burgh, freely,

tibus quomodolibet in futurum, libere quiete bene et in pace, sine impedimento vel revocatione aliqua, et adeo libere et quiete sicut dicti conburgenses et communitas dicti burgi dictis suis priuilegiis libertatibus et commoditatibus prius aliquo tempore retroacto habebant et vtebantur. REDDENDO inde annuatim dicti conburgenses et communitas dicti burgi de Peblis et sui successores, nobis et successoribus nostris in scaccario nostro, duodecim mercas vsualis monete regni Scoocie nomine annui redditus, et viginti sex solidos et octo denarios predictae monete magistro hospitalis Sancti Leonardi, iuxta dictum burgum de Peblis, in puram et perpetuam elimosinam pro salute anime nostre et animarum predecessorum et successorum nostrorum regum Scoocie, prout prius persoluebant tantum, pro omni alio seruicio onere exactione seu demanda que de dicto burgo pro priuilegiis et libertatibus predictis exigi poterit vel requiri. IN CUIUS rei testimonium presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precipimus. Testibus, reuerendo in Cristo patre Willelmo episcopo Abirdonensi nostri secreti sigilli custode; dilectis consanguineis nostris, Archibaldo comite de Ergile domino Campbele et Lorne magistro hospitii nostri, Patricio comite de Boithuile domino Halys etc., Matheo comite de Levenax domino Dernlie, Alexandro domino Hume magno camerario nostro, Andrea domino Gray justiciario nostro, venerabili in Cristo patre Jacobo abbate de Dunfermling

quietly, and in peace without impediment, hindrance, or revocation whatever, and that as freely and quietly as the said co-burgesses and community of the said Burgh held and enjoyed their privileges, liberties, and commodities at any former time. PAYING therefor yearly the said co-burgesses and community of the said Burgh of Peebles and their successors to us and our successors in our treasury twelve merks of the usual money of the kingdom of Scotland in name of annual rent and twenty-six shillings and eight pennies of the money foresaid to the Master of the Hospital of Saint Leonard near the said Burgh of Peebles in pure and perpetual alms for the health of our soul and of the souls of our predecessors and successors Kings of Scotland, as they paid of before, for all other service, burden, exaction, or demand which can be claimed, asked, or required of the said Burgh for the privileges and liberties foresaid. In testimony whereof we have commanded our great seal to be appended to our present charter. Witnesses, the reverend father in Christ William bishop of Aberdeen, keeper of our privy seal; our beloved cousins Archibald earl of Argyll lord Campbell and Lorne master of our household, Patrick earl of Bothwell lord Hailes, etc., Matthew earl of Lennox lord Darnley, Alexander lord Hume our great chamberlain, Andrew lord Gray our justiciary, the venerable father in Christ James abbot of Dunfermline our treasurer, and our beloved clerk master

thesaurario nostro; et dilecto clerico nostro magistro Gawino Dunbar archidiacono Sanctiandree nostrorum rotulorum et registri ac consilii clerico. Apud Edinburgh vicesimo quarto die mensis Julii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo sexto et regni nostri decimo nono.

Gavin Dunbar archdeacon of Saint Andrews clerk of our rolls register and council At Edinburgh on the twenty-fourth day of the month of July in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and six and in the nineteenth of our reign.

XXI.

INSTRUMENT of Renunciation by Robert Toid, senior, and others, of rights of pasturage in the Common of Cadmwr. Peblis, 2d January, 1506-7.

IN Dei nomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat euidenter quod anno incarnationis Dominicæ millesimo quingentesimo sexto, mensis vero Januarii die secunda, indictione decima, pontificatus sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Julii diuina prouidentia pape secundi anno quarto: In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia, in pretorio burgi de Peblis, coram balliis et certis comburgensibus congregatis, pro vtilitate dicti burgi, comparuerunt certos inhabitantes prope limites de Cadmwr, viz., de Hundwellishop, Wraa, Mylton, et Hawyardis, quorum nomina subsecuntur, inprimis Robertus Toid, senior, Patricius Lawson, Thomas Lillay, Willelmus Filhop, Johannes Tomson,

IN the name of God, Amen. Be it manifest to all men by this present public instrument that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord, one thousand five hundred and six, the second day of the month of January, the tenth indiction, the fourth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our lord, the Lord Julius the Second, by divine providence Pope: In presence of me, notary public and witnesses underwritten, in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, before the bailies and certain co-burgesses there assembled for the benefit of the said burgh, appeared certain persons dwelling near the marches of Cadmwr, viz., of Hundwellishop, Wraa, Mylton, and Hawyardis, the names of whom follow, in the first place, Robert Toid, senior, Patrick Lawson, Thomas Lillay, William Filhop, John Tomson,

Patricius Tomson, Willelmus Querlance, Thomas Querlance, Patricius Hoig, Johannes Lawson, et Thomas Michelson, et confessi sunt, publica voce singillatim et nominatim, se iniuste occupasse, nocte ac die, cum suis pecoribus in preteritis temporibus, communes pasturas de le Cadmwr in pasturis et lesuris, pertinentes hereditarie dictis balliuis et communitati dicti burgi de Peblis, pro quibus iniustis occupationibus deponunt se singillatim in voluntate et fauore dictorum balliuorum et communitatis, et promiserunt se, vnanimi consensu et nominatim, fide media, et per exhibitionem et deliberationem manuum suarum dictis balliuis, abstinere in futuris ab eisdem occupationibus pascuis et lesuris. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis sic dictis et actis, Willelmus Bell tesaurarius dicti burgi, nomine balliuorum et communitatis, a me notario publico petiit vnum aut plura, publicum aut publica, instrumentum aut instrumenta. Acta erant hec in pretorio burgi de Peblis, hora secunda post meridiem uel eo circa, anno, die, mense, indictione, et pontificatu quibus supra. Presentibus ibidem Henrico Carmechell, Jacobo Tomson, et Johanne Glaschen, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa specialiter requisitis.

Et ego Patricius Stanhous presbiter Glasguensis diocesis [*notarius, etc.*]

Patrick Tomson, William Querlance, Thomas Querlance, Patrick Hoig, John Lawson, and Thomas Michelson, and acknowledged with public voice, singly and by name, to have unjustly occupied, by night and day, with their sheep, in times past, the common pasturages of Cadmwr in pasturing and grazing, pertaining heritably to the said bailies and community of the said burgh of Peblis, for which unjust occupations they put themselves, each singly, in the will and favour of the said bailies and community, and promised, with joint consent and by name, in good faith, and by showing and delivering their hands to the said bailies, to cease in time coming the said occupation, pasturing, and grazing. Whereupon all and singular so said and done, William Bell, treasurer of the said burgh, in name of the burgesses and community, asked from me, notary public, one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, at the second hour afternoon or thereabouts, in the year, day, month, indiction and pontificate above written : There being present Henry Carmechell, James Tomson, and John Glaschen, with sundry other witnesses, specially required to the premises.

And I, Patrick Stanhous, priest of the diocese of Glasgow, notary, etc.

XXII.

LETTERS of Protection granted by King James the Fourth, under his Privy Seal, to the merchants and inhabitants of the Burgh of Peebles. Edinburgh, 16th February, 1509-10.

JAMES, be the grace of God, King of Scottis : To all and sindry our liegis and subditis quham it efferis quhais knowlege thir owre letteres salcum, greting : Wit ye ws to haif takin vnder oure speciale manteinance protectioun defence supple and saufigard oure louittis all the merchandis and inhabitantis oure burgh of Peblis and the fredome thairof, and all and sindry thair landis rentis possessiouns housis biggingis tennentis millis multuris fischingis woddis watteris, and all the commone pertenyng to our said burgh, thar pette custumis takkis malingis fermes annuellis corne catall familiare servandis factouris procuratouris intromettouris, and all and sindry thar gudis, movable and vnmovable, quharsumeuir thai be, within oure realme ; Quharfore we charge straitly and commandis yow all and sindry, our liegis and subditis forsaidis, that nane of yow tak apoun hand to do to the said merchandis and inhabitantis oure said burgh of Peblis and the fredome thairof, thar landis rentis possessiouns housis biggingis tennentis myllis multuris fischingis woddis watteris, and all the commoun pertenyng to our said burgh, thair takkis malingis fermes annuellis pette custumis corne catell familiare servandis factouris procuratouris intromettouris or gudis forsaidis, ony euil violence molestacioun distribulance iniure harne or greif, in ony maner of degre, vther wais than the cours of commoun law will, vnder all the hiest pane charge and offence that ye and ilk ane of yow may committ and irin agane oure Maiesty in that part. Gevin vnder oure priue sele at Edinburgh the xvj day of Februare, the yere of God j^mv^e nyne yeris, and of oure regne the xxij yere.

[*Dorso* :] The [. . . day of the] monath of Februar the yer of God ane thousand fyf hundredth and nyne yeris, I Johne Bennet, kingis sergeand

of the scherefdome of Peblis, passit to the mercatt crois of the samyn, and thair opynlye before the hail mercat thair present, [proclomit this] proteccioun vnder oure Souerane Lordis priway seil efter the tenor form and effect of the sammyn, befoir thir witness : Walter Hunter of Powmond, Walter Hunter his sone, Thomas Hunter, Thomas Andersoun in the Bordland, Thomas Lewis, Robin Toid, Peris Smaill, Robin Delmehoie, wyth other diuers ; and for the mar witnessing I haf put to my signet.

XXIII.

INSTRUMENT of Foundation by William Alan, burgess of Peebles, of an altarage in the Parish Kirk of St Andrew, and Institution of Sir Robert Brewhous thereto. 29th April, 1517.

IN Dei nomine, Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat euidenter quod anno incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo decimo septimo, mensis uero Aprilis die penultimo, indictione quinta, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri, domini Leonis diuina prouidencia pape decimi, anno quinto ; In mei notarii publici et testium infra-scriptorum presentia, personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Willelmus Alane burgensis de Peblis, non vi aut metu ductus compulsus, nec errore lapsus, seu dolo circumuentus, sed ex sua mera libera pura et spontanea voluntate, et proprio motu, vt apparuit, omnibus melioribus modo via iure forma pariter et effectu quibus melius et efficacius potuit et debet, fecit constituit creauit

IN the name of God, Amen. By this present public instrument be it made manifest to all, that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and seventeen, the twenty-ninth day of the month of April, the fifth indiction, and the fifth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord the lord Leo the Tenth, by diuine providence pope. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man William Alane, burgess of Peblis, not influenced or compelled by force or fear, nor deceived by error, nor circumvented by fraud, but of his mere free, pure, and spontaneous will and proper motive, as appeared, in every manner, way, right, form and effect, by which he might, and most effectually could, made, constituted, created, nominated, and

nominavit ac solemniter ordinavit, tenoreque presentis instrumenti facit constituit creat nominat et solemniter, ac irrevocabiliter ordinat balliuos consules et conburgenses burgi de Peblis imperpetuum futuris temporibus, veros legitimos et irrevocabiles patronos tutores et datores sui altaris siue capellanie fundande, et situande infra ecclesiam parochialem beati Andree de Peblis, in honore Dei omnipotentis, gloriose semperque Virginis Marie, et Sancti Cristoferi martiris; DANDO ET COMMITTENDO dictis balliuis consulibus et conburgensibus ommimodam plenam et irrevocabilem potestatem infuturum ad elegendum presentandum admittendum et instituendum vnum condignum capellanum bone fame et lecterature, toties quoties, in et ad huiusmodi altare siue capellaniam beati Cristoferi cum ipsum vacare contigerit prout de iure possit: Quiquidem capellanus orare et celebrare tenebitur omni die cum dispositus fuerit in corpore et anima, in propria persona, ad huiusmodi altare siue capellaniam beati Cristoferi, pro salute anime prefati Willelmi Alane, et animarum patris matris fratrum sororum antecessorum successorum et parentum suorum, ac omnium fidelium defunctorum, nec non pro balliuis et communitate de Peblis; Et similiter ministrare et cantare in choro de Peblis prout ceteri capellani faciunt: Et pro prima vice prefatus Willelmus Alane elegit et presentavit Dominum Robertum Brewhous capellanum ad huiusmodi altare beati Cristoferi, ad ministrandum in eodem vt dictum est,

solemnly and irrevocably ordained the baillies, councillors, and co-burgesses of the burgh of Peblis, in all future time for ever, true, lawful and irrevocable patrons, defenders, and presenters of his altar or chaplainry to be founded and situate within the parish church of St Andrew of Peblis, in honour of Almighty God, of the glorious Mary ever virgin, and of St Christopher the martyr; GIVING AND COMMITTING to the said baillies, councillors and co-burgesses complete full and irrevocable power for ever to elect, present, admit, and institute a worthy chaplain of good fame and literature, as often as necessary, in and to the said altar and chaplainry of St Christopher, when the same should be vacant, in the same manner as he could do by law: Which chaplain should be bound to celebrate every day, when so disposed in body and soul, in his proper person, at the said altar or chaplainry of St Christopher, for the health of the soul of the foresaid William Alane, and the souls of his father, mother, brothers, sisters, ancestors, successors and relatives, and all faithful dead, and also for the baillies, and community of Peblis; and likewise to minister and sing in the choir of Peblis as the other chaplains do. And for the first turn the said William Alane elected and presented Sir Robert Brewhous, chaplain to the said altar of St Christopher, to minister thereat as aforesaid, for

pro toto tempore vite ipsius Domini Roberti. Insuper prefatus Willelmus Alane legauit ducentas libras vsualis monete Scotie ad emendum terras fundos et annuos redditus pro sustentatione diuini cultus fiende et celebrande ad predictum altare beati Cristoferi vt premissum est, quasquidem ducentas libras monete suis propriis manibus Thome Wilsoun, burgensis de Peblis, deliberauit, ad emendum prefatas terras fundos et annuos redditus, et ad reparandum huiusmodi altare beati Cristoferi in ceteris suis necessariis sibi pertinenciis. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis prefatus Willelmus Alane dominus constituens a me, notario publico subscripto, sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica, instrumentum seu instrumenta: Acta erant hec in camera anteriori sepedicti Willelmi Alane, hora quinta in mane aut eocirca, anno, mense, die, indictione, et pontificatu quibus supra: Presentibus ibidem honestis et discretis viris, Duthaco Patersoun, Andrea Henrisoun, Nimiano Lewis, burgensibus de Peblis, Domino Adam Lewis capellano, et Domino Patricio Stanhous, capellano ac notario publico, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis pariter et requisitis.

Et ego Willelmus Newby, presbyter, Glasguensis, diocesis [*notarius etc.*]

the whole time of the life of the said Sir Robert. Moreover, the foresaid William Alane gave two hundred pounds of the usual money of Scotland, to buy lands, grounds, and annualrents for the support of divine worship, to be made and celebrated at the foresaid altar of St Christopher as aforesaid; which two hundred pounds of money, he delivered with his own hands to Thomas Wilson, burgess of Peblis, to purchase the foresaid lands, grounds and annualrents, and to repair the said altar of St Christopher in necessary things belonging to it. Wherenpon all and singular the foresaid William Alane, the constituent, asked me, notary public, subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the outer chamber of the foresaid William Alane, at five o'clock in the morning or thereabouts, in the year, month, day, indiction, and pontificate above written, there being present honest and discreet men, Duthac Paterson, Andrew Henrisoun, Nimian Lewis, burgesses of Peblis, Sir Adam Lewis chaplain, and Sir Patrick Stanhous, chaplain and notary public, with diuers other witnesses also called and required to the premises.

And I William Newby, priest of the diocese of Glasgow, notary etc.

XXIV.

LETTERS by King James the Fifth, under his Privy Seal, requiring certain persons to answer at the Justice Air of Peebles for troubling the Bailies, Council, and Community of Peebles in their possession of the lands of Cademuir, and to find lawburrows. Edinburgh, 8th June, 1518.

JAMES, be the grace of God, King of Scottis: To our Shereff of Peblis, and his deputtis, and to our louittis, Dauid Cameroun, Duncane Riche, Dauid Lourye, messingeris, our shereffis in that part, coniunctlie and severalie special constitut, greting. Forsamekle as it is humely menit and complenit to ws be our louitis the ballies, counsale, and commuite of our burgh of Peblis that quhar thai haue the landis of Caidmur with the pertinence pertenyng to thame as thar proper landis in commoun, and hes bene in possessioun thair of and thair predicessouris sen the first infeftment of our said burgh, and xij yeris syne Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw trubillit thame in thair possessioun of thair saidis landis, for the quhilk thai conuenit him befor the Lordis of vmqhile our derrest faderis counsale and schew thar ald infeftment, and optenit thair decrete aganis him thairapoun decernand the saidis landis to pertene to thame, and decernand the said Johne to desist fra all intrometting thairwith and trubilling of thame thairintill, as the decrete gevin be the saidis Lordis beris, as is allegit; and be virtu thair of thai haue broukit thar saidis landis peceabilly ay sen syne quhil now laitly, our derrest cousing the Governour being absent, the said Johne, traisting trubill in the cuntre, beginnis of new to maligne aganis thame, and this last Sunday he send his houshald men and seruandis, and cruelly dang and hurt thair hirdis and seruandis that were keptand thair corne and gudis within thair said propir landis, and left twa of thame liand on the feild for deid, and boundit thair cattale furth of thar avne ground, and quhen thai come efter none to seike thair hurt servandis that wer left for deid, the said Johne, perseuerand in his ewill mynd, send furth Johne of Gledstanis, his nevoy and apperand air, Archibald Gledstanis, his sone, Johne Michelsoun, and vtheris thair complices, with conuocation of our liegis, to the novmer of xxvj bodin men in fer of wer, with women and

childer in gret multitude, and cruelly invadit thame within thair avne grund vpon forthocht felony for thair slauchter and chasit thame out of thair avne grond, doand that wes in thame to haue slane them, and tendis on force to spulye thame of thair saidis landis contrar the said decrete, and without ony ordour of law, in hie contempcioun of our autorite and lawis, as is inlikuis allegeit. Oure will is herefor, and we charge you straitly and commandis that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye pas and tak sicker souerte of the saidis personis and thair complices sa mony as the ballies and communitie forsaid will mak faith wer art and part of the saidis crimes, and gevis thair names in bill that thai sall comper befor our Justice the second day of our nixt Justice Air of Peblis, or sonar quhar it sall ples ws, vpon xv dais warnyng, to vnderly our lawis for the saidis crimes, ilk persoun vnder the pane of law ; and als that ye tak sicker souerte and lauborrowis of the saidis personis and thair complices, samony as the ballies, counsale, and communitie of our said burgh or thair servandis will mak faith thai dreid bodely harme of, and gevis thair names in bill, that is to say, of the said Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, vnder the pane of iij^c merkis, ilk vther gentilman landit ij^c merkis, ilk gentilman vnlandit j^c merkis, and ilk yeman xl li., that the saidis ballies counsale and communitie, and thair seruandis, salbe harmles and skaithles of thame and all that they may lett, but fraude or gile, bot as law will ; and gif thai refus to send the said souerte and lauborrowis, that ye charge thame, be oppin proclamatioun at the merkat croce of our said burgh of Peblis, to cum and find the samin within vj dais nixt efter thai be chargit tharto, vnder the pane of rebellioun and putting of thame to the horne ; and this on na wis ye leif vndone, as ye and ilk ane of yow, will ansuer to ws thairapone ; the quhilk to do we committ to yow coniunctly and seueraly our full power be thir our letteris, deliuering thame be you deulie execut and indorsat agane to the berar. Gevin vnder our signet, at Edinburgh, the viij day of Junii, and of our regune the fift yere. Ex deliberacione dominorum consilii, etc.—J. DIKESOUNE.

[*Dorso:*] Apone the xxvij day of Junii, in the yer of God j^m v^c and xvij yeris, I Henry Boltone, seriand of the sherefdom of Peblis, past at the command of Jhone lord Hay of Yester, sherif-principall of the sherefdom of Peblis, with thir our Souerane Lordis letteris to Jhon off Gledstanis of Coklaw eldar, Archbald Gledstanis, his sone, Jhone Ynglis of Murdastone, Will Ynglis his

sone, and requirit and commandit thaim, and ilk ane of thaim, to cum and fynd lawborowis and to vnderly our Souerane Lordis lawis efter the tenour of thir our Souerane Lordis letteris within writtyn, and vnder the panis contenit in the samyn; and herefter, within vj dais eftir this charge, personaly comperit thir forsaidis personis befor my lord sheref principal forsaid, that is to say, the said Jhone of Gledstanis of Coklaw, elder, and fand souirte for hym, Jhone Inglis of Murdastone, for lawborowis, vnder the pane of thre hundreth merkis, and x lib. to vnderly the law; and the said Jhone Ynglis of Murdastone fand the said Jhone of Gledstanis of Coklaw, elder, souirte for him, vnder the pane of twa hundreth merkis for lawborowis and x lib. to vnderly the law; and the said Johne of Gledstanis of Coklaw, elder, become souirte for Archbald Gledstanis his sone, vnder the pane of j^o lib. for lawborowis and x lib. to vnderly the law; and Jhone Ynglis of Murdastoun become souirte siclyke for Wilyem Ynglis his sone, bath for lawborowis and to vnderly the law, vnder the pane of j^o merkis and x lib.; And syne thareftyr, apon the thrid day of Julij, in the yer forsaid, I past at the command of my lord sheref forsaid, with thir our Souerane Lordis letteris, togidder with ane bill deliuerit to me, to the merkat croce off Peblis, in the tyme off the merkat, and thar be oppyn proclamatioun I commandit and chargit all thir personis vnderwrittyn, ilk manyr of persone be hym selff, to cum befor my lord shereff forsaid to the said burgh off Peblis, and to find sykkyr souirte to vnderly our Souerane Lordis lawis and lawborowis, efter the tenour off thir our Souerane Lordis letteris within writtyn, that is to say, ilk gentilman landyt vnder the pane of ij^o merkis, ilk gentilman vnlandyt j^o merkis, and ilk yeman xl lib.; and at thai and ilk ane of thaim suld cum and fynd the said souirte and lawborowis assaidis within viij dayis next herefter following this proclamatioun, vnder the pane off rebellione and of puttyn of thaim to the horne, and eftir the forme within writtyn. Thir ar the namis following that I commandit in the said proclamatioun:—Jhone Mychelsone in the Hawyardis, and Gilbert Michelsone his sonis thar, Richart Michelsone thar, David Michelsone thar, Jhone Winterhop thar, Robyn Lewis thar, Thom Michelsone and Pat Michelson his son in the Myltone, Pat Hog thar, Will Querlandis thar, Andro Querlandis bis sone thar, Thom Querlandis, Jhone Lawsonsone, Thom Lawsonsone, Jhone Lawsonsone his sonis in Hundwellishop, Stevine Browne thar, Wyll Lyntone thar, Jhon Thomson thar, Pat Thomson, Jhone Thomson

his brother thar, Thom of Lyntone, Rob Tod youngar thar, Pat Lawson thar, William Phillop, Jhone Phillop his son thar, Pat Lawsoume the lardis manch thar, Wille Lyllay, Thomas Soun thar, and Jhone off Gledstanis nevo and apperand air to the said Jhone of Gledstanis of Coklaw. And herefter I ramanit viij dayis at the command of my lord sheref forsaid to se gyff thir forsaidis personis [or] ony ane of thaim wald cum and find the said souirte and lawborowis, and thar come nane to find the said souirte as efferit; and tharefter I deliuerit thir forsaid letteris execut and indorsat agane, to the saidis baillies of the burgh off Peblis; and this I dyd before thir witnes, Jhone Lokkart sheref deput, William Lowis, Rob Ewmond, and Sir Jhone Dykysone notar publict; and for mar witnessing heroff I haf to set my signet to thir presentis, the xix day of Julii, at Peblis, yer and witnes forsaid.

XXV.

ACQUITTANCE by the Treasurer of Edinburgh, to the Town of Peebles, of their portion of the taxation of out-quitting of the Customs in Dieppe. Edinburgh 30th May, 1519.

BE it kennit tyll all men be thir present letteres, me James Baroune t[resoreir of] Edinburgh, grantis me to haif rasawit fra Robart Brois burges of [Peblis.] the soume of forty frankis vsuall mone of Frans, that is to say vij angellis. . . . xx^{ti} ane frank xiiij s twa crownis of the Kyng for iij frankis xiiij s. . . . Bartane rydar for xxxix s, and the ramanent in Inglis grotis for iij s the grot, this forsaid gold and siluer haifand the cowrs forsaid in Frans for the time, and I the said James tresoreir for the tyme grantis me weill content and payit of this forsaid soume, quhilk wes thair stent of Peblis for the taxacione of the owtquytine of the custumis of Deip, and dischargis the said towne of Peblis of this forsaid soume for now and eur. In witnes of the quhilk, I haif subscriwit this present quittans with my hand at Edynburgh, the penult day of May the yeir of God a thousand v^e and xix yeris, befor thir witnes Andro Barrone, Thomas Clarksons, burgessis of Edinburgh and Thomas Robysoune, bailye of Peblis for the tyme, Walter Cunynghame, the master of the with otheris diueris.

JAMES BAROUN, wyth my hand.

XXVI.

INDENTURE between the Bailies and Community of the Burgh of Peebles and the Chaplain of our Lady Chapel as to the foundation of the altar of St Peter and St Paul, in the Parish Kirk. Peebles, 20th January, 1520.

THIS INDENTUR maid at Peblis the twenty day of the moneth of Januar the yeir of God ane thowsand fyf hundreth and twenty yheris. It is finalie appontit and concordit betwix honorable men, that is to say, Adam Dekesoun, William Peblis, ballies of the burgh of Peblis and the communitie of the samyn on the ta pairt, and Schir Patrik Stanhows chaplan of our Lady Chapell situat in the west end of the burgh of Peblis on that other pairt, in maner form and effect as efter follois, that is to say the said Schir Patrik sall indot gyf and infest certane landis and annual rentis in honor of God, owr Lady, Sanctis Petir and Paull, to ane altar to be foundit of the saidis Sanctis Petir and Paull in the parisch kirk of Peblis, to the sustentatioun and wphalding of ane chaplane to be feft for euirmar and daylie doand mes at the said altar quhen he is asosit, efter the tenor and forme of ane chartour maid thairapoun, the saidis landis and annuall rentis remanand with the said Schir Patrik all the dayis of his lyf at his will and qubat tym that plessis hym to cheis ane chaplane thairto, and he frelie to brouk and jois the samyn for the first donatioun and gyft, and syne efter that the saidis ballies and communitie to be patronis and tutoris thairto the said altar and sernis for euirmar and to gyf it quhen it waikis frelie as patronis of the samyn within the terme of law, it haffand collacioun ordinar of my lord of Glasgw, ilk chaplane at his entrai *imperpetuum*. And als the saidis ballies and communitie, tutoris of the said altar, sall defend and kep it in the rycht in the said feftment dotacioun and donacioun in the saidis landys and annuallis and in the uphalding of the samyn; and gyf it happynis, as God forbeid it do, that the saidis landis fail through nelegens wantonnes or slewthfulness of the chaplane or chaplanis beand for the tym other in thak tend or ony other wayis quhar throw the saidis landis falyheis, that than incontinent the saidis patronis and tutoris caus the said sernis to ceiss, and the said chaplaine to be callit befor my lord of Glasgw, and to be dischargit thair of gyf he be fond

ane fawtur ; neurtheleis the saidis patronis and tutoris causand ane nychtbur or twa to resaif tak wp and gader in the fructis and profit of the said altar, and that to be warit apoun the samyn landis qubill the saidis landis be kent and mendit als weill as thai war of befoir and better, and syne to cheis ane behuffull chaplane thairto, and that to be chosing nother for bud nor meid for kyne nor alya bot alanerle as the communitie thinkis caus, for the sernis of God to be doum at the said altar, and at na other altar in the kirk bot as his brethir the chaplanis dois till hym of the said kirk, the said chaplane for the tym beand sayand mes dayly quhen he is asposit at the said altar as saidis ; and als he sall conuein and compeir wyth his brethir chaplanis of the said kirk in the quer with his surples, all solempnit festis, dowble festis, Sondais and halydayis, he beand at the lest ane plain sangstar ; and gyf he happynis to be fra the he mes the said solempnit dayis, dowble festis, Sondagis and haly dayis, ilk mes that he is fra to be in four pennis, and fra ilk ewyn sang twa pennys, and that to be tane wp be the patronis and tutoris of the said altar, and that to be disponit apoun the said altar quhat thingis is mast neidfull that pertenis thairto. In witnes of the quhilk thing aythir of thir said pairteis ar oblist and suorin, ane buk wyth thar handis twichand ; and for the mar securite aythir of thir pairteis as set to thar seillis, that is to say that the saidis ballies and communitie as set to thar seillis to the pairt of the indentur remanand wyth the said Schir Patrik, and the said Schir Patrik as set to his seill to the pairt of this indentur remanand wyth the said ballies and communitie, day yeir and place aboun writyin, befor thir witnes :—

XXVII.

CHARTER by King James V. to George Elphinstone of Henderstone,
of the lands of King's Muir. Stirling, 20th July, 1528.

JACOBUS, Dei gracia, Rex Scotorum : Omnibus probus hominibus tocius terre sue, clericis et laicis, salutem. SCIATIS nos dedisse concessisse et hac presenti

JAMES, by the grace of God, King of Scots : To all honest men of his whole land, clergy and laity, greeting. KNOW YE that we have given, granted, and by this our

carta nostra confirmasse hereditarie, dilecto nostro familiari seruitori, Georgio Elphinstoun de Hendirstoun, pro suo bono et gratuito seruicio nobis impenso et impendendo, totas et integras terras Kingis Mure nuncupatas, nobis vt patrimonium nostre corone pertinentes, infra vicecomitatum nostrum de Peblis jacentes, contigue cum terris de Edderstoun Cademure Brigland Quhithauch Bonyntoun et Foulmyre, et aquam Tuede, ex occidentali orientali boreali et australi partibus. INSUPER vnius annectimus et incorporamus prefatas terras de Kingis Mure terris et baronie de Hendirstoun, vt sint pars et pendicula earundem, ac priuilegii et libertatis huiusmodi baronie pro perpetuo in futurum: Et volumus quod vnica sasina de predictis terris et baronia de Hendirstoun capienda post primam sasinam nunc de prefatis terris de Kingis Mure capienda, stabit et sufficiens erit sasina pro dictis terris de Kingis Mure, absque vlla alia speciali aut particulari sasina de eisdem in futurum sumenda. TENENDAS ET HABENDAS totas et integras prefatas terras de Kingis Mure cum pertinentiis, nunc vuitas annexatas et incorporatas dicte baronie de Hendirstoun, predicto Georgio et heredibus suis, de nobis et successoribus nostris, in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas, prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine, in boscis planis moris maresiis viis semitis aquis stagnis riuolis pratis pascuis et pasturis, molendinis multuris et eorum sequelis, aucupaci-

present charter confirmed, heritably, to our beloved familiar servant, George Elphinstone of Hendirstoun, for his good and thankful service done and to be done to us, all and whole the lands called Kingis Mure belonging to us as the patrimony of our crown, lying within our sheriffdom of Peblis, next the lands of Edderstoun, Cademuir, Brigland, Quhithauch, Bonyntoun, and Foulmyre, and the water of Tuede, on the west, east, north, and south parts. MOREOVER we unite, annex, and incorporate the foresaid lands of Kingis Mure to the lands and barony of Hendirstoun that they may be a part and pendicle thereof, and of the privilege and liberty of the said barony in time coming for ever: And we will that one sasine of the foresaid lands and barony of Hendirstoun, to be taken after the first sasine now to be taken of the said lands of Kingis Mure, shall stand and be sufficient sasine for the said lands of Kingis Muir, without any other special or particular sasine to be taken thereof in time coming. TO HOLD AND TO HAVE all and whole the foresaid lands of Kingis Mure with the pertinents, now united, annexed, and incorporated to the said barony of Hendirstoun, to the foresaid George and his heirs, of us and our successors, in fee and heritage for ever, by all their right marches, old and divided, as they lie in length and breadth, in woods, plains, moors, marches, ways, roads, ponds, rivulets, meadows, pastures and pasturages, mills, multures and their sequels,

onibus venacionibus piscacionibus petariis turbariis carbonariis lignis lapidibus lapide et calce fabrilibus brasinis bruernis et genestis, cum curiis et earum exitibus, herezeldis bludwitis et mulierum marchetis, cum communi pastura, libero introitu et exitu, ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis et asiamentis ac justis pertinenciis suis quibuscunque, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam sub terra quam supra terram, procul et prope, ad predictas terras et baroniam cum pertinenciis spectantibus, seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace, sine aliqua reuocacione aut contradicione quacunque. REDDENDO inde annuatim dictus Georgius et heredes sui, nobis et successoribus nostris, sectam et seruicium de dictis terris et baronia de Hendirstoun prius debita et consueta. IN CUIUS REI testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus. Testibus, reuerendissimo reuerendisque in Christo patribus, Gawino Glasguensi archiepiscopo cancellario nostro, Georgio episcopo Dunkeldensi nostri secreti sigilli custode, Gawino episcopo Abir-donensi nostrorum rotulorum registri et consilii clerico, dilectis consanguineis nostris, Jacobo comite Aranie domino Hammiltoun, Colino comite de Ergile domino Campbell et Lorne hospicii nostri magistro, Hugone comite de Eglington domino Montgomery, Malcolmo domino Flemung magno camerario

hawkings, huntings, fishings, peats, turfs, woods, stone and lime, smithies, bake-houses, breweries, and broom, with courts and their issues, herezelds, bloodwits, and marchets of women, with common pasture, free ish and entry, and with all other and sundry liberties, commodities, profits and easements, and righteous pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above the earth, far and near, to the foresaid lands and barony with the pertinents belonging, or that righteously shall be known to belong thereto in any way in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably, well, and in peace, without any revocation or contradiction whatever. GIVING THEREFOR, yearly, the said George and his heirs, to us and our successors, the suit and service used and wont of before from the said lands and barony of Henderstoun. IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have ordered our great seal to be appended to this our present charter. Witnesses, the most reverend and reverend fathers in Christ, Gavin archbishop of Glasgow our chancellor, George bishop of Dunkeld keeper of our privy seal, Gavin bishop of Aberdeen clerk of our rolls, register and council; our beloved cousins, James earl of Arran lord Hammiltoun, Colin earl of Ergile lord Campbell and Lorne master of our household, Hugh earl of Eglington lord Montgomery, Malcolm lord Fleming our great chamberlain;

nostro ; venerabilibus in Christo patribus, Patricio priore ecclesie metropolitane Sanctiandree, Alexandro abbate monasterii nostri de Cambuskynnech ; dilectis familiaribus nostris, Magistris Thoma Erskin de Haltoun secretario nostro, et Jacobo Coluile de Vchiltre compotorum nostrorum rotulatore et nostre cancellarie direttore. Apud Striviling, vicesimo die mensis Julii, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo octavo, et regni nostri decimo quinto.

venerable fathers in Christ, Patrick prior of the metropolitan church of St Andrews, Alexander abbot of our monastery of Cambuskynnech ; our beloved servants, masters Thomas Erskine of Haltoun our secretary, and James Colville of Uchiltre our comptroller and director of our chancery. At Striviling, the twentieth day of the month of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand five hundred and twenty-eight, and in the fifteenth of our reign.

XXVIII.

ELECTION and Institution by the Community of Peebles of Sir John Ker to the altar of St Mary's Aisle in the parish church of Peebles. 5th and 6th August 1532.

IN Dei nomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum, cunctis pateat euidenter et sit notum quod anno incarnationis Domini millesimo quingentesimo trigesimo secundo, mensis vero Augusti die quinto, indictione quinta, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris ac domini nostri domini Clementis diuina prouidentia pape septimi anno nono : In mei notarii publici testiumque subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir, Johannes Hog, extunc balliuus burgi de Peblis, in pretorio eiusdem pro tribunali sedens, vnacum communitate eiusdem ibidem congregata,

IN the name of God, Amen. Be it manifest and made known to all by this present public instrument that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and thirty-two, the fifth day of the month of August, the fifth indiction, and the ninth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord, the lord Clement the Seventh, by divine providence pope : In presence of me, notary public, and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man, John Hog, then bailie of the burgh of Peblis, sitting in judgment

reliqui vero absentes, ad electionem infrascriptam legitime premoniti ad ydoneum capellanum eligendum ad ministrandum et deseruiendum in altari beate Marie Virginis, in insula Johannis Geddas infra ecclesiam parrochiam de Peblis fundata, in manibus suis, per decessum quondam domini Jacobi Dekysone vltimi possessoris eiusdem, de iure vacante; et ibidem prefatum per balliuum liberam per electionem dicte communitatis, nemine contradicente exceptis duobus, viz., Gilberto Dekysone et Adam Dekysone, discretus vir dominus Johannes Ker, capellanus, ad deseruiendum et ministrandum in dicto altari libere electus erat, non obstante intrusione domini Johannis Tuedy, capellani in eiusmodi altari, per suos consanguineos confecta, ex eo quod dictus dominus Johannes Tuedy non inuentus erat ydoneus in cantu per maiorem partem consilii dicti burgi de Peblis [et] decanum et choristas dicte ecclesie, et prefatus Dominus Johannes Ker inuentus erat ydoneus non solum lectura sed etiam cantu ad id seruitium exercendum per eandem maiore partem consilii dicti burgi [et] decanum et choristas eiusdem prefate ecclesie. QUIBUSQUIDEM peractis, sexto die eiusdem mensis Augusti dictus Johannes Hog, balliuus, nemine dicte communitatis contradicente excepto Willelmo Tuedy, ad dictum altare Johannis Geddes personaliter accessit, et ibidem prefatum dominum Johannem Ker in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem et institutionem dicti altaris, iuriumque et pertinentiarum

in the tolbooth^r thereof, together with the community thereof there assembled, the remainder being absent, lawfully summoned to the election underwritten, to elect a fit chaplain to minister and serve at the altar of St Mary the Virgin, founded in the aisle of John Geddes in the parish church of Peblis, lawfully vacant in their hands by the decease of Sir James Dekysone, last possessor thereof; and there, by the free election of the said community, none gainsaying except two, viz., Gilbert Dekysone and Adam Dekysone, a discreet man, Sir John Ker, chaplain, was freely elected to serve and minister at the said altar, notwithstanding the intrusion of Sir John Tuedy, chaplain, into the said altar, made by his cousins, because the said Sir John Tuedy was found unlearned in church song by the greater part of the council of the said burgh and the dean and choristers of the said church, and the foresaid Sir John Ker was found fit, not only in reading, but also in chant, by the said greater part of the council of the said burgh and the dean and choristers of the said church. WHICH things being so done, on the sixth day of the said month of August, the said John Hog, bailie, none of the said community contradicting except William Tuedy, personally went to the said altar of John Geddes, and there inducted, placed, and instituted the said Sir John Ker in the real, actual, and corporal possession and

eiusdem, induxit imposuit et instituit, per ornamentorum calicis et librorum prescripti altaris tradicionem, in huiusmodi altaris possessionis signum, ut moris est et in talibus fieri consuetum; secundum tenorem foundationis desuper confecte. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis prefatus dominus Johannes Ker, a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri atque tradi petiit vnum aut plura publicum seu publica, instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in pretorio predicto hora vndecima ante meridiem prefati quinti diei, secundo ad dictum altare beate Marie Virginis prescripti diei sexti, hora nona ante meridiem aut eacirca, sub anno mense diebus indictione et pontificatu quibus supra: Presentibus ibidem honorabilibus et discretis viris, Villelmo Peblis de Crukstoun, Johanne Hay, domino Thoma Sclaiter et domino Johanne Patersone capellanis, cumque plurimis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis pariter et requisitis.

Et ego vero Johannes Hay, artium magister, clericus Glasguensis diocesis,
[*notarius etc.*]

institution of the said altar and rights and pertinents thereof, by delivery of the ornaments, chalice, and books of the foresaid altar in sign of the possession thereof, as is accustomed to be done in like cases, according to the tenor of the foundation made thereupon. Upon all and sundry which the foresaid Sir John Ker asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the foresaid town hall, at the eleventh hour before noon of the foresaid fifth day, and thereafter at the foresaid altar of St. Mary the Virgin on the foresaid sixth day, at the ninth hour before noon or thereabouts: There being present honourable and discreet men, William Peblis of Crukstoun, John Hay, Sir Thomas Sclaiter, and Sir Johne Patersone, chaplains, and with many other witnesses likewise called and required to the premises.

And I, John Hay, master of arts, clerk of the diocese of Glasgou, notary, etc.

XXIX.

LETTER by King James the Fifth to Mr John Hay of Smithfield and John Hog, bailie of Peebles, requiring them to defend Sir John Ker in the possession of the altarge of Our Laly in Geddes Aisle within the Parish Church of Peebles. Edinburgh, 6th August, 1532.

REX: Weilbelouit freindis, we gret you weil. Forsamekill as ye and the counsall of our burgh of Peblis, as we are informit, haue gevin to our louit

oratour and chaplane, Sir John Ker, the altarage of our Lady in Geddes Ile within the parochie kirk of our said burgh, pertening to your gift and disposition be full richt as vndoutit patronis thairof; Our will is herfor and we pray you richt effectuislie, and als chargeis, that ye kepe and defend the said Sir Johne in peciabil possession of the said altarage, eftir the tenor of the said gift maid to him thairupoun, and in our name and autorite command and charge Johne Tuedy of Drummelzar, Williame Tuedy, and require Sir Johne Tuedy and thar complices to desist and cese fra all molestatioun and trubilling of the said Sir John Ker in the peciabil brooking and joising of his said altarage in tyme cuming vtherwayis than be ordour of law, eftir the tenor of the said gift, vndir the pane of tinsall of thar liffis landis and gudis, as ye will ansuer to ws thairupoun: The quhilk to do we commit to you coniunctlie and seueralie our full power be thir our letteres, subscriuit with our hand at Edinburgh the vj^o day of August, and of our regne the xix yer.

JAMES R. To our weil belouit freindis, Master John Hay of Smythisfeld, and Johne Hog, bailie of Peblis.

XXX.

LETTERS of Protection by King James the Fifth, under his Privy Seal, to the Bailies, Council, and Community of the burgh of Peebles. Edinburgh, 27th November, 1539.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis: To all and sindryoure liegis and subditis quham it efferis quhais knowledge thiroure letteres salcum, greting. Witt ye ws to haue takin, and be thiroure letteres takis, vnderoure speciale protectioun supple mantenance defence and saufgardoure louittis the baillies counsale and communitie ofoure burgh of Peblis, and all and sindry thare landis, baith commoun and propirte, rentis possessionis heretages mylnis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes malingis teyndis houssis bigingis myris mossis merches wayis gaitis roidis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis lowis fischingis cornis catale orchartis yardis stankis dykis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris, procuraturis and intromettouris, and all and sindry vthiris thare

gudis, movabill and vnmovabill, quhatsumever, quharever thai be within oure realme: Quharfore we charge straitlie and commandis you all and sindry oure liegis and subditis forsaidis, that nane of you tak apoun hand to do to the saidis baillies counsale and communitie of oure said burgh of Peblis, or to all and sindry thare landis commoun and propirte rentis possessiounis heretages mylhis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes malingis teyndis houssis bigingis myris mossis merches wayis gaitis roidis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis lowis fischingis cornis catale orchartis yardis medois stankis dikis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris procuratouris and intromettouris, or to all and sindry vthiris thare gudis, movabill and vnmovabill forsaidis, ony ewill molestatioun vexatioun violence distrublanche iniure harme or greif, in ony maner of degre, vthirwais than the cours of commoun law will, vnder all the hieast pane charge and offens that ye and ilk ane of you, may committ and inrin aganis oure Maieste in that part; and in speciale vnder the pane of forfaling and escheting of all youre gudis to oure vse for youre contemptioun gif ye do incontrare heirof; certifying you and ilk ane of you quha sa dois incontrar heirof in ony poynt or wys we will mak you be pvnist tharfor with all rigour as efferis. Gevin vnder our priue sele, at Edinburgh, the xxvij day of Nouember, the yeire of God j^mv^c thretty-nyne yeris, and of our regne the xxvij yeire.

[*Dorso* :] The secund of the moneth of December, the yeir of God ane thousand fif hunder thretty nyn yeiris, I John Brown, sheref sergande of the sheref-dome of Peblis, passit at the command of thir our Souerane Lordis letteres of protectioun to the merkate croce of the burgh of Peblis, and thair be opy^r. proclamatioun put the samyn to dew executioun in all poyntis efter the tenour of the samyn, and chargit all and sindry our Souerane Lordis liegis to do nor attempt na thing incontrar of this protectioun efter the form and tenour thairof, and vnder the panys contenit in the samyn; and this I did befor thir witnes: Cuthbert Andersoun, Alexander Lawder, Gilbert Dikesoun, William Robisoun, Sir John Bullo, Sir Johnne Cur, Sir Gilbert Williamsoun, Mungo Williamsoun, and Alexander Hay, wyth vtheris diuerss; and for the mair verification I haue affixit to my signet.

XXXI.

LETTERS by King James the Fifth charging unfreemen not to make any private market, within the freedom of Peebles. Edinburgh, 12th October, 1541.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis : To oure sheref of Pebillis and his deputis, ballies of oure burgh of Pebillis, and to oure louittis, Johnne Cobe, James Bell, Dutho Hoig, David Dikesoun, messingeris, oure shereffis in that part, coniunctlie and seueralie specialie constitute, greting. Forsamekle as it is humelic menynt and schewin be you the saidis ballies counsale and communitie of oure said burgh of Pebillis that quhare ye and youre predecessouris ar infest of ald of oure said burgh be oure maist nobill progenitouris of gude mynd, quham God assolye, with all fredomes and priuelegis pertenying to fre burrowis, as youre infestment thair-upoun beris ; and in oure parliament laitlie haldin it is statute and ordanit gif ony foirstallaris be apprehendit forstalland ony maner of merchandice, vittualis, pultre, or vther gudis quhatsumeuir, within the fredome of burgh, that the officiaris of the said burgh eschete the samyn, that ane half thairof to oure vse and that vther half to the vse of the said burgh, and inlikewis that na personis vse paking nor peling of woll hidis nor skynniss, lois nor lade vtouth fre burgh without the priuelege thairof, and als ratefiand and apprevand all vther priuelegis, franchis and liberteis grantit to fre burrowis, as at mair lenth is contenit in oure saidis actis of parliament maid thair-upoun ; neuirtheless diuers vnfremen, chepmen, cowparis, and vtheris dailie occupeis youre fredome of oure said burgh, be bying and selling of woll, hidis, skynniss, irne, lint, ter, silkis, wyne, spicis, and vther stapill gudis, and be pakyng and pelyng thairof at kirk, mercatis, and vther placis to landwart within the boundis of youre fredome of oure said burgh, and foirstallis and will nocht suffir the saidis guidis to be brocht and sakd in youre mercate as aucht to be done, incontrar the tennoure of oure saidis actis of parliament, quharethrou oure said burgh and fremen thairof ar hereit and we defraudit in oure custumes aucht to ws of the saidis stapill gudis, and the saidis vnfremen occupeis and takkis vp the proffit that suld cum to ws and you thairof, and beris na chargis bot ye allanerlie that ar compellit to walk, warde,

pay taxt, extentis and burrow malis, to youre vtir herschip and distructioun and incontrar oure saidis actis of parliament, burrow lawis, and all resoun, and equite, gif sa be : Oure will is heirfor and we charge you straitlie and comandis that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye pas and in oure name and autorite command and charge, be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat croce of oure said burgh of Pebillis and all vther places neidful, all and sindry oure liegis vnfremen that nane of thaim tak vpoun hand to mak ony privat mercate, foirstall, pak, or peill ony gudis vtouth oure said burgh, in ony parte or place within the fredome of the samyn, bot that thai bring and present thairto all and sindry thair gudis and merchandice and mak mercate thairof, eftir the forme of oure saidis actis of parliament and vnder the panis contenit in the samyn ; and that ye and ilk ane of you diligentlie serche and seke all and sindry personis doand in the contrar and foirstalland, pakand, or peland ony gudis, victualis, or merchandice vtouth the said burgh and within the fredome thairof, and eschete the samyn, that ane half to our vse, and that vther half of the saidis gudis to the vse and proffit of our said burgh, eftir the forme of our saidis actis of parliament and according to iustice : The quhilk to do we commit to you, coniunctie and seueralie, our full power, be thir oure letteres, deliuering thame be you deulie execute and indorsate agane to the berar. Gevin vnder oure signet at Edinburgh, the xij day of October, and of our regane the xxix yere.

Ex deliberatione dominorum consilii.

J. BANNATYNE.

[*Dorso*:—] The xxj day of Merche, the yer of God j^m v^c xlj yeris, I Johne Portuis, ane of the seriandis and officiaris of the burgh of Peblis past at command of the ballies of the said burgh to the mercate croce of the samyn, and thair be oppin proclamatioun, it beand ane mercate day, commandit and chargit all and sindry our Souerane Lordis liegis vnfremen in generall, that nane of thame tak vpoun hand to mak ony privat mercate, foirstall, pak, or peill ony gudis vtouth the said burgh in ony pairt or place within the fredom of the samyn, bot that thai bring and present thairto all and sindry thair gudis and merchandice and mak mercate thairof, eftir the forme of the said actis of parliament and vnder the panis contenit in the samyn, conforme to the tenour of thir our Souerane Lordis letteres. This I did befor thir witnes : Sir William Newby notar publict, Johne Hall and Dauid Dikkesoun, burgessis of the said burgh, with vther diners ; and for the mare witnessing, to this my executioun, my signet is affixt.

XXXII.

CHARTER by Queen Mary, under her Great Seal, confirming the Foundation by the Bailies, Council, and Community of Peebles, and John Lord Hay of Yester, of a Collegiate Church, at the Parish Church of Saint Andrew, in Peebles. Edinburgh, 8th June 1543.

MARIA, Dei gracia Regina Scotorum : Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis salutem. SCIATIS quia cum auisamento consensu et autoritate charissimi consanguinei et tutoris nostri Jacobi comitis Arranie domini Hammiltoun, etc. regni nostri Protectoris et Gubernatoris ratificauimus approbauimus admortizauimus ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris ad manum mortuam pro perpetuo confirmauimus cartam foundationem et infeodacionem factam per balliuos consules et communitatem burgi nostri de Peblis parrochianos ecclesie Sanctiandree infra diocesim Glasguensem ac per dilectum consanguineum nostrum Johannem dominum Hay de Yester vuanimi consensu et assensu in laudem et honorem summe et indiuidie Trinitatis Patris Filii et Spiritus Sancti, beatissimi Virginis Marie matris Dei Jesu Cristi, Sancti Andree ipsorum patroni ac omnium celestis curie sanctorum, pro salute animarum quondam charrisimorum nostri aui Jacobo quarti et nostri patris Jacobo quinti bone memorie quorum animabus propicietur Deus, anime quondam Jacobi comitis Arranie patris dicti nostri gubernatoris cui

MARY, by the grace of God Queen of Scots : To all good men of her whole land clergy and laity greeting. KNOW YE that with the advice consent and authority of our dearest cousin and tutor James earl of Arran lord Hamilton, etc., Protector and Governor of our kingdom, we have ratified approved and mortified, and for us and our successors, in mortmain, for ever confirm a charter foundation and infeftment made by the bailies councillors and community of our Burgh of Peblis parishioners of the Church of St Andrew within the diocese of Glasgow, and by our beloved cousin John lord Hay of Yester, with joint consent and assent, in praise and honour of the High and Undivided Trinity, Father Son and Holy Ghost, of the most blessed Virgin Mary mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, of Saint Andrew their patron and of all the heavenly court of saints, for the weal of the souls of the late James the Fourth our dearest grandfather and James the Fifth our dearest father of

etiam propicietur Deus, ac pro statu nostro prospero nostre matris nostrique gubernatoris et nostrorum successorum, necnon reuerendissimi in Christo patris Gawini archiepiscopi Glasguensis regni nostri cancellarii suorum predecessorum et successorum, omniumque illorum qui pro regni nostri defensione mortem obierunt, necnon omnium et singulorum rectorum vicariorum sacerdotum et balliuorum burgensium et incolarum dicti nostri burgi ibidem aut extra decedencium quorum corpora in ecclesie parrochiali Sanctiandree vel cemiterio eiusdem aut alibi requiescunt, et specialiter pro animabus omnium burgensium qui in huiusmodi ecclesiam cum aliquibus infeodationibus bonis mobilibus localibus ornamentis vestimentis libris calicibus aut aliis necessariis dotabant ornabant et infeodabant, ac etiam pro animabus quondam magistri Gilberti Rerik archidiaconi Glasguensis et magistri Patricii Blacader eius successoris olim Glasguensis archidiaconi suorum rectorum, necnon pro animabus omnium suorum benefactorum predecessorum et successorum et singulorum Cristi fidelium, de vna Ecclesia Collegiata clericorum et prolium diuina fauente gracia in diuino seruicio quotidiano apud huiusmodi ecclesiam parrochiam Sanctiandree in Peblis per seruicium duodecim prebendariorum vnus prepositi et duorum prolium vocem puerilem habentium ad cautandum diuinum seruicium cum ipsis preposito et prebendariis imperpetuum duratura, sic quod quilibet dictorum prebenda-

good memory, on whose souls may God have mercy, of the soul of the late James earl of Arran father of our said governor, on whom may God also have mercy, and for the prosperous state of us our mother our governor and our successors, also of the most reverend father in Christ Gawin archbishop of Glasgow, chancellor of our kingdom, of his predecessors and successors, and of all those who have died in the defence of our kingdom, also of all and singular rectors, vicars, priests and of the bailies burgesses and inhabitants of our said burgh dying within or without the burgh whose bodies rest in the parish church of St Andrew or the cemetery of the same or elsewhere, and specially of the souls of all burgesses who endowed, adorned and infest the same church with any infestments, moveable goods, jewels, ornaments, vestments, books, chalices or other necessaries; and also for the souls of the deceased Master Gilbert Rerik archdeacon of Glasgow and of Master Patrick Blacader his successor sometime archdeacon of Glasgow their rectors, and also for the souls of all their benefactors, predecessors, and successors and of all the faithful in Christ,—of a Collegiate Church of clerks and children in divine service, favoured by divine grace, to endure for ever daily at the said parish church of Saint Andrew in Peebles, by the service of twelve prebendaries one provost and two young persons

riorum annuatim habebit nomine feodi aut annualis pensionis summam viginti quatuor marcarum monete regni nostri per huiusmodi fundatores et suos predecessores in denariis et terris conquestis ac vnam cameram cum orto in Villa Antiqua de Peblis, messuagio archidiaconi Glasguensis propinquus adiacente in orientali et occidentali partibus eiusdem et vnam acram terrarum ecclesiasticarum ecclesie de Peblis eidem propinquus adiacentem per dictum reuerendissimum Glasguensem archiepiscopum, de consensu expresso magistri Ricardi Bothuile vicarii moderni de Peblis, per suos procuratores ad hoc legitime constitutos, in supplemento dictorum prebendariorum ad effectum premissorum dotatam et elimosinatam, quiquidem magister Ricardus per dictum reuerendissimum patrem autorizatus vicariorum pensionarium in huiusmodi prebendariorum numero pro seruicio quotidiano et nonnullis aliis seruiciis et oneribus ipsius imputandis instituit. Quiquidem prebendarii suprascripti ut sequitur titulabuntur, viz., prima prebenda beatissime Marie Virginis de puerperio; secunda prebenda de Cruce Sacra titulabitur; tertia, prebenda de Sancto Michaele archangelo; quarta prebenda intitulabitur de Sancta Maria Maiore; quinta prebenda de beatis Petro et Paulo; sexta prebenda de Sancto Johanne Baptista intitulabitur, septima prebenda de Sancta Maria de Geddes Ile; octaua prebenda de Sancto Andrea; nona prebenda intitulabitur de Sancto Jacobo; decima prebenda de Sancto Laurentio;

having a youthful voice to chant divine service with the provost and prebendaries themselves; so that every one of the said prebendaries shall have yearly in name of fee or annual pension the sum of twenty four merks money of our kingdom in money and lands acquired by the founders and their predecessors, and a chamber with a yard in the Old Town of Peebles, next adjacent to the messuage of the archdeanery of Glasgow on the east and west sides of the same, and one acre of the church lands of the Church of Peebles, lying near the same, given and mortified by the said most reverend archbishop of Glasgow with the express consent of master Richard Bothuile present vicar of Peebles, by his procurators lawfully constituted to that effect, in supplement of the said prebendaries for the effect before written; which master Richard, authorised by the said most reverend father, is instituted a vicar pensioner among the said number of prebendaries for the daily service and certain other services and burdens laid on them. Which prebendaries above written shall be called as follows:—The first, the prebend of the blessed Virgin Mary of Childbirth; the second, shall be called the prebend of the Holy Rood; the third, the prebend of Saint Michael the archangel; the fourth shall be called the prebend of Saint Mary Major; the fifth, the prebend of the blessed Peter and Paul; the sixth shall be called the prebend of Saint John the Baptist;

undecima prebenda de Sancto Martino; et duodecima et vltima prebenda de Sancto Christophero intitulabitur. Quarum prebendarum possessores ad eorum sustentacionem certas terras annuos redditus et alia deuoria annuatim habebunt, prout in huiusmodi collegii erectione et fundatione per dictum reuerendissimum patrem cum consensu capituli sui Glasguensis suo sub sigillo sigilloque sui capituli ac communi sigillo dicti nostri burghi de Peblis cum certis ordinanciis in eisdem contentis confirmatis desuper confectis plenius continetur. Quasquidem cartam fundacionem erectionem et infeodationem in omnibus suis punctis et articulis conditionibus et modis ac circumstanciis suis regulis statutis et obseruanciis quibuscunque in omnibus et per omnia forma pariter et effectu cum auisamento consensu et auctoritate prefati charissimi consanguinei et tutoris nostri presentis carte nostre tenore approbamus ratificamus admortizamus ac pro nobis et nostris successoribus ad manum mortuam pro perpetuo confirmamus: Saluis nobis et nostris successoribus deuotis oracionibus et precibus ac suffragiis dictorum prepositi prebendariorum prolium et suorum successorum tantum. IN CUIUS REI TESTIMONIUM huic presenti carte nostre confirmationis et admortizationis magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus. Testibus, reuerendissimo et reuerendo iu Cristo patribus Gauino archiepiscopo Glasguensi cancellario

the seventh, the prebend of Saint Mary of Geddes Aisle, the eighth, the prebend of Saint Andrew; the ninth shall be called the prebend of Saint James; the tenth, the prebend of Saint Laurence; the eleventh, the prebend of Saint Martin; and the twelfth and last shall be called the prebend of Saint Christopher. The possessors of which prebendaries shall have for their maintenance certain lands annual rents and other duties annually, as in the erection and foundation of the said College by the said most reverend father with the consent of his chapter of Glasgow under his seal and the seal of his chapter and the common seal of our said burgh of Peblis, with certain ordinances contained in the same above confirmed, is more fully contained. Which charter, foundation, erection, and infeftment in all their points and articles, conditions, forms and circumstances, their rules, statutes, and obseruances whatsoever, in all and by all things in the same form and effect, with advice, consent, and authority of our foresaid dearest cousin and tutor, by the tenor of this our present charter we approve, ratify, mortify, and for us and our successors in mortmain for ever confirm: Saving to us and our successors the devout orations, prayers and suffrages of the said provost, prebendaries, children, and their successors. IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have ordered our great seal to be appended to this our present charter of confirmation and mortification. Witnesses the most reverend and the reverend fathers in Christ Gavin archbishop of Glasgow our Chancellor, George

nostro, Georgio episcopo Dunkeldensi; dilectis nostris consanguineis Jacobo Morauie comite, etc., Archibaldo comite Ergadie domino Campbell et Lorne, etc., Malcolmo domino Flemyng magno nostro camerario; dilectis nostris familiaribus Jacobo Kirkcaldy de Grange thesaurario nostro, Thoma Meynzeis de Petifodalis compotorum nostrorum rotulatore, magistris Jacobo Foulis de Colintoune nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico et Thoma Bellenden de Auchnoule nostre cancellarie direttore. Apud Edinburgh octauo die mensis Junii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quadragesimo tertio et regni nostri primo.

bishop of Dunkeld; our beloved cousins James earl of Moray, etc., Archibald earl of Argyre lord Campbell and Lorne, etc., Malcolm lord Flemyng our great chamberlain; our beloved servants James Kirkcaldy of Grange our treasurer, Thomas Meynzeis of Petifodalis our comptroller, Masters James Foulis of Colintoune, clerk of our rolls, register and council, and Thomas Bellenden of Auchnoule director of our chancery. At Edinburgh the eighth day of the month of June in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and forty-three and in the first of our reign.

XXXIII.

COMPOSITION FOR REMISSION to the Bailies, Councillors, and Community of Peebles for their treasonable adherence to the English. Peebles, 15th June 1551.

COMPOSITUR pro remissione cum balliuis consulibus communitate burgen-sibus et inhabitatoribus burgi de Peblis et libertatis eiusdem, infra vicecom- itatum de Peblis commorantibus, pro eorum proditoria assecurancie cum veteribus Anglie inimicis susceptione post conflictum de Pynkyncluch, et sub eadem remanentia per spacium quindecim hebdomadarum aut eocirca tempore guerre et pro omnibus actione et crimine que eiis aut eorum alicui

COMPOSITION for a remission with the bailies councillors community burgesses and inhabitants of the burgh of Peebles and liberty thereof, dwelling within the sheriff- dom of Peebles, for their treasonable adherence to the old enemies of England after the battle of Pinkiecluch, and remaining therein for the period of fifteen weeks or thereabouts in time of war, and for all action and crime which can be imputed to

inde quovismodo imputari poterunt; necnon pro omnibus aliis actionibus proditionibus criminibus transgressionibus et offensis quibuscunque per dictos balliuos consules communitatem burgenses et inhabitatores burghi antedicti et libertatis eiusdem aliquibus temporibus retroactis ante diem date presentium commissis seu quomodolibet perpetratis, proditoria traditione in personam S. D. N. Regine et sui tutoris, incendio, homicido, murthuro, mutilatione, mulierum raptu, equitatione cum Anglis, furto et receptione furti duntaxat exceptis. Subscriptum per dominos compositores apud Peblis decimo quinto die mensis Junii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo et quinquagesimo primo. Compositio ii^o li.

JOANNES, *thesaurarius*. JHON CAMPBELL.
E. ROSSENSIS, *secretarius*. SANCHAR.

them or any of them therefrom; as also for all other actions treasons crimes transgressions and offences whatsoever committed or in any way done by the said bailies councillors community burgesses and inhabitants of the foresaid burgh and liberty thereof in any times past before the day of the date of these presents, high treason against the person of our Sovereign Lady the Queen and of her tutor, fireraising, manslaughter, murder, mutilation, rape of women, riding with the English, theft and reset of theft only excepted. Subscribed by the lords compounders, at Peebles the fifteenth day of the month of June in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty one. Composition £200.

XXXIV.

CHARTER by Queen Mary, under the Great Seal, of new erecting the Burgh of Peebles into a Free Royal Burgh, with liberty to hold markets and fairs and with the other privileges contained in their ancient infeftments. Peebles, 17th December 1554.

MARIA, Dei gracia Regina Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis salutem. SCIATIS quia villa et burgus noster de

MARY, by the grace of God Queen of Scots: To all good men of her whole land, clergy and laity, greeting. KNOW YE that whereas our town and burgh of Peblis was

Peblis ex antiquo per predecessores nostros in libero burgo regali infeodatus fuit cum libera potestate libertate et facultate intra eundem diem foralem ebdomidatim die Martis ac vnum diem nundinarum annuatim in die Sancti Bartholomei habendi, ac cum potestate vinum ceram pannum lineum et laneum latum et aretum ac omnes alias mercantias licitas vendendi, et intra dictum nostrum burgum pistores brasiatores piscatores laniones ac piscium et carniū preparatores ac omnes alios artifices libero burgo regali pertinentes habendi et tenendi, prepositum balliuos et officarios in eodem pro eiusdem gubernatione eligendi; necnon quod potestatem habuit singulas terras libertati dicti burgi pertinentes in acris siue particatis *lie rudis* ad eorum libitum voluntatis prout eis videbatur magis expediens pro bono et commodo dieti nostri burgi assedandi, prout infeofamentum sub magno sigillo desuper confectum latius proportat; et ob combustionem prefati nostri burgi per veteres nostros Anglie hostes et depredationes super dicta villa et burgo per fures et malefactores commissas, inhabitatores eiusdem depauperati sunt, vnde idem noster burgus illico deficere imminet nisi aliquod remedium inde prouideatur: Quapropter de auctoritate nostra regali et potestate regiuali de nouo fecimus ereximus infeodauiimus et creauimus ac tenore presentis carte nostre de nouo facimus erigimus infeodamus et creamus dictum nostrum burgum in libero burgo regali, et eidem ac preposito balliuus et inhabitatoribus eiusdem

of old erected by our predecessors into a free royal burgh with full power liberty and faculty to have within the same a market day on Tuesday weekly and a fair day yearly on the day of Saint Bartholomew, and with power to sell wine, wax, cloth, linen, both broad linen and narrow, and all other lawful merchandise, and to have and keep within our said burgh bakers, brewers, fishers, fleshers, and dressers of fish and flesh and all other craftsmen pertaining to a free royal burgh, to elect a provost, bailies, and officers therein for the government of the same, also that it possessed power to let the several lands pertaining to the liberty of the said burgh in acres or particates called roods at their will as seemed to them expedient for the good and advantage of our said burgh, as the infestment made thereupon under the great seal more fully purports; and that by the burning of our foresaid burgh by our old enemies of England and depredations committed upon the said town and burgh by thieves and ill-doers, the inhabitants of the said burgh have become impoverished, whereby our said burgh is liable immediately to decay unless some remedy be provided therefor: Wherefore by our royal authority and queenly power, we of new have made, erected, infest and created and by the tenor of this our present charter we make, erect infest, and create our said burgh into a free royal burgh and we have given, and by these presents give to it and to

dedimus ac per presentes damus omnia preuilegia et libertates suprascriptas et alias in suo antiquo infeofamento desuper habito contentas, ac dedimus et concessimus tenoreque nostre presentis carte damus et concedimus eisdem potestatem citra omnes nundinas quas perprius habuerunt duas liberas nundinas annuatim intra dictum burgum nostrum libertatem et bondas eiusdem vnam, viz., in die Sanctorum Petri et Pauli et per octauas eiusdem et alteram in die Sancti Dionisii et per eiusdem octauas tenendi; acetiam dedimus tenore presentisque carte nostre damus eisdem omnibusque legiis nostris dicto burgo venientibus liberam potestatem ad dictum diem foralem et ad omnes alias nundinas dicti nostri burgi omnia mercanciarum genera oues boues vaccas equos et alia bona vendibilia portandi et ducendi ac easdem ibidem vendendi, cum omnibus toloniis custumis priuilegiis libertatibus et facultatibus liberis nundinis et libero burgo regali quouismodo pertinentibus aut in futurum pertinere valentibus, et adeo libere sicut burghus noster de Edinburgh aut aliquis alius burghus regalis per nos aut predecessores nostros intra regnum nostrum infeodatur. **TENENDUM ET HABENDUM** totum et integrum prefatum burgum nostrum de Peblis et liberas terras eidem pertinentes cum suis pertinentiis in libero burgo regali perpetu-
aliter in futurum cum priuilegiis libertatibus et concessionibus suprascriptis ac omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus proficuis asiamentis ac iustis perti-

the provost, bailies, and to the inhabitants of the same all privileges and liberties above written, and others contained in their ancient infeftment had thereupon, and we have given and granted and by the tenor of our present charter give and grant power to them, besides all fairs which they had of before, to hold two free fairs annually within our said Burgh liberty and bounds of the same, to wit, one on the day of Saints Peter and Paul and during the octave of the same, and the other on the day of Saint Dionisius and during the octave of the same; and also we have given and by the tenor of our present charter give to them and to all our lieges coming into the said burgh full power to carry and take to the said day market, and to all other fairs of our said burgh all kinds of merchandice, sheep, oxen, cows, horses and other saleable goods and there to sell the same, with all tolls, customs, privileges, liberties, and faculties pertaining, or that in future can pertain to free fairs and to a free royal burgh, and as freely as our burgh of Edinburgh or any other royal burgh within our kingdom is infeft by us or our predecessors. **TO HAVE AND TO HOLD** all and whole our foresaid burgh of Peblis and free lands pertaining to the same with their pertinents in a free royal burgh perpetually in future with privileges liberties and grants above written and all other and singular liberties, profits, easements, and their just pertinents whatsoever within our kingdom pertaining or

nentiis suis quibuscunque nobis et predecessoribus nostris intra regnum nostrum pertinentibus aut pertinere valentibus sine aliqua reuocatione obstaculo impedimento aut contradictione quacunque. Prouiso omnimodo quod istarum nundinarum concessio nulla erit lesio nec preiudicium nulli alii burgo nostri regni. IN CUIUS REI TESTIMONIUM huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precipimus. Testibus reuerendissimo in Christo patre Johanne archiepiscopo Sancti Andree, etc.; dilectis nostris consanguineis Archibaldo comite Ergadie domino Campbell et Lorne etc., Gilberto comite de Cassillis domino Kennedy thesaurario nostro; venerabili in Christo patre Donaldo abbate monasterii nostri de Cupro nostri secreti sigilli custode; dilectis nostris familiaribus magistris Jacobo M'Gill de Rankeloure Nather nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico, Johanne Bellenden de Auchnoule nostre iusticie clerico et Alexandro Levyngstoun de Donypace nostre cancellarie direttore. Apud Peblis decimo septimo die mensis Decembris anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo quarto et regni nostri decimo tertio.

which might pertain to us and our predecessors without any revocation, obstacle, impediment, or contradiction whatsoever. Providing always that the grant of these fairs shall be no hurt or prejudice to any other burgh of our kingdom. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we have commanded our great seal to be appended to this our present charter. Witnesses the most reverend father in Christ John archbishop of St Andrews, etc.; our beloved cousins Archibald earl of Argyll lord Campbell and Lorne, etc., Gilbert earl of Cassillis lord Kennedy our treasurer; the venerable father in Christ Donald abbot of our monastery of Cupar keeper of our privy seal; our beloved servants masters James M'Gill of Rankeloure Nather clerk of our rolls register and council, John Bellenden of Auchnoule clerk of our justiciary, and Alexander Levyngstoun of Donypace director of our chancery. At Peblis on the seventeenth day of the month of December in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty four and in the thirteenth of our reign.

XXXV.

ELECTION and Institution of Gilbert Tuedy to the chaplainry of the altar of St. Mary of Geddes Aisle in the Collegiate Church of St. Andrew of Peebles. 19th and 22d July, 1559.

IN Dei Nomine, Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis

IN the name of God, Amen. By this present public instrument let it appear

pateat euidenter et sit notum quod anno Incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo nono, diebus vero mensis Julii decimo nono et vigesimo secundo, indictione secunda, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Pauli diuina prouidentia pape quarti anno quinto: In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti honorabiles viri, Joannes Horsbruk et Joannes Wychtman, balliui burgi de Peblis in pretorio eiusdem pro tribunali sedentes, vnacum communitate eiusdem burgi ibidem congregata, ad ydoneum capellanum eligendam ad ministrandum et deseruiendum in altari beate Marie de Geddes Ile in ecclesia collegiata beati Andree de Peblis fundata, in manibus suis per decessum quondam domini Joannis Ker vltimi possessoris eiusdem de iure vacante, et ibidem per prefatos balliuos et liberam electionem dicti communitatis et comburgensium dicti burgi, discretus vir Gilbertus Tuedy clericus ad deseruiendum et ministrandum in dicto altari vnanimi voto nulla interueniente discrepantia, electus erat: Quibusquidem peractis Joannes Horsbruk, vnus balliuorum predicti burgi, ad dictum altare beate Marie de Geddes Ile accessit, et ibidem prefatum Gilbertum Tuedy clericum, cum consensu dicte communitatis, in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem et institutionem dicti altaris iurium et pertinentiarum eiusdem instituit et induxit, per clausis calicis libri et ornamentorum prescripti altaris tradi-

evidently to all that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-nine, the nineteenth and twenty-second days of the month of July, the second indiction, the fifth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord, the lord Paul the Fourth, by divine providence pope: In presence of me, notary public, and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared honourable men, John Horsbruk and John Wychtman, bailies of the burgh of Peblis, sitting in judgment in the town hall thereof, together with the community of the said burgh there assembled, to elect a fit chaplain to minister and serve at the altar of the blessed Mary of St Geddes Aisle founded in the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peblis, lawfully vacant in their hands by the decease of Sir John Ker, last possessor thereof; and there a discreet man, Gilbert Tuedy, clerk, was, by a unanimous vote, without any disagreement, elected by the foresaid bailies and the free election of the said community and co-burgesses of the said burgh, to serve and minister at the said altar: Which being done, John Horsbruk, one of the bailies of the foresaid burgh, went to the said altar of the blessed Mary of Geddes Aisle, and there, with consent of the said community, instituted and inducted the foresaid Gilbert Tuedy, clerk, in the real, actual, and corporal possession and institution of the said altar, rights and pertinents thereof, by delivery of the key, chalice,

tionem, in huiusmodi altaris possessionis signum vt moris est et in talibus fieri consuetum secundum tenorem foundationis desuper confecte. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis prefatus Gilbertus Tuedy clericus antedictam institutionem et possessionis dicti altaris sic recipiens, a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec primo in pretorio burgi de Peblis horam circiter duodecimam in meredie secundo apud dictum altare horam circiter decimam ante merediam sub anno diebus, mense et pontificatu suprascriptis: Presentibus ibidem discretis viris Magistro Joanne Colquhone decano christianitatis de Peblis, dominis Joanne Tuedy, Joanne Bullo, Joanne Newtoun, Jacobo Lowys, presbyteris, Dauido Creichtoun, laico et domino Joanne Allane capellano et notario publico, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa rogatis pariter et requisitis.

Et ego vero Joannes Allane, presbyter, Glasguensis diocesis [*notarius, etc.*]

book, and ornaments of the foresaid altar, in sign of possession of the said altar, as is accustomed to be done in like cases, according to the tenor of the foundation thereupon made. Upon all and sundry which things the foresaid Gilbert Tuedy, clerk, so receiving the foresaid institution and possession of the said altar, asked me, notary public subscribing, to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done, first, in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, about the twelfth hour of noon, and secondly, at the said altar, about the tenth hour before noon, in the year, days, month, and pontificate above written: There being present discreet men, master John Colquhone, dean of the christianity of Peblis, Sirs John Tuedy, John Bullo, John Newtoun, James Lowys, priests, David Creichtoun, layman, and Sir John Allane, chaplain and notary public, with divers other witnesses, called and required to the premises.

And I John Allane, priest of the diocese of Glasgow [*notary, etc.*]

XXXVI.

LETTERS of Protection granted by Queen Mary to the Bailies Council and Community of the Burgh of Peebles. Peebles 28th August 1563.

REGINA :

MARIE, be the grace of God, Quene of Scottis : Till all and sindry our liegis and subditis quham it efferis quhais knowlege thir our

letteres salcum greting: Wit ye ws to haue takin and be thir our letteres takis vnder oure speciale protectioun supple manteinance defence and sauf gard, our louittis the baillies counsale and communitie of our burgh of Peblis, and all and sindry thair landis, baith commoun and propirtie, rentis possessiones heretageis milnis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes malingnis teindis houssis bigynnis muris mossis mercheis wayis gaittis roddis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis louchis fischingnis cornes catale orchartis yardis stankis dykis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris procuratouris and intromettouris, and all and sindry vtharis thair gudis moveable and vumoveabill quhatsumeuir quhair ever thai be within our realme: Quhairfore we charge straitlie and commandis yow, all and sindrie oure liegeis and subditis foirsaidis, that nane of yow tak apone hand to do to the said baillies counsale and communitie of our said burgh of Peblis or to all and sindry thair landis, commoun and propirtie, rentis possessiones heretageis milnis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes mailingnis teindis houssis bigiunis muris mossis mercheis wayis gaittis roddis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis louchis fischingnis cornes catale orchartis yardis medois stankis dykis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris procuratouris and intromettouris, or to all and sindrie vtharis thair gudis moveabill and unmoveable foirsaidis, ony evill molestatioun vexatioun violence distrubulance iniure harme or greif in ony maner of degre, vtherwayis than the commoun cours of law will, vnder all the hieast pane charge and offence that ye and ilkane of yow may commit and inrin aganes our Maiestie in that part, and in speciale vnder the pane of fourfaling and eschaeting of all your gudis to our vse for your contemptioun gif ye do incontrare heirof, certifying yow and ilkane of yow quha sa dois incontrare heirof in ony poynt or wyis we will mak yow be pvaist thairfore with all rigour as efferis. Gevin vnder our signet and subscriuit with our hand, at Peblis the xxviiij day of August the yere of God j^m v^e and lxiiij yeris and of our regnne the xxj yere. MARIE, R.

XXXVII.

GIFT and Donation by the Bailies Council and Community of Peebles to John Tweedie of the prebendary and chaplainry of the Rood and Holy Blood altar in the Parish Kirk of Peebles. Peebles, 31st March 1568.

APUD Peblis, vltimo die mensis Martii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo octauo. The said day, forsamekle as the baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis havand vacand in thair handis the prebendarie and chaplanrie of the Rude and Haly Blude altare, vnyt baith in ane, be deccis of vmquhile Sir James Davidsonsone, last prebendare thairof, and havand vndouttit rycht to the donatioun and dispositioun thairof, comperit John Horsbruk and Patrik Dikesone baillies of the said burgh of Peblis in the Tolbuth of the samin accompanit with the counsale and communitie thairof, and thair convenit to elect and cheis ane qualifit man to vse the said prebendarie conforme to the ordour newlie takin in semlabill caces, comperit Jhone Tuedy student and gaif in his supplicatioun [to] the [said] baillies counsale and communitie off the quhilk supplicatioun the tennour followis :—Schirris baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, vnto your wisdomes humblie menis I, your seruitour, Jhone Tuedy sone to Thomas Tuedy your nychtbour, burges of the said burgh, that I am leirnard at the scoill and as your wisdomes knawis my fadir has mony childrene ma nor I quhair through he may nocht sustene me to hald me at the scoillis in my youtheid to leirne vertu and your maisterschippis hes the said prebendarie of the Rude and Halie Blude altare, baith vnit in ane, situat within the parochie kirk of Peblis now vacand in your handis as vndouttit patrones thairof be deccis of vmquhile Sir James Davidsonsone last prebendare of the samin ; quhairfore desyring your maisterschippis effectuslie that I may haif the gift and donatioun of the prebendarie and altaris, rentis, prouentis, annuell rentis, commoditeis and proffittis, pertenand thairto, for the space of ten yeris, nixt heirefter following, to sustene me at the scoillis quhairthrough I may leirne to minister the Ewangell of Jesu Christ, and failyene that I be nocht abill and qualifit at

the end of the said ten yeris quhen I cum to the yeris of discretioun the said prebendarie and proffittis thairof to [returne] in your maisterschippis handis as vndouttid patrones thairof to be disponit be your maistersclippis als frelie as of before and your maisterschippis ansuer maist humlie I beseik. Efter the reding and publicatioun of the said supplicatioun the baillies in jugement requirit and askit at Mongo Williamsons and Adam Gilleis thair officiaris and burro seriandis of the said burgh of Peblis gif thai had warnit all nyctburis and conburgenses of the said burgh to heir the said prebendarie disponit, quha ansuerit sayand thai had warnit all nyctbouris dure be dure to the effect foirsaid: Consideratioun beand tane thairof the saidis baillies votit the samin be fre electioun of the hail communitte being present for the tyme quha gaif the said Johne Tuedy sone to the said Thomas Tuedy the gift and donatioun of the said prebendarie and of the rentis, prouentis, emolumentis commoditeis dewities and vtheris proffittis of the samin pertenant to the said prebendarie, to peceabillie brouk, jois, lift, rais and vptak the saidis proffittis for the saidis ten yeris till hald him at the scoillis with; and forthir efter the said ten yeris to brouk and jois the samin for all the dayis of his lifetyme being found qualifiit to serf and mak ministratioun in the kirk of God; and failyene he be nocht fund qualifiit at the end of the saidis ten yeris as said is it salbe lesume to the foirsaidis patrones to gyf the said prebendarie agane of new to ony vther that they think maist abill and qualifiit thairfor conforme to the lawis of this realme; and the said baillies and counsall hes ordanit [this] present gift and donatioun abuf writtin be resawit in registar [in thair] commoun bukis and the [samin to haif] the strenth of [ane eu]ident. In witness of [the quhilk thing the] said baillies hes subscriyuit thir presentis with our handis in maner following togider with the [subscrip]tioun of our commoun clerk and affixt our commoun seill heirto for the counsall and communitte consent to the samin. At our said burgh day yeir and place abuf writting befor thir witness; James Tuede, Johne Wychtman, Johne Frissall, Andro Frank, burgessis, etc.

JOHNE HORSBRVK, ballye. PATRIK DYKESONE, baillye.

Ita est. JOANNES DIKISONE, notarius publicus ac [communa] scriba
dicti burgi, sub mei [sign]o et subscriptione manualibus. . . .

XXXVIII.

GRANT by the Archbishop of Glasgow to Mr Henry Balfour of the office of Commissary of the Commissariat of Peebles. Leith, 6th November 1609.

BE IT KEND till all men be thir present letteres : We, Johnne archibishoppe of Glasgow, vnderstanding that our louit Mr Henrie Balfoure, aduocate, hes bene thir money yeiris bygane exercit in actionis and caussis belonging to the commissariatis jurisdictionis quhairthrow he is apt and able to discharge the office of ane commissar within the boundis of Teviotdail, Liddisdail, Tweddail and vtheris boundis in the pairtis subiect of befoir to repair to the commissariatis of Edinburgh and Lawder, perteneing to our diocie of Glasgow, to the honest and faithfull dischairge quhairof we haif ane speciall regard : THAIRFOIR wit ye ws to haif nominat and constitute, and be thir presentis nominatis and constitutis, the said Mr Henrie our commissar within the haill boundis foirsaid : Gevand to him the office thairof, with all feis casualiteis and dewteis perteneing and belonging thairto, during all the dayis of his lyftyme ; with full power to the said Mr Henrie to sit within the burgh of Peiblis sua that the said commissariat in all tyme beirefter salbe callit the commissariat of Peiblis, to create procuratouris, officeris and all vtheris memberis of court neidfull, and to vse and exerce the said office syclyk and als frielic as ony commissar within our diocie vses and exerces the samyn, and to conferme all testamentis gryt and small within the samyn boundis, the quotis quhairof sall pertene and belong to ws, for the quhilk the said Mr Henrie sall be answerable according to the iniunctionis gevin be ws to him thairaent and obligatioun maid thairvpone. IN WITNES QUHAIROF, we haue subscriuit thir presentis with our handis, at Leith, the saxt day of November the yeir of God j^m vj^c and nyne yeiris, befoir thir witnessis Johne Thomesoun writter to His Maiesteis signet, Andro Hay and Robert Blint our servitouris.

ANDRO HAY, witness.

GLASGOW.

ROBERT BLINT, witness.

XXXIX.

LETTER by the Archbishop of Glasgow to the provost, bailies, and councillors of Peebles as to the commissariat of Peebles. Off Edinburgh, 9th November 1609.

RYCHT TRAIST FREINDIS. At the instant sute of your neighbouris quhom yow directit hither, and for dyverse other guid consideratiouns, I haif appointit the Commissariat of these boundis to remain with yow in Peblis. I dout not as ye haif bein earnest to haif yowr town the seat of that judicatorie so ye wil haif care to se the judgis and thair memberis of courte weil vsit, and to your poweris wil assist the executioun of thair sentencis and suffer nothing to be done quhairby we may be movit to mak change or alteratioun afterwardis, quhilk we salbe lothe to do for ony manis request or perswasoun, that plaice hafing been the first choyse we maid in our awin mynd and certainly I tak it to be the fittest place. But because I must end with yow at this tym I commend thaim al to your kynd and guid vsage, assuring yow of my constant and vchangeable mynd towardis yow in this point and of any plesure else lvis in me to do to your town or either of yow. And so I commit yow to Almychtie God. Of Edinburgh the 9 day of November 1609.

Yowr assurit freind at my power,

GLASGOW.

To my very guid and ay traist freindis the proveist balyeis and counsal of the town of Peblis.

XL.

CHARTER of Confirmation and Novodamus by King James the Sixth, under the Great Seal, to the Provost, Bailies, Councillors, and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, of their several lands, rights, and privileges. Newmarket, 19th November 1621.

JACOBUS Dei gracia Magne Britannie Francie et Hybernie rex et fidei defensor ; omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis, salutem :

JAMES, by the grace of God king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith, to all good men of his whole land, clergy and laity, greeting : Know ye

SCIATIS nos, post nostram legitimam et perfectam ætatem completam omnesque nostras tam speciales quam generales revocationes, considerantes assiduam curam et singulare studium que nos nostrique nobilissimi progenitores dignissime memorie in burgorum regalium erectione infra regnum nostrum Scotie contulimus, in quorum incremento civitas, emolumentum et eiusdem regni decus consistunt, ipsumque quotidie augetur et ditatur; ac nos in memoriam revocantes antiquam erectionem burgi nostri de Peblis, egregia beneficia et memorabilia ac grata servicia per ballivos, consules, burgenses et communitatem dicti burgi nostri de Peblis, absque vlla suspicione, culpa aut crimine, omni occasione preterita tam bello quam pace prestita et impensa, non solum adversus hostes externos patriam propugnando, verum etiam corporum et bonorum suorum obiectu apertis et manifestis oppressoribus tam in oris Anglie quam Scocie reluctando; ac etiam magna detrimenta et damna per eos inde perpressa, et in transgressores aliosque legum nostrarum infra regnorum nostrorum limites violatores animadvertendo vrbe sepius spoliata, incensa, vasta et desolata, precontigua dictis oris adjacenti, ac in memoriam revocantes dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis locum commodissimum semper extitisse vbi juris administratio pro tempore tutam et securam residentiam ac tuitionem pro malefactoribus apud eiusdem curias Justiciarie particulares

that we, after our lawful full and perfect age, and all our revocations, as well special as general, considering the assiduous care and singular diligence which we and our most noble ancestors of most worthy memory have taken in the erection of royal burghs within our kingdom of Scotland, in the increase of which, the policy advantage and glory of our said kingdom consists, and is thereby daily augmented and renowned, and we calling to remembrance the ancient erection of our burgh of Peebles, the great benefits, memorable and thankful services done and performed by the bailies, burgesses, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, without any suspicion, fault or crime in every past occasion, as well in peace as war, not only by defending the country against foreign enemies, but also by exposing their persons and estates in resisting open and evident oppressors, as well on the borders of England as of Scotland, and likewise the great prejudice and loss sustained by them thereby, both in punishing criminals and other breakers of the law within the marches of our kingdom, the town lying contiguous to the said borders being often sacked, burnt, laid waste and desolated, likewise calling to our remembrance that the said burgh of Peebles has always been a very convenient place where the administration of justice for the time might have a safe and secure residence and defence, for punishing malefactors at the particular courts of justiciary thereof, and

puniendis habere potuerit, ac per dictum burgum eiusdemque incolas semper ab aperta invasione protecta, conservata et suffulta extiterit; ac nos benevolentes jura et privilegia dicto nostro burgo de Peblis, burgensibus et incolis eiusdem, ab antiquo concessa tueri, vt iis inde in fideli officio et servicio persistendi melior occasio daretur; **IGITUR** nos, cum avisamento et consensu predilecti nostri consanguinei et consiliiarii Joannis comitis de Mar, domini Erskyn et Gareoch etc. magni nostri Thesaurarii computorum Rotulatoris et Collectoris generalis dicti regni nostri Scocie, ac reliquorum Dominorum nostri Secreti Consilii nostrorum commissionerum eiusdem regni nostri, ratificauimus, approbauimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmauimus, tenore eiusdem ratificamus, approbamus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus omnes et quascunque cartas, infeofamenta, precepta et sasinarum instrumenta, confirmationes, acta, decreta et sententias, jura, securitates, scripta, evidencias, dona, donationes, libertates, commoditates et privilegia, facta, data et concessa per nos aut nobilissimos nostros progenitores prefato nostro burgo de Peblis et incolis ejusdem eorumque successoribus, cum omnibus ecclesiis, collegiis, prebendariis et capellaniis dicti burgi, de quibuscunque formis aut modis contento siue contentis, data siue datis eadem existunt; Et presertim absque vlllo preiudicio generalitatis predictas par-

has been always protected, preserved and supported from open invasion by the said burgh and inhabitants thereof: and we being willing to defend the rights and privileges anciently granted to our said burgh of Peebles and to the burgesses and inhabitants of the same, that thenceforth a better opportunity may be given them of continuing in their faithful office and service: **THEREFORE**, we, with the advice and consent of our well beloved cousin and councillor, John, earl of Mar, lord Erskine, and Gareoch, &c., our high Treasurer, comptroller and general collector of our said Kingdom of Scotland, and of the rest of the lords of our privy council, commissioners of our said kingdom, have ratified, approved, and by this our present charter confirmed, and by the tenor thereof, ratify, approve, and for us and our successors for ever, confirm all and whatever charters, infeftments, precepts and instruments of sasine, confirmations, acts, decreets and sentences, rights, securities, writs, evidents, gifts, grants, liberties, commodities and privileges, made, given, and granted by us or our most noble ancestors to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, and to the inhabitants of the same and their successors, with all the churches, colleges, prebendaries and chaplainries of the said burgh of whatever forms or modes, content or contents, date or dates, the same may be; and especially without any prejudice to the generality foresaid, the particular

ticulares cartas, infeofamenta, jura et evidencias subttus specificatas, donationes, priuilegia, dona, libertates, commoditates et immunitates inibi mentionatas, videlicet, CARTAM per quondam Jacobum Secundum Scotorum Regem dignissime memorie prefato burgo nostro de Peblis burgensibus et communitati eiusdem factam, de omnibus et singulis infeofamentis, libertatibus, sasinis et possessionibus, dictis burgensibus ac dicto burgo factis et concessis per dictum quondam Regem suosque antecessores super infeofamentis et libertatibus dicti burgi, curiis, burgensium creatione, eorumque conburgensium et inhabitantium dicti burgi replegiatione, firmis, minutis customis, eschaetis et curiarum amerciamentis, electione, creatione et approbatione officiariorum, transgressorum punitione, molendinis, multuris et eorum sequelis, aucupatione et venatione, in tantum quantum ad dictum quondam Jacobum Regem Secundum suosque antecessores ante infeofamentum dicti burgi pertinuerunt, cum communitatibus, pasturagiis, libero exitu et introitu ad moram nostram regiam de Cadmure, Hammildoun et Wenlaw cum pertinentiis, ac communi pasturagio cum libero exitu et introitu ad terras de Glentars a solis ortu et eiusdem occasu, quequidem ad dictum nostrum burgum de Peblis annexate sunt : ITEM, ALIAM cartam per quondam Jacobum Quartum Scotorum Regem predicto nostro burgo de Peblis, conburgensibus et communitati eiusdem, eorumque successoribus factam, datam et concessam de omnibus et singulis charters, infestments, rights and evidents, under specified, and the gifts, priuileges, grants, liberties, commodities and immunities therein mentioned, viz., a Charter granted by the late James the Second, King of Scots, of most worthy memory, to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, burgesses and community thereof, of all and sundry infestments, liberties, sasines, and possessions made and granted to the said burgesses and the said burgh, by the said deceased king and his ancestors, of the infestments and liberties of the said burgh, courts, creation of burgesses and the repledging of their co-burgesses and the inhabitants of the said burgh, duties, petty customs, escheats, and fines of court, election, creation and approbation of officers, punishment of transgressors, mills, multures, and their sequels, hawking and hunting, in so far as belonged to the said King James the Second and his ancestors before the infestment of the said burgh, with commonties, pasturages, free ish and entry to our royal muir of Cademuir, Hammildoun, and Venlaw, with the pertinents, and with common pasturage and free ish and entry to the lands of Glentars from sunrise to sunset, which are annexed to our said burgh of Peebles ; as also another Charter made, given and granted by the late James the Fourth King of Scots to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, the co-burgesses and community of the same and their successors of all and sundry liberties, sasines,

libertatibus, sasinis et possessionibus per eos eorumque predecessores antea habitis et vsitatis, ac etiam de omnibus et singulis infeofamentis, sasinis, possessionibus et priuilegiis, super antedictis infeofamentis et libertatibus, prefato nostro burgo quouis tempore preterito datis et concessis, cum potestate dictis conburgensibus et communitati curias tenendi et habendi, cum burgensium creatione eorumque conburgensium ac dicti nostri burgi inhabitantium replagatione, vna cum firma burgali, minutis customis, amerciamentis curiarum, eschaetis, officiariorum electione, et transgressorum punitione infra dictum burgum, sicuti nostri burgi regales habent, vna etiam cum molendinis et presertim cum molendino super latere Castri montis de Peblis edificato, annibus molendinariis, multuris, seruiciis, ac cum domibus et edificiis super latere dicti Castri montis edificatis, cum aquis, piscationibus, aucupationibus, venationibus, in tantum quantum ad dictum quondam Jacobum Regem suosque antecessores ante infeofamentum dicti burgi pertinuerunt; cum montibus, terris et vallibus, ac vsu earundem, super eorum terris communibus de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenlaw, et Commoun Struther, eisdemque vtendi et gaudendi per pasturationem, arationem et seminationem, prout ipsis opportunum et expedientissimum visum fuerit, ac sicuti illi eorumque predecessores eisdem perprius vsi et gavisus sunt; ac cum communi pasturagio, libero exitu et introitu ad communiam de Glentars a solis ortu et eiusdem

and possessions formerly had and enjoyed by them and their predecessors; and also of all and singular infeftments, sasines, possessions and priuileges of the foresaid infeftments and liberties given and granted to our foresaid burgh at any time by-past, with power to the said co-burgesses and community of having and holding courts with creation of burgesses, the repleding of their co-burgesses and the inhabitants of our said burgh, together with the burgh farm, petty customs, fines of court, escheats, election of officers, and punishing of transgressors within the said burgh such as our royal burghs have, together also with mills and especially with the mill built upon the side of the Castle-hill of Peebles, mill-dams, multures sequels and with houses and biggings built upon the side of the said Castle-hill with waters, fishings, hawkings, huntings so far as they belonged to the said King James and his ancestors before the infeftment of the said burgh, with hills lands and valleys, and use of the same upon their common lands of Cademuir, Homildoun, Venlaw and Common Struther and of using and enjoying the same by pasturage, tillage and sowing in such manner as they shall think most convenient and expedient, and as they and their predecessors used and enjoyed the same of before, and with common pasturage free ish and entry to the common of Glentars from sunrise to sunset, and

occasu, ac in vsitatione viarum, metarum et communitatum, prout in usu fuerunt, absque villo impedimento cuiuscunque persone aut personarum, pro eorum focalium portatione et tractione ac omnium aliorum necessariorum ad dictum burgum et eiusdem communitatem, absque impedimento cuiuscunque persone aut personarum infra aut extra dictum burgum, vt dictum est, habitantium ; cum communi pasturagio super mora vocata *lie Kingismure* in passagio de Cadmure, et adeo libere sicuti dictus burgus aliquibus priuilegiorum [ante]dictorum quouis tempore preterito gavisus est aut possidebat, prout in dicta carta de data apud Edinburgum vigesimo quarto die mensis Julij, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo [sexto] latius continetur ; ITEM ALIAM CARTAM, per quondam Dauidem Regem dignissime memorie, capellanie Sancte Marie infra dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis fundate concessam, de molendino de Innerlethaine cum integris multuris que ab antiquo ad molendinum de Traquair pertinuerunt, super boreali latere aque de Tweid a villa de Horsburgh ad *lie Gaiithopburne*, prout in dicta carta de data vigesimo die mensis Septembris et regni dicti Davidis anno tricesimo octavo latius continetur ; Vnacum omnibus aliis et singulis cartis, infeofamentis, donis, donationibus, priuilegiis, immunitatibus, actis parlamenti, decretis, et sententiis, per nos aut nobilissimos nostros progenitores, aut per quameunque aliam personam aut personas, factis et concessis, in et ad

the use of the ways meiths and commonties as they have been accustomed, without any impediment of any person or persons, for the bringing and carrying of peats, and all other necessaries, to the said burgh and community of the same, without impediment of any person or persons dwelling within or without the said burgh, as said is ; with common pasturage on the muir called the King's Muir, in the passage of Cademuir, and as freely as the said burgh enjoyed or possessed any of the said privileges at any time by-past, as is more fully contained in the said Charter, dated at Edinburgh, the twenty-fourth day of the month of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand five hundred [and six] ; And also another Charter granted by the late King David, of most worthy memory of the Chaplainry of St Mary founded within our said burgh of Peebles, and of the mill of Innerleithen, with the whole multures which belonged of old to the mill of Traquair, upon the north side of the water of Tweed, from the village of Horsburgh to the Gaiithopburn as is more fully contained in the said charter, dated the twentieth day of September, and of the reign of the said David, the thirty-eighth year ; together with all and singular charters, infeftments, gifts, grants, privileges, immunities, acts of Parliament, decrees, and sentences made and granted by us, or our most noble progenitors, or by any other person or persons whatever, to and in favour of the

favorem dictorum prepositi, balliuorum, consulum et communitatis dicti burgi nostri de Peblis pro tempore, eorumque predicessorum et successorum quorumcunque, penes erectionem dicti burgi in vnum liberum burgum regalem, ac de omnibus iuribus, titulis, et priuilegiis, de jure seu regni nostri consuetudine eidem spectantibus; Omnibusque et singulis terris, montibus, vallibus, viis, semitis, moris, marresiis, censibus, amerciamentis et curiarum eschaetis, domibus, edificiis, tenementis, hortis, donationibus, possessionibus, molendinis, terris molendinariis, multuris, amnibus, ripis, redditibus, annuis redditibus, omnibusque earundem pertinentiis; Ac de omnibus nundinis et foris, cum immunitatibus, priuilegiis et customis earundem vsitatis et consuetis, ac de omnibus aliis libertatibus, terris, redditibus, et jurisdictionibus quibus dicti prepositus, balliui, consules et communitas dicti burgi de Peblis, per seipsos eorumve predicessores, quouis tempore preterito gavisii sunt, possiderunt, aut vsi sunt, aut quibus illi pro presenti quocunque modo gaudent, vtuntur, aut possident: AC ETIAM omnes et singulas mortificationes, jura patronatum, infeofamenta, donationes, et dispositiones, per nos aut predicessores nostros, aut quancunque aliam personam aut personas, prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi eorumque predicessoribus, factis et concessis, de quibuscunque terris, tenementis, domibus, edificiis, supremo et *lie croce kirk* dicti burgi, cemeteriis, prebendariis,

foresaid provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh of Peebles, for the time and of their predecessors and successors whatsoever, concerning the erection of the said burgh into a free royal burgh, and of all rights, titles, and privileges, belonging to the same by the law or custom of our kingdom, and with all and sundry lands, hills, valleys, ways, paths, muirs, marshes, duties, customs, fines and escheats of courts, houses, biggings, tenements, yards, gifts, possessions, mills, mill-lands, multure, with dams, banks, rents, annual-rents and all others their pertinents, and of all fairs and markets with the immunities, privileges and customs of the same, used and wont, and of all other liberties, lands, rents and jurisdictions which the said provost, bailies, counsellors, and community of the said burgh of Peebles, used, possessed, or enjoyed by themselves or their predecessors at any time by-past, or which they now possess, use, or enjoy in any manner of way: AS ALSO, all and singular mortifications, rights of patronage, infetments, gifts, and dispositions, made and granted by us or our predecessors, or any other person or persons, to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors and community of the said burgh, and their predecessors of whatsoever lands, tenements, houses, biggings, the High and Cross Kirks of the said burgh,

capellis, capellaniis, feudifirmis, obitibus, et anniversariis, vbicunque infra aut extra dictum nostrum burgum jacent, particulariter et generaliter in dictis donis, donationibus, mortificationibus, dispositionibus, aut eorum aliquibus, contentis, secundum formas et tenores eorundem, cum omnibus actis, sententiis, et decretis de eisdem aut aliqua earundem factis et concessis. INSUPER VOLUMUS et concedimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, pro perpetuo decernimus et ordinamus quod dicta g[eneralitas nullo modo erit preiudicio nec obstaculo specialitati, et specialitas nullo modo erit preiudicio aut obstaculo generalitati, et quod presens haec nostra confirmatio et approbatio premissorum est, et erit omni tempore affuturo, in se bona valida et sufficiens omniibus in respectibus prefato [burgo nostro de Peblis, preposito, bal]liuis, consulibus et communitati eiusdem eorumque successoribus, ac si omnia et singula dicta infeofamenta, dona, donationes, confirmationes, jura, tituli, securitates, scripta, evidentie, decreta, privilegia et commoditates, tam specialiter quam generaliter inibi mentionata, [ad longum et verbatim in hac presenti carta nostra] insererentur, non obstante minime insertione earundem super quo nos pro nobis et successoribus nostris dispensauimus, ac per presentis carte nostre tenorem dispensamus imperpetuum: PRETEREA nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto, pro bono fideli et gratuito seruicio n[obis] et nobilissimis burial-places, prebendaries, chapels, chaplainaries, feu-duties, obits, and anniversaries, wherever they lie, within or without our said Burgh, particularly and generally contained in the said grants, gifts, mortifications, dispositions or any of them, according to the forms and tenors of the same, with all acts, sentences, and decreets made and granted, of the same, or any of them. MOREOVER, We will and grant and for us and our successors, with advice and consent foresaid, for ever, decern and ordain that the said generality shall be no prejudice or obstacle to the speciality, and that the speciality shall be no prejudice or obstacle to the generality, and that this our present confirmation and approbation of the premises is and shall be, in all time coming, in itself good, valid and sufficient, in all respects, to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, to the provost, bailies, councillors and community of the same, and their successors, as if all and singular the said infeftments, grants, gifts, confirmations, rights, titles, securities, writs, evidents, decrees, privileges and commodities as well specially as generally therein mentioned, were inserted at length and *verbatim* in this our present charter, notwithstanding the non-insertion of the same, wherewith we for ourselves and our successors, have dispensed, and by the tenor of this our present charter dispense for ever: MOREOVER, with advice and consent foresaid, for the good faithful and gratuitous service made and done to us, and our most noble progenitors

nostris progenitoribus per dictos prepositum, ballivos, consules et communitatem dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque predicesores prestito et impenso, et vt iis in dicto fideli seruicio persistendi melior occasio daretur, DE NOVO dedimus, concessimus, disposuimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmauimus, tenoreque eiusdem de novo damus, concedimus, disponimus ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus, prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus imperpetuum, totum et integrum predictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus, sasinis, priuilegiis et possessionibus per eos eorumque predicesores vsitatis et habitis, cum omnibus et singulis infeofamentis, sasinis, possessionibus et priuilegiis, quouis tempore preterito super dictis infeofamentis et libertatibus predicto nostro burgo datis et concessis, cum potestate dictis conburgensibus et communitati curias habendi et tenendi, cum creatione conburgensium, et eorum conburgensium et inhabitantium dicti burgi replagatione, cum censu burgali et minutis customis, eiusdem eschaetis et dictarum curiarum amerciametis, officiariorum creatione et transgressorum infra dictum burgum punitione, sicuti reliqui nostri burgi regales infra dictum nostrum regnum Scocie habent : CUM potestate etiam dictis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi eorumque successoribus, frequentandi, vtendi et by the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh of Peebles and their predecessors, and that better encouragement may be given to them to continue the said faithful service, we have of new given, granted, and disposed, and by this our present charter confirmed, and by the tenor thereof of new give, grant, and dispo, and for us and our successors for ever confirm to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles and their successors for ever All and Whole our said burgh of Peebles, with all and singular liberties, sasines, priuileges and possessions used and had by them and their predecessors, with all and singular infetments, sasines, possessions and priuileges, made and granted at any time bypast concerning the said infetments and liberties to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, with power to the said burgesses and community of having and holding courts, with the creation of co-burgesses and the repleding of their co-burgesses and the inhabitants of the said burgh, with the burgh-farm and petty customs of the same, escheats and fines of the said courts, creation of officers and punishment of transgressors within the said burgh, as the rest of our royal burghs have within our said kingdom of Scotland, with power likewise to the said provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh and their successors, of frequenting, using, and exercising the trade and traffic

exercendi mercaturas, *lie trade and trafficque of merchandice*, emendi, transgendi, vendendi et revendendi omne genus mercantiarum, tam peregrinarum quam conterranearum, non solum infra libertatem et territorium ac jurisdictionem dicti nostri burghi sed etiam infra omnes alias partes infra integras bondas vicecomitatus nostri de Peblis tam regalitatis quam regalis; Cum potestate etiam dictis preposito, balliis, consulibus et communitati dicti nostri burghi de Peblis eorumque successoribus, factoribus et seruatoribus eorum nominibus omnes parvas custumas aliasque devorias infra bondas predictas intromittendi, levandi et recipiendi; Ac infra eundem burgum et territorium eiusdem pro perpetuo mercatorum gilda gaudendi, fruendi et possidendi, cum gildarum curiis, concilio, membris et jurisdictione eidem pertinentibus, libertatibus et priuilegiis huiusmodi, similiter et adeo libere sicuti per nos aut predicessores nostros quibusuis liberorum nostrorum burgorum regalium infra dictum regnum nostrum Scocie concessa sunt: Ac etiam infra predictum burgum heptomadatim dies forales secundum vsum et consuetudinem dicti burghi habendi, gaudendi, fruendi, et exercendi, vnacum tribus liberis nundinis ter in auno, prima earundem annuatim tertio die mensis Maii, *lie Beltane day* vocato, incipienda, et eandem pro spatio quadraginta octo horarum postea tenendi et continuandi; secunda vero dictarum nundinarum vigesimo nono die mensis Junii, vocato *Sanct Petiris day*,

of merchandise, buying, transacting, selling, and re-selling all kinds of merchandise, as well foreign as domestic, not only within the liberty and territory and jurisdiction of our said burgh, but likewise within all other places within the whole bounds of our sheriffdom of Peebles, as well of regality as royal, with power likewise to the said provost, bailies, counsellors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, their factors and servants in their names, of intromitting with, levying and receiving, all the petty customs and other duties, within the foresaid bounds; and for ever using enjoying and possessing a guild of merchants within the said burgh, and territory thereof, with guild courts, council, members, and jurisdiction thereto belonging, liberties and privileges of the same, sicklike and as freely as they were granted by us or our predecessors to any one of our free royal burghs within our said kingdom of Scotland: As also of holding, using, enjoying, and exercising within the foresaid burgh, weekly market-days, according to the use and custom of the said burgh, together with three free fairs thrice in the year, the first thereof beginning yearly upon the third day of the month of May, called *Beltane day*, the same to be held and continued for the space of forty-eight hours thereafter; the second of the said fairs, to begin upon the twenty-ninth day of June called *St Peter's day*, and to continue for the space of forty-

incipienda ac pro spatio quadraginta octo horarum deinceps continuandi ; et tertia vero dictarum nundinarum vigesimo quarto die mensis Augusti, vocato *Sanct Bartholomais day*, incipienda et pro spatio octo dierum postea secundum vsum solitum et consuetum tenendi et continuandi, vnacum vicecomitis feodo, vicecomitis chyrotbecis, toloniis, custumis, impositionibus, exactionibus, omnibusque aliis feodis, devoriis, priuilegiis et libertate que ad dicta fora et nundinas durante tempore earundem pertinere dignoscuntur, similiter adeoque libere in omnibus respectibus sicuti quivis alius liber burgus infra dictum regnum nostrum suis foris et nundinis fruuntur et possident, aut que illi eorumve predicesores eisdem antea fruebantur et possidebant: MANDANTES ET PRECIPIENTES ne vlla persona seu persone, vel regalitatis seu regalis, qui non burgenses dicti nostri burgi existunt, vsurpare, exercere aut occupare infra vicecomitatum burgi nostri de Peblis, aut bondas vicecomitatus eiusdem, mercaturas, aut vsu[m] mercimonii tam peregrini quam conterranei ad liberum burgum regalem spectantes, aut aliquam partem vel priuilegium liberum burgum tangentem, sub pena incarcerationis earum personarum earumque mercimonii confiscationis, presument : INSUPER nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto damus et concedimus plenam potestatem, commissionem et auctoritatem prefatis preposito, balliuis et consulibus dicti nostri burgi eorumque successibus, acta, statuta et ordinationes pro dicti burgi communi bono et proficuo ac

eight hours thereafter ; and the third of the said fairs, to begin upon the twenty-fourth day of the month of August, called St Bartholomew's day, and to be held and continue for the space of eight days thereafter, according to use and wont, together with the sheriff's fee, sheriff's gloves, tolls, customs, impositions, exactions, and all other fees, duties, privileges and liberty, which are known to pertain to the said fairs and markets, during the time of the same, sicklike and as freely in all respects as any other free burgh within our said kingdom enjoys and possesses their said fairs or markets, or which they or their predecessors formerly possessed or enjoyed the same. Commanding and charging that no person or persons, either of regality or royalty, who are not burgesses of the said burgh, presume to usurp, exercise, or occupy within the sheriffdom of our said burgh of Peebles, or the bounds of the shire of the same, either merchandise, or the use of merchandise, whether foreign or domestic belonging to a free royal burgh, or any part or privilege belonging to a free burgh, under the pain of imprisonment of their persons and confiscation of their merchandise: MOREOVER, we, with advice and consent foresaid, give and grant full power, commission, and authority to the foresaid provost, bailies, and councillors, of our said burgh, and their successors, to make and publish acts, statutes and ordinances, for the common good and profit of the said

libertatum et priuilegiorum eiusdem titione. per omnes inhabitantes et eiusdem burgi burgenses, omnesque alias personas eo commorantes et frequentantes, observanda sub talibus penis sicuti ipsis videbitur expediens, faciendi et promulgandi, cum speciali potestate iisdem infra territorium dicti burgi dicta acta et ordinationes, cum omnibus actis parlamenti, generalis aut secreti consilii, burgorum constitutionibus, omnibusque aliis decretis et sententiis in favorem dictarum eorum libertatum datis aut dandis, factis aut pronuntiandis, ad finalem executionem ponendi, et pro eorundem meliori executione in iisdem sedendi, iudicandi et decernendi, cum speciali potestate ipsis omnes personas, dictorum suorum priuilegiorum, actorum, constitutionum, decretorum et sententiarum predictarum violatores, vocandi, prosequendi, arrestandi, incarcerandi, eosdemque prout ipsis videbitur expediens mulctandi et ameriandi, quasquidem mulctas et penas nos, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, communi vsui dicti burgi et ad suppeditationem communium necessariorum eiusdem damus et disponimus : PRETEREA nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto DE NOVO assedavimus et ad feudifirmam hereditarie dimisimus, dedimus, concessimus, disposuimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmavimus, tenoreque eiusdem de novo assedavimus et ad feudifirmam hereditarie dimittimus, damus, concedimus, disponimus ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus prefatis preposito, balliuis, con-

burgh, and for maintenance of the liberties and privileges of the same, to be observed by all the inhabitants and burgesses of the said burgh and all other persons dwelling and haunting there, under such penalties as to them shall seem expedient, with special power to them within the territory of the said burgh, to put to final execution the said acts and ordinances, with all acts of parliament, general or secret council, constitutions of burghs, and all other decreets and sentences given or to be given, made or to be pronounced, in favour of the liberties thereof, and for the better execution of the same, to sit, judge and decern thereon, with special power to them of calling, prosecuting, arresting, and incarcerating, and of fining and ameriating, as to them shall seem expedient, all persons violating their said privileges, acts, constitutions, decrees, and sentences foresaid ; which fines and penalties, we, with advice and consent foresaid, give and dispo to the common use of the said burgh, and to the supply of common necessaries : MOREOVER we, with advice and consent foresaid, have of new let and in feu-farm heritably, let, given, granted, disposed, and by this our present charter confirmed, and by the tenor hereof we of new set, and in feu-farm heritably, let, give, grant, dispo, and for us and our successors for ever confirm to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said

sulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque successoribus, totas et integras terras de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenlaw et Struther, Castellimontem de Peblis cum molendino granario vocato *lie the Ruidmylne*, et molendino fullonum super latere dicti Castri montis edificato, cumque molendino granario vocato *the Auldmylne* super aqua de Peblis ex boreali latere eiusdem, cum terris molendinariis, annibus molendinariis, multuris, sequelis, et omnibus earundem pertinentiis, cum integris domibus et tenementis super dictum Castellimontem edificatis et earundem pertinentiis; dictum molendinum granarium de Innerlethaine, cum integris multuris que ab antiquo ad dictum molendinum de Traquair pertinuerunt super boreali latere aque de Tweid a villa de Horsburgh ad *lie Gaithopburne*, cum terris molendinariis, annibus molendinariis, astrictis multuris, sequelis, et pertinentiis earundem, ac terras prope dictum molendinum vocatas *lie Hillhoussis* cum terris vocatis *lie Thomashauch* et earundem pertinentiis, vna cum molendino fullonum de Innerlethaine et eiusdem pertinentiis, cum integris aquis et piscationibus tam salmonum quam aliorum piscium super aquis de Tweid et Peblis, aliisque piscationibus ad dictum burgum spectantibus et quas illi eorumque predecessores quovis tempore preterito possederunt; vna cum customis apud pontem de Tweid solitis et consuetis: AC ETIAM damus, concedimus, disponimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus

burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and hail the lands of Cadmure, Hammildoun, Venlaw, and Struther, the Castle-hill of Peebles, with the corn-mill, called the Ruid-mill and waulk-mill, built upon the side of the said Castle-hill, and with the corn-mill, called the Auld-mill, upon the water of Peebles, on the north side of the same, with mill-lands, mill-dams, multures, sequels, and all their pertinents, with the hail houses and tenements built upon the said Castle Hill, and their pertinents, the said corn-mill of Innerleithen, with the hail multures, which pertained of old to the said Mill of Traquair, upon the north side of the water of Tweed, from the village of Horsburgh to the Gaithopeburn, with the mill-lands, mill-dams, astricted multures, and pertinents of the same, and the lands near the said mill called Hillhouses with the lands called Thomashauch, together with the waulk-mill of Innerleithen and pertinents of the same, with the hail waters and fishings as well of salmon as other fishes, upon the waters of Tweed and Peebles, and other fishings belonging to the said burgh, and which they and their predecessors have possessed at any time bypast, together with the customs at the bridge of Tweed used and wont. AND ALSO, we give, grant, dispone, and for us and our successors, for ever

nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus prefato burgo in communitate solummodo, secundum infeofamenta supraspecificata, totas et integras terras de Glentars, comprehendentes particulares terras subscriptas, viz. Carcad, Dovank, Brounmure, Hollielaw, Cramsykis, Pilmure, Cruikishope, Cruikislaw, Quhytfeild, Rogamountis, Dounrig, Annatishope, Douncleuch, Birniebank, Helenecluch, Kingiskippis, Carlingeraig, Langhopheid, Summarcluch, Craigendis, Glenferriat, Sommersyid, Commounhill, Quhytsyike, Glenlude, Hairfauldrig, Castelgerret, Lambla, Brounhill, Card, Tuafauldrig, Eister Castellgerret, Westir Cramsykis et Cairsmen, vnacum omnibus aliis partibus, pendiculis et pertinentiis dictarum terrarum de Glentars, prout eadem tendunt a bondis de Hammildoun ad lie Burnefute et inde ad Gathope et deorsum Gathopeburne ad Tweid : *NECNON* damus, concedimus, disponimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, omnes et singulas prefatas terras vocatas *lie the Kingismure* jacentes prope dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, Quequidem ad quondam Cuthbertum Elphingstoun de Henderstoun et Joannem Elphingstoun eius filium pertinerunt : *INSUPER* nos cum avisamento et consensu prescripto damus, concedimus et disponimus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, priuilegium

confirm to the foresaid burgh in commonty only, according to the infeftments above specified, all and hail the lands of Glentars, comprehending the particular lands underwritten, viz.—Carcad, Dovank, Brounmure, Hollielaw, Cramsykes, Pilmure, Cruikishope, Cruikislaw, Quhytfeild, Rogamountis, Dounrig, Annatishope, Douncleugh, Birniebank, Helenecluch, Kingiskippis, Carlingeraig, Langhopheid, Summarcluch, Craigendis, Glenferriat, Sommersyid, Common-hill, Quhytsyike, Glenlude, Hairfauldrig, Castelgerret, Lambla, Brounhill, Card, Tuafauldrig, Eister Castellgerret, Westir Cramsykis, and Cairsmen, together with all other parts, pendicles, and pertinents of the said lands of Glentars, as the same go from the bounds of Homildoun to Burnfute, and from thence to Gathope, and down Gathopeburn to Tweed. *AND LIKewise*, we give, grant, dispoine, and for us and our successors, for ever confirm to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and singular the foresaid lands called the King's Muir, lying near our said burgh of Peebles, which pertained to the late Cuthbert Elphinstone of Henderstone and John Elphinstone his son : *MOREOVER*, we, with advice and consent foresaid, give, grant, and dispoine to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of the said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, the privilege and liberty of

et libertatem omnium viarum, platearum et passagiorum tendentium ad et a dicto burgo ad quascunque alias partes infra hoc regnum nostrum Scoocie, dictasque vias et passagia in eorum latitudine et integritate, ne per aliquam personam aut personas destructe aut diminute fuerint, protegendi et conservandi, vnde eo nos facilius iter conficere possumus : AC ETIAM nos cum avisa-mento et consensu predicto damus, concedimus et in feudifirmam dimittimus pre-fatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, totas et integras communes terras dicti burgi, cum potestate et libertate myricas eradicandi, petaria, turbaria et focalia *lie fewall fuill et dovelt*, in communi mora et marresiis, *lie mossis*, dicti burgi, infra omnes quatuor dimidietates dictum burgum ambientibus procul et prope, effodiendi et lucrandi, et quasquidem dicti prepositus, balliui, consules, et communitas eiusdem burgi eorumque predicesores nunc possident aut quo-cunque tempore preterito possederunt : PRETEREA nos considerantes diuersa pre-bendaria, capellanas et altaragia, hospitalia ali:que eiusdem nature infra dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis fundata esse, et quod nunc animo nostro insidet eadem dicto burgo disponere ad eum effectum vt proficua eorundem communibus operibus dicti nostri burgi impetiantur : IGITUR nos cum avisa-mento et consensu predicto DE NOVO damus, concedimus et disponimus pre-fatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de

all ways, roads, and passages going to and from the said burgh to whatever other parts within this our kingdom of Scotlaud, and of protecting and preserving the said ways and passages in their length and extent, that the same may not be destroyed or diminished by any person or persons, that whereby we may have easier access thereto : AND ALSO, we with advice and consent foresaid, give, grant, and in feu-farm let to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors and com-munity of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and whole the common lands of the said burgh with power and liberty of pulling heather, of digging and taking away peats, turfs, fewal, feal and divot in the common muir and mosses of the said burgh, within the four corners of the said Burgh, far and near, and which the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of the said burgh and their predecessors now possess or at any time past did possess : MOREOVER, we, considering that diverse prebendaries, chaplainaries, and altarages hospitals, and others of the same nature, were founded within our [said burgh of Peebles, and that it is now our intention to dispone the same to the said burgh, to the effect that the profits of the same may be expended upon the common works of our said burgh ; therefore we, with advice and consent foresaid, of new, give, grant, and dispone to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said

Peblis, omnes et singulas terras, molendina, multuras, annuos redditus, tenementa, feudifirmas, census, canas, custumas, decimas, decimasque garbales, casualitates, proficua et devorias quascunq̄ue omnium et singulorum prebendariorum subscriptorum infra dictum nostrum burgum fundatorum ac eidem spectantium et pertinentium, viz: prebendarii Sancte Marie, prebendarii de Halycroce, prebendarii Sancti Michaelis archangeli, prebendarii vocati *Sanct Marie Maior*, prebendarii vocati *Sanct Johnne the Baptist*, prebendarii vocati *Sanct Marie Dalgeddes Yle*, prebendarii vocati *Sanctandro*, prebendarii vocati *Sanct James*, prebendarii vocat *Sanct Lawrence* ac prebendarii vocati *Sanct Cristopher* cum capellania vocata *Sanct Marie*; ACETIAM nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto damus, concedimus, disponimus ac pro perpetuo confirmamus prefatis preposito, balliis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, omnes et singulas alias terras, tenementa, domus, edificia, ecclesias, cum suprema et *lie Croce Kirkis* dicti burgi et cemiteriis eiusdem, capellis, hortis, pomariis, croftis, annuis redditibus, decimis, fructibus, redditibus, devoriis, emolumentis, pecunia eleemosinaria, obitibus pecuniis et anniversariis que ad quascunq̄ue capellanas, altaragia aut prebendaria in quacunq̄ue ecclesia, capella, collegio aut hospitali infra libertatem predicti burgi, per quemcunq̄ue patronum fundata,

burgh of Peebles, all and singular lands, mills, multures, annual rents, tenements, feu-duties, taxes, farms, kains, customs, teinds, teindsheaves, casualties, profits and duties whatsoever, of all and singular the prebendaries underwritten, founded within our said burgh and pertaining and belonging to the same, viz: the prebendary of St Mary, the prebendary of Halycroce, the prebendary of St Michael the archangel, the prebendary called St Mary Major, the prebendary called St John the Baptist, the prebendary called St Mary of Geddes Aisle, the prebendary called St Andrew, the prebendary called St James, the prebendary called St Lawrence, and the prebendary called St Christopher, with the chaplainary called St Mary: AND ALSO we, with advice and consent foresaid give, grant, and dispone, and for ever confirm, to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and singular other lands, tenements, houses, biggings, churches, with the High and Cross Kirks of the said burgh, and burial-places of the same, chapels, gardens, orchards, crofts, annual rents, teinds, fruits, rents, duties, emoluments, alm-money, obit-money, and anniversaries, which pertained to whatever chaplainaries, altars, or prebendaries, founded by whatsoever patron, in whatever church, chapel, college, or hospital within the liberty of the said burgh, which

pertinuerunt, quos dicti capellani aut prebendarii possiderunt, vbicunque infra libertatem dicti burghi nostri de Peblis jacent, aut de dictis terris et tenementis debitis jacentibus infra eundem, ad quancunque ecclesiam, capellaniam, prebendam aut beneficium pertinentibus extra dictum nostrum burghum infra aliquam partem huius regni nostri Scotie fundatam et jacentem : INSUPER nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto ex nostra certa scientia proprioque motu vnivimus, annexavimus et incorporavimus, tenoreque presentium vnimus, annexamus et incorporamus ad et cum dicto burgo de Peblis, statu, priuilegijs et libertatibus predictis eidem burgo concessis, omnes et singulas prenomatas terras de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenlaw et Struther cum dicto Castelli monte de Peblis, et molendinum granarium vocatum *lie Ruidmylne*, et molendinum fullonum super latere dicti Castelli montis edificatum, cum molendino vocato *the Auld Mylne* super boreali latere aque de Peblis, cum terris molendinarijs, annibus molendinarijs, et multuris eiusdem, vnacum integris domibus et tenementis super latere dicti Castri montis edificatis et pertinentiis earundem, cum dicto molendino granario de Innerlethaine et multuris predictis que olim ad dictum molendinum de Traquair super dicto boreali latere predictae aque de Tweid pertinuerunt a dicta villa de Horsburgh ad *lie Gaiitheoburne*, cum terris molendinarijs, annibus molendinarijs, astrictis multuris, sequelis et pertinentiis earundem, cum molen-

the said chaplainaries or prebendaries possessed, wherever they lie, within the liberty of our said burgh of Peebles, or due out of the said lands and tenements lying within the same, pertaining to whatsoever church, chapel, prebendary, or benefice founded and lying without our said burgh, within any part of this our kingdom of Scotland : MOREOVER, we, with advice and consent foresaid, of our certain knowledge and mere motion have united, annexed, and incorporated, and by the tenor of these presents unite, annex, and incorporate, to and with the said burgh of Peebles, with the estate, privileges and liberties granted to the said burgh, all and singular the forenamed lands of Cadmaure, Hammildoun, Venlaw, and Struther, with the said Castle-hill of Peebles, and the grain mills, called Ruid-mill and the Waulk-mill, built upon the side of the said Castle-hill, with the mill called the Auld-mill, upon the north side of the water of Peebles, with the mill-lands, mill-dams, and multures of the same, together with the whole houses and tenements built upon the side of the said castle hill of Peebles, and pertinents of the same, with the said corn-mill of Innerleithen and multures foresaid, which formerly pertained to the said mill of Traquair, upon the north side of the foresaid water of Tweed, from the said village of Horsburgh to the Gaiitheoburn, with the mill-lands, mill-dams, astricted multures,

dino fullonum de Innerlethaine et terris prope dictum molendinum vocatis *lie Hillhoussis et Thomashauch*, vnacum integris piscationibus tam salmonum quam aliorum piscium in dictis aquis de Tweid et Peblis, omnibusque alijs piscationibus ad dictum burgum pertinentibus et quas burgenses et eiusdem inhabitantes quouis tempore preterito possederunt ; Necnon cum dictis customis apud predictum pontem de Tweid vsitatis et consuetis : ACETIAM omnes et singulas predictas terras de Glentars cum pertinentibus in communitate vt predictur dispositas, comprehendentes particulares terras suprarciatas infra bondas huiusmodi supraspecificatas, cum predictis terris vocatis *the Kingismure*, que per prius ad dictum quondam Cuthbertum et Joannem Elphingstones de Heuderstoun pertinuerunt, cumque omnibus et singulis predictis viis, semitis et passagijs ad et a dicto burgo tendentibus, minutis customis, eschaetis, curiarum amerciamentis, officijs et jurisdictionibus eiusdem predictis, penis, ecclesijs, capellanijs, prebendarijs et altaragijs, ac cum omnibus et singulis predictis terris, tenementis, annuis redditibus, decimis, fructibus, redditibus, emolumentis, feudifirmis, canis, customis, mortificationibus, obitibus aliisque devorijs quibuscunque ad dictas ecclesias, prebendaria, capellanas aut alteragia spectantibus et pertinens, jacentes infra dictum burgum aut eiusdem libertatem, seu de dictis terris et tenementis debitis infra eiusdem

sequels, and pertinents of the same, with the Waulk-mill of Innerleithen, and the lands near to the said mill, called Hillhouses and Thomashauch, together with the whole fishings, as well of salmon as of other fishes, in the said waters of Tweed and Peebles, and with all other fishings pertaining to the said Burgh, and which the Burgeses and inhabitants of the same, have at any time past possessed, and likewise with the said customs at the said bridge of Tweed used and wont : AND ALSO, all and singular the foresaid lands of Glentars, with the pertinents in disposed commonly as said is, comprehending the particular lands above recited, within the bounds of the same above specified, with the foresaid lands called the King's Muir, which formerly pertained to the said deceased Cuthbert and John Elphinstone of Heuderstone, and with all other and singular the foresaid ways, paths, and passages leading to and from the said burgh, petty customs, escheats, amerciaments of courts, offices, and jurisdictions of the same foresaid, penalties, churches, chaplainaries, prebendaries, and altars, and with all and singular the foresaid lands, tenements, annual rents, teinds, fruits, rents, emoluments, feu-duties, kains, customs, mortifications, obits and other duties whatsoever, pertaining and belonging to the said churches, prebendaries, chaplainaries, or altarages lying within the said burgh or liberty of the same, or due out of the said lands or tenements lying within the said burgh, pertaining to what-

burgum jacentibus, ad quamlibet ecclesiam, capellaniam, prebendam aut beneficium pertinentibus extra dictum burgum nostrum infra quamlibet partem huius regni nostri Scocie jacentem, et fundatam; Ac predictas communes terras cum privilegio et libertate myricas eradicandi, ac petaria, turbaria et focalia, *lie fwall, fraill et dovelt*, infra dictas communes moras et marresia dicti burgi et infra bondas predictas, vsitatis et consuetis, effodiendi et lucrandi, IN VNUM liberum Burgum regalem, tenementum ac tenandriam imperpetuum, Ac volumus et concedimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris decernimus et ordinamus quod vnica sasina semel, virtute presentis nostri infocamenti modo et forma subsequenti, preposito aut cuivis vni balliuorum dicti burgi nostri de Peblis pro tempore apud Crucem Forealem eiusdem burgi danda, stabit et ipsis eorumque successoribus sufficiens erit sasina pro toto et integro dicto burgo, ac pro integris annexis, connexis, incorporationibus aliisque particulariter et generaliter supraexpressis, nunc eidem burgo vt predicatur vnitis et annexatis, Non obstante quod dicte terre, passagia, priuilegia, tenementa, redditus aliaque particulariter et generaliter supramentionata eidem burgo spectantia, simul et continue minime jacent, penesquam nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto dispensavimus, ac per presentis carte nostre tenorem pro nobis et successoribus dispensamus imperpetuum: Et nos considerantes prepositum, balliuos, consules et communitatem burgi nostri de Peblis vniam solam communitatem et

ever church, chaplainary, prebendary, or benefice founded and lying without our said burgh, within whatever part of this our kingdom of Scotland; and the foresaid common lands with the privilege and liberty of pulling heather, of digging and taking away peats, turfs, fawal feal and divot within the said common muirs and mosses of the said burgh, and within the bounds foresaid used and wont, into one free burgh royal, tenement and tenandry for ever: And we will and grant, and for us and our successors, decern and ordain, that one sasine now to be given, by virtue of our present infetment in the manner and form following, to the provost or to any one of the bailies of our said burgh of Peebles for the time, at the market-cross of the said burgh, shall stand and be a sufficient sasine to them and their successors, for all and whole the said burgh, and for the haill annexes, connexes, incorporations and others particularly and generally above expressel, now united and annexed to the said burgh, as said is, notwithstanding that the said lands, passages, privileges, tenements, rents and others particularly and generally above mentioned, pertaining to the said burgh, do not lie together and contiguous, wherewith we, with advice and consent foresaid, have dispoed, and by the tenor of our present charter, for us and our successors, dispense for ever: AND WE, considering the provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our burgh of Peebles, to be one whole community

universitatem esse, que in sua natura manet nullum particularem successorem habentem; Igitur declaravimus, volumus, concessimus, tenoreque presentium pro nobis et successoribus nostris, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, declaramus et ordinamus quod predicta sasina, per dictum prepositum aut quemlibet ballivum dicti burgi, nomine et ex parte omnium burgensium et communitatis huiusmodi eorumque successorum, virtute presentis nostri infeofamenti semel capta per deliberationem terre et lapidis fundi pro dicto burgo, terris, molendinis, aliisque accessoriis et dependentiis eorundem, ac per deliberationem vnius denarii vsualis monete regni nostri Scocie pro censibus, custumis et deuriis eiusdem, aliisque accessoriis et dependentiis huiusmodi, perque traditionem fustis et baculi pro officiis et jurisdictionibus predictis ac aliis accessoriis et dependentiis eorundem, ac per deliberationem vnius libri Psalmorum pro prefatis ecclesiis, prebendariis, redditibus, decimis, ac aliis accessoriis et dependentiis earundem, stabit et sufficiens erit sasina imperpetuum absque alicuius nove sasine renovatione, reiteratione, aut impofterum recuperatione: **TENENDUM ET HABENDUM** totum et integrum predictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, cum omnibus et singulis predictis libertatibus, sasinis, priuilegiis et possessionibus, per prefatos prepositum, balliuos, consules et communitatem dicti nostri burgi eorumque predicesores, antea tentis et vsitatis cum prefatis infeofamentis, sasinis,

and body, which in its own nature remains, having no particular successor; therefore, we have declared, willed and granted, and by the tenor of these presents, for us and our successors, with advice and consent foresaid, declare and ordain that the foresaid sasine, once taken by the said provost or any one of the bailies of the said burgh, in name and behalf of all the burgesses and community thereof and their successors, by virtue of our present infeftment, by delivery of earth and stone of the ground for the said burgh, lands, mills, and other accessories and dependencies of the same, and by delivery of one penny, usual money of our kingdom of Scotland, for the farms, customs, and duties of the same, and other accessories and dependencies thereof, and by delivery of staff and baton for the offices and jurisdiction foresaid, and other accessories and dependences of the same, and by delivery of a Psalm Book, for the foresaid churches, prebendaries, rents, teinds and other accessories and dependences of the same, shall stand and be a sufficient sasine for ever, without any renovation, again taking or retaking of any new sasine, hereafter: **TO HOLD AND TO HAVE** all and whole our foresaid burgh of Peebles, with all and singular the foresaid liberties, sasines, privileges and possessions, by the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, burgesses and community of our said burgh as their ancestors formerly held and used, with the foresaid infeft-

possessionibus, et priuilegiis prefato nostro burgo quouis tempore preterito datis et concessis super antedictis infeofamentis et libertatibus, minutis customis, eschaetis, et curiarum amerciamenis, immunitatibus, viis, passagiis, terris, integro territorio et communitate eiusdem, que per leg[es] aut regni nostri consuet[udines] ad lib[erum] burgum regalem pertinuerunt aut pertinere possunt, [c]um priuilegio [et] vsu mercimonii emptionis et eorundum venditionis; cumque mercatorum gilda et priuilegiis eiusdem, ac cum iurisdictione, multis ac penis, eschaetis, et amerciamenis eidem spectantibus; vnacum dictis tribus nundinis et foris hepdomadatum, et customis, priuilegiis et proficuis que ad eas pertinuerunt, aut per leges nostri regni pertinere possunt; Necnon cum dicto priuilegio, commissione, et autoritate dictis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi eorum[que suc]cessoribus concessio, in omnibus rebus et causis libertates atque priuilegia eisdem concessa tam per acta nostri Parlamenti quam generalis consilii burgorum constitutiones, acta, decreta, sententias in favorem eorum libertatum, vt dictum est, concessa tangentibus, sedendi, iudicandi, [dec]ernendi, multasque, penas, et eschaetas earundem per ipsos vt premissum est levandi,

ments, sasines, possessions, and privileges given and granted to our said burgh at any time past, concerning the foresaid infeftments and liberties, petty customs, escheats, and amerciaments of courts, immunities, ways, passages, lands, whole territory and community of the same, which by the laws or customs of our kingdom pertained or can pertain to a free royal burgh, with the privilege and use of merchandise, buying and selling of the same, and with the guild of merchants and privileges thereof, and with the jurisdiction, fines, and penalties, escheats, and amerciaments belonging thereto, together with the said three fairs and weekly markets, and customs, privileges and profits, which belonged, or can by the laws of our kingdom belong thereto; as also with the said privilege, commission, and authority granted to the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of the said burgh, and their successors of making acts, statutes, and constitutions, for the good and advantage of the standing of the said burgh, of putting the same to final execution, and arresting, prosecuting, and calling the violators of the same, as also, with full jurisdiction granted to the said provost, bailies, consellers, and community of the said burgh, and their successors, in all actions and causes, liberties and privileges, granted to them, as well by acts of our parliament as general council, constitutions of burghs, acts, decreets, sentences, granted in favour of their liberties, as said is, and of sitting, judging, and decerning fines, penalties, and escheats of the same, and with power to them, as

vtendi et disponendi : Totas et integras dictas terras de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenl[aw] et Struther, dictum Castri montem de Peblis, cum molendino super latere dicti Castellii montis vocato *the R[uid] mylne* et *Wauk mylne* edificato, dictum molendinum vocatum *the Auld mylne* ex boreali latere aque de Peblis, cum annibus, multuris et sequelis eiusdem, cumque integris domibus, [et] tenementis super dictum Castri montem edificatis, ac cum dicto molendino granario de Innerlethaine, astrictis multuris et sequelis eiusdem, ac molendino fullonum huiusmodi ac terris prope idem vocatis *lie Hilhoussis* et *Thomashauch*, predictas communes terras cum libertate mar[resiariu]m, *lie mossis*, ac in communi mora pro myricarum eradicatione et focalium, *lie fewall faill*, et *dovett*, in omnibus partibus huiusmodi solitis et consuetis effossione et lucracione ; Cumque integris piscationibus in dictis aquis de Tweid et Peblis ad dictum burgum nostrum spectantibus, quasquidem aliasque piscaciones predictas illi eorumque predicesores quovis tempore preterito possederunt ; Ac etiam totas et integras predictas terras vocatas Glentars, comprehendentes particulares terras supraexpressas, cum omnibus aliis partibus, pendiculis et pertinentiis dictarum terrarum de G[len]tars, prout eedem tendunt a bondis de Hammildoun ad *lie Burnefute*, et inde ad Gaihope et deorsum Gaihopburne ad Tweid ; Ac etiam totas et integras predictas terras de Kingismure prope

is, of levying, using and disposing thereupon ; all and hail the said lands of Cadmure Hammildoun, Venlaw, and Struther, the said Castle-hill of Peebles, with the mill built upon the side of the said Castle-hill called the Ruid-mill and the Wauk-mill, the said mill called the Auld-mill, upon the north side of the water of Peebles, with the dams multures and sequels of the same, and with the hail houses and tenements built upon the said Castle-hill, and with the said corn-mill of Innerleithen, astricted multures and sequels of the same, and the Wauk-mill thereof, and lands adjacent thereto, called Hillhouse and Thomashaugh, the foresaid common lands with the liberty of mosses in the common muir, for pulling heather, and digging and leading fewal, feal and divot in all parts thereof, used and wont, and with the hail fishings in the said waters of Tweed and Peebles, belonging to our said burgh, and all other fishings foresaid they and their predecessors possessed at any time by past ; as also all and whole the foresaid lands called Glentars, comprehending the particular lands above expressed with all other parts, pendicles and pertinents of the said lands of Glentars, as the same extend from the bounds of Hammildoun to the Burnfoot, and from thence to Gaihope, and down Gaihope-burn to the Tweed ; as also, all and whole the foresaid

dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, quequidem ad dictum Cuthbertum Elphingstoun de Henderstoun pertinerunt; Necnon omnes et singulas predictas terras, tenementa, domus, edificia, hortos, toftas, croftas, annuos redditus, fructus, devoria, proficua, emolumenta, decimas, decimasque garbales, obitas pecunias, eleemosinas, anniversaria, aliaque quecumque que ad dicta prebendaria suprascripta, aut ad quascunque ecclesias, prebendaria, capellanas, altaragia, aliaque beneficia infra libertatem dicti nostri burgi jacentes pertinerunt, aut de dictis terris et tenementis infra eundem burgum jacentibus ad quascunque ecclesias, capellanas, altaragia, seu alia beneficia, extra dictum burgum nostrum, infra aliquam partem huius regni jacentes, debita : PREFATIS preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque successoribus, DE NOBIS et successoribus nostris, in feodo, hereditate et libero burgagio imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas, prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine, in domibus, edificiis, boscis, planis, moris, marresiis, viis, semitis, aquis, stagnis, rivolis, pratis, pascuis, et pasturis, molendinis, multuris et eorum sequelis, aucupationibus, venationibus, piscationibus, petariis, turbariis, carbonibus, carbonariis, cuniculis, cuniculariis, columbis, columbariis, fabrilibus, brasuiis, brueriis et genestis, silvis, nemoribus et virgultis, lignis, tignis, lapicidiis lapide et calce, cum curiis et earum exitibus, herezeldis, bludewetis et

lands of King's Muir near our said burgh of Peebles, which pertained to the said Cuthbert Elphinstone of Henderstoun; as also all and singular the foresaid lands, tenements, houses, biggings, yards, tofts, crofts, annual rents, fruits, duties, profits, emoluments, teinds, teind sheaves, obit-money, alms, anniversaries, and others whatever, which belonged to the said prebendaries above written, or to whatever churches, prebendaries, chaplainries, altarages, and other benefices lying within the liberty of our said burgh, due from the said lands and tenements lying within the said burgh, belonging to whatever churches, chaplainries, altarages, or other benefices, lying without our said burgh, within any part of this our kingdom, to the foresaid provost, bailies, conceillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, of us and our successors in fee heritage and free burgage for ever, by all the righteous meiths of the same, old and divided, as they lie in length and breadth, in houses, biggings, woods, plains, moors, marshes, ways, paths, waters, lakes, rivulets, meadows, pastures and pasturages, mills, multures and their sequels, hawkings, huntings, fishings, peats, turfs, coals, coal-heughs, cunnings, cunnigaries, doves, dove-cots, smithies, kilns, breweries, woods, forests, groves and twigs, woods, stakes, stone and lime quarries, with courts and

mulierum marchetis, cum communi pastura liberoque introitu et exitu, ac cum furca, fossa, sok, sak, thole, thame, vert, veth, wrak, wair, vennysoun, infangtheif, outfangtheif, pit et gallous, Ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus, commoditatibus, proficuis, asiamentis ac iustis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam subtus terra quam supra terram, procul et prope, ad predictum burgum cum pertinentiis spectantibus, seu iuste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, libere, quiete, plenarie, integre, honorifice, bene et in pace et absque vlla revocatione, contradictione, impedimento aut obstaculo quocunque: REDDENDO annuatim dicti prepositus, balliui, consules et communitas dicti nostri burgi de Peblis et eorum successores, nobis et successoribus nostris in nostro scaccario, pro dicto burgo de Peblis, terris, molendinis, multuris, hortis, piscationibus, moris, cum omnibus et singulis priuilegiis, libertatibus, immunitatibus, feudifirmis, integro territorio et communitate eiusdem, foris hepdomadatum ac mundinis, officiis, custumis, impositionibus, aliisque devoriis vuitis et annexatis ad dictum burgum regalem, annexis, connexis, partibus, pendiculis ac aliis particulariter et generaliter supraexpressis cum earundem pertinentiis, summam duodecim mercarum vsualis monete huius regni nostri Scoecie nomine annui redditus, ac summam viginti sex solidorum octo denariorum

their issue, herezelds, bloodwits and marchets of women, with common pasturage, and free ish and entry and with pit and gallows, sok, sak, thole, theme, vert, veth, wrack, wair, venison, infangthief, outfangthief, pit and gallows, and with all other and sundry liberties, commodities, profits, easements, and their just pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under ground as above ground, far and near, belonging to the said burgh with the pertinents, or which shall justly belong to the same in any time to come, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably, well and in peace, and without any revocation, contradiction, impediment or obstacle whatsoever. GIVING therefor yearly the said provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, to us and our successors, in our exchequer, for the said burgh of Peebles, lands, mills, multures, yards, fishings, muirs, with all and singular priuileges, liberties, immunities, feu-duties, whole territory and community of the same, weekly markets and fairs, offices, customs, fines, and other duties, united and annexed to the said royal burgh, annexes, connexes, parts, pendicles, and others particularly and generally above expressed, with the pertinents of the same, the sum of twelve merks, usual money of this our kingdom of Scotland, in name of annual rent, and the sum of twenty-six shillings and eight pennies money foresaid, to the master

monete predicte magistro hospitalis Sancti Leonardi prope dictum nostrum burgum de Peblis nomine elemosine, vncum seruiuo burgi vsitato et consueto solummodo ; Et pro dictis prebendariis, capellaniis, ecclesiis, altaragiis decimis, fructibus, redditibus, aliisque earundem pertinentiis, prefati prepositus, balliui, consules, communitas dicti nostri burgi eorumque successores humiles et quotidianas supplicationes et preces Deo Omnipotenti pro nostra et successorum nostrorum salute et preservatione facientes tantum : IN CUIUS REI testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus : TESTIBUS predilectis nostris consanguineis et consiliariis Jacobo marchione de Hamiltoun comite Aranie et Cambridge domino Aven et Innerdaill, Georgio Mariscalli comite domino Keith etc. regni nostri mariscallo, Alexandro comite de Dunfermling domino Fyvie etc. nostro cancellario, Thoma comite de Melros domino Bynning etc. nostro secretario, dilectis nostris familiaribus consiliariis dominis Ricardo Cockburne juniore de Clerkingtoun nostri secreti sigilli custode, Georgio Hay de Kinfaunis nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico, Joanne Cockburne de Ormistoun nostre justiciarie clerico, et Joanne Scott de Scottistarvet nostre cancellarie direttore, militibus. APUD NEWMERCAT decimo nono die mensis Novembris anno Domini millesimo sexcentesimo vigesimo primo regnorumque nostrorum annis quinquagesimo quinto et decimo nono.

[*Dorso*] Sealed at Edinburgh, 11 Januarij 1622.

of the Hospital of St Leonard, near our said burgh of Peebles, in name of alms, together with the service of burgh used and wont, allenary : and for the said prebendaries, chaplainaries, churches, altarages, teinds, fruits, rents, and other their pertinents, the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh and their successors making humble and daily supplications and prayers to God Almighty for the safety and preservation of us and our successors allenary. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have commanded our great seal to be appended to this our present charter : WITNESSES, our well-beloved consins and counsellors, James, marquis of Hamilton, earl of Arran and Cambridge, lord Aven and Innerdale ; George, earl Marshall, lord Keith &c., marshall of our kingdom ; Alexander earl of Dunfermline Lord Fyvie &c., our chancellor ; Thomas, earl of Melros, lord Binning &c. our secretary ; our well beloved familiar councillors, Sirs Richard Cockburn younger of Clerkington, keeper of our privy seal ; George Hay of Kinfaunes, clerk of our rolls register and council ; John Cockburn of Ormistone, our justice clerk ; and John Scott of Scotstarvet director of our chancery, knights. At Newmarket, the nineteenth day of the month of November in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and twenty-one and in the fifty-fifth and nineteenth years of our reigns.

XLI.

ACT of Parliament in favour of the Provost, Bailies, Council, Burgesses, and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, ratifying and approving the preceding Charter of Confirmation and Novodamus granted by King James the Sixth.

17th November 1641.

Ratificatioune in favoures of the burgh of Peiblis of thair richtis.

OUR SOVERANE LORD and Estaites of this present parliament ratefeis and approueis to and in favoures of the proveist, bailyies, counsall, burgessis and commownitie of the burgh of Peibilles and thair successoures, proveist, bailyies, counsall, burgessis and commownitie thair of ane chartour of confirmatioun conteneing thairin ane clause *de novo damus* maid and grantit to the said burgh be vmquhill King James the sext of worthie memorie his majesties father, quhairby his majestie confermit to the said burgh of Peibilles the particullar chartoures and infetmentis following, viz. :—ane chartour grantit be vmquhile King James the secound to the said burgh of Peibilles, burgessis and commownitie thair of off all and sundrie infetmentis liberties seasinges and possessiounes maid and grantit to the saides burgessis and the said burgh, be the said vmquhile King James the secound and his predicesores off the infetmentis and liberties of the said burgh, courtes, creatioun of burgessis and of the repladgiation of thair comburgessis and inhabitantes of the said burgh, fermes, small customes, escheites, and amerciamentis of courtes, electioun, creatioun, and approbatioun of officiares, punischment of transgressoures, mylnes, multuris, and sequeles, halking and hunting, in swa far as pertainit to the said vmquhile King James the secound and his predicesores befor the infetment of the said burgh with commonties, pasturage, frie iche and entrie to the mawre of Caidmwe, Hamilldowne and Venlaw with the pertinentis and commoun pasturage, with frie iche and entrie to the landes of Glentrase, fra the sune rying to the downe passing of the samen, quhilk wer anexit to the said burgh of Peibilles ; item, ane vther chartour maid gevin and grantit be vmquhile King James the ffourt to the said burgh of Peibilles comburgessis

and commownitie thairof and thair successores off all and sundrie liberties seasinges and possessionnes had and vsit be thame and thair predicesores of befor, as also off all and sundrie infeftmentis, seasinges, possessionnes and priuiledges off the foirsaides infeftmentis and liberties givin and grantit to the said brugh at any tyme of befor; with power to the saides comburgessis and commownitie to hald and keip courtes, with creatioun of burgessis, and of the repladgiatioun of the comburgessis and inhabitantes of the said brugh, togidder with the burrowmaill, small customes, amerciamentis of courtes, escheites, ellectioun of officiares and punischment of transgressoures within the said brugh as the Kinges royall brugbis hes, togidder with mylnes and speciale with the mylne biggit vpon the syd of the Castellhill of Peibilles, mylne dames, multuris, sequeles, and with houssis and bigginges buildit vpon the syd of the said Castellhill, with watteris, fischinges, huntinges and halkinges in swa far as perteinith to the said vniuersall King James the ffourth and his predicesores, befor the infeftment of the said brugh, with hilles, landes, and valeyes, and vse of the samen vpon thair awin comoun landes of Caidmwre, Hamilldowne, Venlaw and Comoun Struther, and to vse and enjoy the samen be pasturing, teilling and sawing as sall seem maist fit and expedient to thameselfis and as they and thair predicesoures hes vsit and enjoyit the samen of befor, and with commoun pasturage frie iche and entrie to the commoun of Glentras fra the rysing of the sune to the setting thairof, and in vseing the gaittes, merches and commonties as [they] have been in vse, but qwhatsumewer impediment of any persoune or persounes, ffor careing and leiding of thair fewall and all vther necessaries to the said brugh and commowntie thairof, but impediment of quwhatsumewer persoune or persounes duelling within or without the said brugh as said is, with commoun pasturage vpon the mwre of Kingismwre in the passage of Caidmwre, and als frielie as the said brugh hes brukit and possessit any of the foirsaides priuiledgis at any tyme bygainne, as in the said chartour grantit be King James the ffourth at mair lenth is conteinit; item, ane vther chartour grantit be vniuersall King David of worthie memorie off the chaplandrie of St Marie foundit within the said brugh of Peibilles off the mylne of Innerleithane with the haill multuris quhilk of old perteinith to the mylne of Traquair vpon the north syd of the watter of Tweid fra the village of Horsbrugh to Gathope burne as in the said chartour of the dait the twentie day of September and threttie aucht yeir of the said King Dauides raigne also at mair lenth is conteinit; togidder with all and sundrie chartoures,

infetmentis, giftis, donatiounes, priviledgis, immunities, actes of parliament, decreites and sentences maid and grantit be the said vmquhill King James the sext, or his most noble progenitores or be quhatsumewer vther persoune or persounes to and in favoures of the saides proveist, bailyies, counsall and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles for the tyme and thair predicesores and successoures quhatsumewer anent the erectioun of the said brugh in ane frie brugh royall, and of all richtis titilles and priviledgis be the law and custome of this kingdome pertaining to the samen and all and sundrie landes, hilles, valeyis, gaittes, rodis, mwres, maresis, rentis, customes, amerciamentis and escheites of court, houssis, bigginges, tenementis, yairdes, donatiounes, possessiounes, mylnes, mylne-landes, multuris, dames and braes, rentis annualrentis and all pertinentis of the samen, and of all faires and mercatis with immunities, priviledgis and customes of the samen vsit and wont, and of all vtheris liberties, landes, rentis and jurisdiction quhilk the saides proveist bailyies counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles be thameselfis or thair predicesores hes bruikit possess and vsit at any tyme bygaine or quhilkis they for the present bruik vse or posses, and als all and sundrie mortificatiounes, richtis of patronages, infetmentis, donatiounes and dispositiounes gevin and grantit be the said vmquhill King James the saxt or his predicesores or quhatsumewer vther persoune or persounes to the foirsaides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh and thair predicesoures off quhatsumewer landes, tenementis, houssis, bigginges, heigh and croce kirkes of the said brugh, kirkyairdes, prebandries, chapelles, chaplandries, few ferme, obites, and anniversaries quhairever they ly within or without the said brugh, particuluarlie and generallie conteinit in the saides giftis, donatiounes, mortificatiounes, dispositiounes or anie of thame efter the formes and tennores of the samen, with all actes, sentences, decreites, maid and grantit of thame or anie of thame, as in the foirsaid chartour of confirmatioun grantit vnder his majesties great seall containand the foirsaid clausis *de novo damus*, beiring that his majestie of new for himself and his successoures gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsall, and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successores for ewer all and haill the foirsaid brugh of Peibilles, with all and sundrie liberties, seasinges, priviledgis and possessiounes vsit and had be thame and thair predicesores, with all and sundrie infetmentis, seasinges, possessiounes and priviledgis gevin and grantit to the foirsaid brugh vpon the saides infetmentis and

liberties at any tyme bygaine, with power to the saides comburgessis and commownitie to hald and keip courtes, with creatioun of comburgessis and redpledgiatioun of thair comburgessis and inhabitantes of the said brugh, with the burrowmaill and small customes of the samen, escheites and amerciamentis of the saides courtis, creatioun of officiares and punisching of transgressoures within the said brugh as the rest of His Majesties royall brughis within the said kingdome of Scotland hes ; with power also to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsalloures and commownitie of the said brugh and thair successoures to haunt vse and exerce merchandice, traid and traffick of merchandice, to buy, transact, sell and sell over againe all sort of merchandice, alsweill strainge merchandice as of these within the cuntrie, not onlie within the libertie and territorie and jurisdiction of the said brugh bot also within all vther parties within the haill boundes of the Shereffidome of Peibilles alsweill regalitie as royaltie; with power also to the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures, factoures and servitoures in thair names to intronett with lift and reseave all small customes and vther dewties within the foirsaid boundes and within the samen brugh and territorie thair of; and to bruik joyse and posses for ewer the gild of merchandice, with gildes courtes, counsall, memberis and jurisdiction pertaining to the samen, liberties and privedgis thair of, siclyk and als frielie as be His Majestie or his predicesoures are grantit to any of his frie brughis royall within the kingdome of Scotland; and als to hald, bruik, joyse and exerce weiklie within the said brugh mercat dayes according to the vse and custome of the said brugh ; togidder also with thrie frie faires thryse in the yeir, the first of the samen to begin yeirlie vpon the third day of Maj callit Belltane day and to hald and continew the same for the space of fourtie aucht houres thairefter, and the secund of the saides faires to begin vpon the twentie nynt day of Junij callit St Peiteris day and to continew for the space of ffourtie aucht houres thairefter, and the thrid of the saides faires to begin vpon the twentie fourt day of August callit St Bartholomowes day and to hald and continew be the space of aucht dayes thairefter, according to the vse custome and wont ; togidder with the sheref fie, shereffis glowes, tolles, customes, impositiounes, exactiones, and all vther fies, dewties, pledgis and liberties, quhilkis are knawin to pertain to the saides faires and mercatis during the tyme of the samen, siclyk and als frielie in all respectis as any vther frie brugh within this kingdome bruikes and possessis thair faires

and mercatis, or quhilk they or thair predicesores brookit or posses the samen of befor, commanding and chairgeing that na persoune nor persounes ather of regalitie or royaltie wha are not burgessis of the said brugh preswme to vsurpe exerce and occupie within the Shereffidome of the said brugh of Peibilles or boundes of the samen Shereffidome, mercatis, or vse of merchandice alseweill forrane as homeward perteing to ane frie brugh or ony pairt or priveledge tutching ane frie brugh, vnder the paine of imprisonment of thair persounes and confiscatioune of thair merchandice; farder His Majestie gave and grantit full power of commissioun and auctoritie to the saides proveist, bailyies and counselloures of the said brugh and thair successoures to mak and publish actes, statutis and ordinances for the comoun good and proffeit of the said brugh, and for manteinance of the liberties and priveledges of the samen to be observit be all the inhabitantes and burgessis of the samen and all vther persounes thair abyding and hawtuing, vnder sick paines as sall seim expedient to thame, with speciall power to thame to putt to finall executioun within the said brugh the saides actes and ordinances, with all actes of parliament of generall or secreit counsalles, constitutionnes of burrowes, and all vther decreites, sentences gevin and pronuncit, in favoures of the saides liberties, and for the better executioun of the samen to sitt, judge and decerne in the samen, with speciall power to thame to call, persew, arreist and incarcerat all persounes violateris of thair saides priveledgis, actes, constitutionnes, decreites and sentences foirsaides, and to vnlaw and amerciat thame as sall seime expedient to thame, quhilkis paines and vnlawes His Majestie gave and disponit to the commoun vse of the said brugh and to the supplie of the commoun necessaries of the samen; and farder be the said chartour of new gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and comownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures all and hail the landes of Caidmwre, Hamilldowne, Venlaw and Struther, Castellhill of Peibilles, with the cornemylne callit the Rudemylne and Wakmylne buildit vpon the syd of the said Castellhill, and with the cornemylne callit the Old Mylne vpon the Wattir of Peibilles, vpon the north syd of the samen, with mylne landes, mylne dames, multeris, sequeles and all their pertinentis, with the hail housis and tenementis biggit vpon the said Castellhill and pertinentis of the samen, the said cornemylne of Innerleithane with the hail multeris quhilk of old pertieint to the said mylne off Traquair vpon the north syd of the said Wattir of Tweid fra the

village of Horsbrugh to Gathopeburne, with mylne landes, mylne dames, astrictit multeris, sequeles, and pertinentis of the samen, and the landes neir the said mylne callit Hill Houssis with the landes callit Thomas Hauch and pertinentis of the samen, togidder with the wakmylne of Innerleithane and pertinentis thair of, togidder with the hail watteris and fischeinges alseweill of salmound as of vther fisches vpon the watteris of Tweid and Peibilles, and vtheris fischeings pertaining to the said brugh and quhilk they and thair predicessores hes possesset at any tyme bygainne togidder with the customes at the brig of Tweid vsit and wont; and als gave grantit and dispoit to the said brugh in commontie allanerlie according to the infestmentis abonespeciit all and hail the landes of Glentrass comprehending the particular landes vndirwrittin, viz., Carlado, Dowbank, Browne Mwre, Collielaw, Gramsykis, Pilmwre, Cruikeshope, Cruikeslaw, Wheatfeild, Rigamountes, Downe Rig, Annettes Hope, Dunclench, Birniebank, Hilleinclench, Kingeskippes, Carleincraig, Lainghopeheid, Somerclench, Craigendes, Glenferriate, Somersyde, Commoun Hill, Whytsyk, Glenrude, Hairfauld Rige, Cattillgerrate, Lambelaw, Brownehilles, Card, Tua fauld rig, Eister Cattillgerrate, Wester Gramesykis, and Gairesman, togidder with all vther pairtis pendicles and pertinentis of the landes of Glentras as the samen goes fra the boundes of Hamildowne to the Burnefute and fra that to Gethope and down Gethope burne to Tweid; and siclyk His Majestie be the said chartour gave grantit and dispoit to the saides proveist bailies and counsall of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures all and sundrie the saides landes callit the Kingis Mwire lyand neir the said brugh of Peibilles quhilk perteinet to vmquhill Cuthbert Elphingstoune of Henderstoune and Johne Elphingstoune his sone, and farder His Majestie be the said chartour gave grantit and dispoit to the saides proveist, bailies counsallors and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures the privedge and libertie to protect and conserve the hail wayes calsayes and passages, goeing to and fra the said brugh to whatsumewer vther pairtes within this kingdome of Scotlande and to keip the saides wayes and passages in thair bread and integritie that the samen be not distroyit or diminischit be anie persoune or persounes that thairby His Majestie may have easier passage thairto; and als be the samen chartour, His Majestie gave grantit and dispoit to the saides proveist, bailies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures all and hail the commoun landes of the said brugh, with power

and libertie to pow heather, and to cast and wind peites, turris, fewall, fail, and devotte in the commoun mwire and mossa of the said brugh within all the ffour halfis compassing the said brugh far and neir, and quhilkis the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh and thair prediccessores now possessis or possest at any tyme bygaine; and farder His Majestie considering that thair were diverse prebandries chapelandries and alterages, hospitalles and vtheris of the same nature foundit within the said brugh of Peibilles, and haveing in his mynd to dispone the samen to the said brugh to this effect that the proffeties thair of may be imployit to the commoun workes of the said brugh, thairfor His Majestie gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsalloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles, all and sundrie landes, mylnes, multuris, annualrentis, tene mentis, fewfermes, mailles, caynes, customes, teindes, teindschaves, caswalities, proffeties and dewties quhatsumewer off all and sindrie the prebandries vnderwritin, foundit within the said brugh and perteing and belonging to the samen, viz.; the prebandrie of St Marie, the prebandrie of Holie Croce, the prebandrie of St Michael the arkangell, the prebandrie callit Sanct Marie Major, the prebandrie callit St Johne the Baptist, the prebandrie callit St Marie Daillgeddes thair, the prebandrie callit St Androw, the prebandrie callit St James, the prebandrie callit St Lawrence, and prebandrie callit St Christopher, with the chaplainrie callit St Marie, and als gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist bailyies counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successores all and sundrie vtheris landes tenementis, houssis, bigginges, kirkis, with the Hie and Croce Kirkes of the said brugh, and kirkyairdes of the samen, chappelles, yairdes, orchyairdes, croftis, annualrentis, teindes, fruites, rentis, dewties, emolumentis, almous silver, obite silvir and anniversaries quhilkis pertein to quhatsumewer chaplandries, alterages or prebandries, foundit be quhatsumewer patrone, in quhatsumewer kirk, chappell, colledge or hospital within the libertie of the foirsaid brugh, quhilkis the saides chaplandes or prebanderis possest, quhairever they ly within the libertie of the said brugh, or awand be the saides landes and tenementis lyand within the samen, perteing to quhatsumewer kirk chaplandrie prebandrie or benefice lyand and foundit without the said brugh within any vther pairt of the said kingdome of Scotlande, and diverse vtheris clausis thairintill, and speciallie of ane clause of vnioun and incorporatioune of the hail landes and vtheris abonewritin with the said brugh in ane frie brugh

royall, tenement and tennandrie for ewer, declaring that seasing taine at the mercat croce of Peibilles sal be sufficient for the haill: of the date the nyn-teine day of November J^m vj^c: twentie ane yeires, at mair lenth is contenit; togidder with the precept and instrument of seasing following thairvpone in all and sundrie the heides, poyntis, clausis, articles, circumstances and conditiounes thairin conteinit and efter the forme and tenor thairof in all poyntis. And our said Soverane Lord and Estaittes of Parliament willes and grantis and for his hienes and his successores decernis and ordaines that this present ratificatioun is and salbe as valid and sufficient and of als great strentth and effect to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsall, burgessis inhabitants and counownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successours for bruiking of the said brugh, haill customes, liberties, and privieledgis thairof, the landes, tenementis, mylnes, multuris, mwres, mossis, pulling of heather, casting and winning of peittes, turris, fewall, faill and devotte in the ffour quarteris about the said brugh, fischeingis, annualrentis, fruites, rentis, emolumentis and dewties quhatsumewer and of the saides chaplandries, kirkes, and kirkyairdes, and the saides liberties, and of pasturage and of gaittes for careing of the said fewall to the said brugh, faires and mercatis and vtheris quhatsumewer speciallie and generallie abonewritten conteinit in the said chartour of confirmatioun abone mentionat, and precept and instrument of seasing following thairvpone, as giff the samen haill chartour precept and instrument of seasing wer at lenth speciallie ingrosit and insert *de verbo in verbum* in this present Ratificatioun notwithstanding that the samen be not swa done; quhairaent and with all vther defectis imperfectiounes and objectiounes quhatsumewer quhilkis may be proponit or alledged againes the said chartour precept and instrument of seasing and valeiditie of the samen or this present Ratificatioune thairof our said Soverane Lord and Estaites of Parliament hes dispensit and be thir presentis dispensis for ewer; and that the said Ratificatioune be farder extendit in forme abonewrittin.

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4 October 1456.

THE hed curt of the burgh of Peblis, haldyng the Mononday the ferd day of the monath October the yeir of God m cccc l and vj, the suddis callit, the curt effirmyt, ilk absent in amerssiment. Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day was mayd balyeis John Madour and John Dekysoun and Wyl Mouat. Baillies.

Item, that ilk day, fles pryssaris John Blaklok, Paton Temppil, Thom Robenson, Rob Jamson. Flesh priers.

Item, that ilk day was mayd al tasterys Rob Mvrray, John Ancornes, Rob Forfar, Thom Naper. Ale tasters.

Item, that ilk day our Lady balyeis has racunnis with erd and stan a land liand of this sid the Hau throu faut of our Lady anual that is ij s. be yeir. Thir witnes : John Forfar, Thom Fosstar. And this the thrid curt. And than the seriand cryit thrys at the Tolbuth dor geif thar was ony lachful ar to that land wald com within xl dayis and do for it and brwk. Our Lady annual.

Our Lady
chapel.

Item, that ilk day, John Clark and Thom Dauyson, Lady balyeis, has racwunest with erd and stan a land was swmtym Patou Redfwrddis liand on the North Raw anenttis the chappel, for faut of our Lady anwal of the chappel that is ij s. be yeir, thir beand witnes: John Forfar, Thom Fosstayr; and this the thryd curt. And than the balye chardit the seriand to cry at the cors geyf ony man wald com within xl dais that had ryeh to that land and do for it that it auch and brwk wel his land.

18 October 1456.

Burgess.

It is to ramember, the Mononday the xvij day of the monath October the yer of God m cccc l and vj yer, that John Tyry was mayd burges on Sant Lukis day, and sal pay for his fredom xxⁱⁱ s.; and x s. of that to pay be-thys this and Qwysonday nixt to com and x s. be Machahnes next folouand; plegis hymself.

2 November 1456.

Burgh court.

The curt of the burgh of Peblys halding the Tisday the secwnday of the monath Nowember the yer of God m cccc l and vj, the suddis callit, the curt effernyt, ilk absent in amerssiment.

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Will of the Ost, and pay for his fredom xl s. at the balyeys wil; plegis Thom Dekyson, and of that xx s. ownforgeyfing.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Lori Lauson and sal pay for his fredom has a burgis ar.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Wssar and sal pay for his fredom has a burgis ar.

Service of heir.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Dic Patonson and sal pay for his fredom half a mark; plegis Thom Dekyson. And that ilk day the qwest fand the said Dic lachful ar til his fader land and the balyeis incontinent pasit our the watter and gaf him sessyng.

9 November 1456.

Service of
heirs. Sasine.

It is to ramember, the Tysday the ix day of the monath Nowember the yeir of God m cccc l and vj yer, that Masster Wilyain of Lauadyr com

befor the balyeis in the Tolboth and askyt a qwest to be serwit qwath anwallis the lard of Cauerhil had within yowr burgh of Peblis has he that was lachful atornay for the thre women that is bys arris; and than the balyeis chessit the qwest, and than the qwest ryply awisit serwit al that he askyt; and than the balycys and the qwest yhed fwrth and gayf hym sessyng has he that was lachful atornay for the arris:—In the fryst, of thre rud land that John Gybson haldys, than Wil Mouat beand balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of half a stan wax of that land; alsua the sayd balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of a sartan of land that Sym Loch hald for half a stan of wax; and than the sayd balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of four sellyn anwal of Mechal Forest land liand on the South Rau nex awest half Sym Loch land; and than the balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of xxⁱⁱ penneys of annual [of] Dic Smyth land; and than the sayd balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of four sellyn of anwal of his awyn land; alsua the said balye gayf sessyng with a penne of a pond of conryng of Wil Bully land awest half the Cors and on the North Rau som tym was callet the Lwkyn Bothys. Thir beand witnes, the hal qwest with mony other, Rob Lillay, Wil Peblys, Thom Dikyson, Thom Loch, Wil Balcaske, Thom Jamson, Thom Dawson.

15 November 1456.

The curt of the burgh of Peblis haldyng the Mononday,

Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Thom Fyldar, and sal pay for his fredome x s. at thwa termis, that is to say Beltain the ta half and Bartyhnes the tothir half; plegis Gorg Wilyamson for scottying lottying wakyng and wardyn, and for his borrou mall paing the said Gorg drays his land in plegis qwil he get an.

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Rob Bruys be the sem condysson; Sym Conno plegis for scottying and lottying wakyng and wardyn and his borou mal drais his land in borch qwyl he hayf an of bys awu.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Eby Scot and sal pay for hir fredome x s. at the samyng dayis and hir land scho drais plegis.

Item, that ilk day the sayd Eby Scot mayd in plan curt ar tyl maister Alisandrir Crassant wecar Ennarlethan. Witnes the hal curt.

Service of heir.

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Lyllay yongar and Rob Cady hys mayth; and of the burges sylueris at the balyeis wil ilk an of tham x s.; plegis John Lillay and Thom Dekyson; and the sayd Rob Cady drauys hys land borch for tham bath scottung lottung waking and warlyng and for the borou mallis payin.

26 November 1456.

Resignation
and Sasine.

It is to remeber, the Fryday the xxⁱⁱ day and vj of the monath Nowember the yer of God m cccc l and vj yer, that Wil Mouat balye in that tym has geyfing sessyng with erd and stan to Dic Gybsoun of hys land liand in the Cors Gat and on the North Ran bethwen the land of Jame Thomsoun on the est part on the ta part and the land of Wil of the Ost on the west part on the tothir part; and than incontentent the sayd Dic Gybsoun and Jonet hys wyf an has bath and bath has an has ressyngit with erd and stan the for both in the sayd balye hand, and that for both sall hald als wyd don on of that land has is the gayl of Jame Thomson land liand next auest half it; and than incontentent the sayd balye gayf sessyng with erd and stan to Paton Temppyl and tyl hys arris of that forsayd both with all condissioun mayd betwen the sayd Paton and Dyc Gybson, safand ilk manis rycht. Thir beand witnes: Wil Mouat balye in that tym, Sir Thomas Hardkeys notar, John Lillay, Wyl Peblys, John Clark, Gorg Wilyamson, Sym Conno, Rob Percle, John Naper seriand in that tym, John Donald bourou clark in that tym, with mouy outhir.

29 November 1456.

Burgh court.

The curt of the burgh of Peblys haldyng the Mononday, . . .

Rob Percle and
Wil Geddes.

Item, that ilk day aperit in curt Rob Percle to folow a borch that he fand on Wil Geddes, the sayd Wil arestit com borch for hym self, than the said Wil callit thrys and perit noch, than John Naper seriand provit his tachment, than Rob of Percle askyt hou thai suld depart has that day; the parti ramofit, the curt awisit. John Wilson dempstar wardit Wil Geddes in a defaut for faut of perans of hym self to the chalang of Rob Percle; than the balye chardit John Naper seriand tak witnes with hym and ga to Wil Geddes and tak a dysstres and latit hym to borch and warn hym til enter til the next curt has the secwut curt to the chalang of Rob Percle; and this the fryst curt.

8 December 1456.

It is to ramember, the Wednys the viij day of the monath Dissember the yer of God m ecce l and vj, Andro Melnar has tan the meln of Peblis has he had it befor fra this day qwyl Qwyssonday com a twelmonath ; and the sayd balyeis and al the commounis has strekyn hym don v nobelis becaus he layd don viij pond be for hand in thar mestour ; and gyf it falyeis of the sayd Andro that he de in the mene tyme, has God forbid he do, hys arris sal jos tyl the sem termmis. Witnes the hayl comownyte.

Peebles mill.

13 December 1456.

The curt of the burgh Peblys haldyng the Mononday,

Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day the balye John Dekyson enteris Sym Bron to be his man in plan curt to be lel and treu to the fredom qwyl he and his master can acord.

Sym Bron.
Freedom.

That ilk day comperit [in] curt Adam Cruksank to folou a borch that he fand on John Hau for the qwyk John Hau com borch for hym self tyl enter to the next curt, the sayd John callit thrys and noch enterit, than the seriand John Naper provit his thachment, than Thom Dekyson spekar for Adam Cruksank askyt hou thai suld depart has that day ; the parti ramofit, the curt awysit, Pat Kellou dempstar wardit John Hau in amersament ; than the balye Wil Mouat chardit John Naper seriand tak witnes with hym and ga to John Hau and a dysstres and latit hym to borch and warn hym tyl enter to the next curt has the secwnd ; and this the fryst curt.

Adam Cruksank and
John Han.

Item, that ilk day comperit in curt Dic Wilson to folou a borch that he fand of Jok Acchen for the qwyk the sayd John com borch for hym self til enter at the next curt, the sayd John callit thrys, than the seriand John Naper provit hys thachment, than Dic Wilson askyt hou thai suld depart has that day ; the parti ramofit, the [curt] awysit, Pat Kello dempstar wardit Jok Acchen in a defaut for faut of perrans of hym self to the challeng of Dic Wilson ; than the balye Wil Mouat chardit John Naper seriand to ga to Jok Acchen and tak a disstres and latit hym to borch and warn hym tyl enter hym at the next curt has the secwynd curt ; and this the fryst curt.

Dic Wilson and
Jok Acchen.

Item, that ilk day frer John Jamson com to the curt with a leter a raqwest fra the menyester of Fayl to the balyeis and the comonyte that thai wald

Friar John
Jamson.

Friar John
Jamson.

for fawir of hym ressayf the sayd frer John of his gud berryng to the plas and to geyf hym a sufiand lewyn and the layf be sponyt on the plas qwar mast ned is, and than the balyeis and the commonis wel awysit gert the sayd frer John Jamson swer be his presthed that he swld noch geyf na bud to na man of the Cors Kyrk gud, bot tyl hym self takand that may be hys leyfyn essely and the laf to be dissponyt qwar mast ned ys qweder on the kyrk or on the relyk, and this is the sayd frer John oblyst to do in plan curt at the consal of the ton.

St Mechallis
laud.

Item, that ilk day Sir Ion Loch com in curt and planyheit to the balyeis that he cwt noch get hys Martemes mayl of Sant Mechallis laud, than the balye Wil Mouat chardit Die Cant and Thom Jamson has thai that was mayd balye of that land to bryng in the Martymes mayl; and fra thin furth the said chaplan Sir Ion Loch sal be balye tyl hym self to gaddir the mallis of that land and the said Sir Ion sal hald vp that land with awys of the consal of the ton at [thair] cedens bas he may do by hys awn leyfyng. Witnes the hayl curt.

17 January 1456.

Burgh court.

The hed curt of the burgh of Peblis haldyng the Mononday,

Seriands.

Item, that ilk day was mayd seriandis John the Wach and John Henrison.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was maid burgis Thom Harloubank and sal pay for his fredom xx^{ti} s. and tha xx s. Mechal Forest has tan to for hym and John Dekyson, Brochton, and Tom Dekyson is boreh for scottying lottyn wakyn wardyng and borou mallis payn, and Thom Dekyson drauys his land liand in the North Gat that was Sten Wssar land for the sayd Thom.

Sasine. North
Rau.

Item, that ilk day the balyhe Wil Mouat gayf sessyng with erd and stan to Willi Bothwyl of a land was his faderis liand in the burgh Peblis and on the North Rau between the land of Sant Mechal on the west part on the ta part and the land John Blek on the est part on the tother part; and than incontenent the sayd Willi Bothwil ressyngit with erd and stan that said land fra hym and hys arris in the said balyhe hand with al profyt that to that land pertennis, and than the sayd balyhe gayf grund sessyng with erd and stan and jwnt feiment to Thome Dekyson and to Jonet hys wyf and to the arris comand of tham and to the langar lewir of tham thwa, falland of

tham and thar arris comand agan to the sayd Willi of Bothwel and hys arris. Witnes the hayl curt. Sasine. North
Hau.

18 *January* 1456.

It is to ramember, the Tysday the xvij day of the monath Januar the yer of God m ecce l and vj, that Mechal Forest has ressyngit with erd and stan a sartan of his land liand on the South Rau anenttis the cors, that is to say vp fra the hos that Roben Johnson begit to the He Gat, fra hym and hys arris, liand betwen the land John Hau on the west part on the ta part and the land of Gyb Darlyn on the est part on the tother part, in Wyl Mouat hand than beand balyhe, and than the sayd balyhe gayf grund sessyng with erd and stan of that sartan land and jnt fefment with half the yard fra the kel don to Sym Conno and Besse hys wif and to the langar leuar of tham thwa and to thar arris lachful, safand ilk manis ryeh; the throgat sal serf tham bath vp throu and don throu. Thir witnes, the balyhe Wil Mouat, John Lillay, Thom Dekyson, Gorg Wylyamson, John Yong, John Haw, John Henrison, seriand in that tym. Alsswa the sayd Sym and hys arris sall pay in the yeir yeirly to be payit a mark of anwal to the sayd Mechal and his arris at thwa wswel termys in the yer, that is to say at Qwyssunday next to com half a mark and at Martemes next after another half mark, and the sayd Sym is oblyst for hym and his arris thai sal nother alli sel na wedset that land to na man bot it be to the said Mechal or his arris. The witnes befor in this samyn writtyn. Sasine. South
Hau.

30 *January* 1456.

The curt of the burgh of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, Burgh court.
 Item, that day was mayd burgis John Smyth and Willi Bongus thai for x s. to pay at the balye wil. Burgesses.
 Item, that ilk day the balyeis has racwnnis the wast land in the North Gat for faut of the Kyngis burroumallis and for faut of the mallis thai war set for. Witnes the hal curt. Recognition.
North Gat.

14 *February* 1456.

The curt of the burgh of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, Burgh court.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Pottar and sal pay for his fredom xx^{ti} s., and x s. of that sal be pait be Bertylmes next to com and x s. at Qwyssunday next efter comand ; Gorg Wilyamson plegis for scotting and al othir thyngis.

Claim, Wil
Bullou against
Wil Peblys.

Item, that ilk day Wil Bullou stud vp in the curt and clamyt Wil Peblys of a sartan som of gold and siluer the qwyk he had geyfyng hym beyond the se to kyp, and than the said Wil Peblis denyit that he auch noyther tyl hym gold na siluer. Than Wil Bullou bad hym qwyt hym. Than the balyeis chardit hym to tak a nechbur on ilk hand onsuspekitt and swer the gret ath ; and than the said Wilyam Peblys swer the gret ath be hys witting he auch hym nother gold na siluer, and than the thwa lel men swer the gret ath that ath was gud and lel be thair witting. Witness the hayl curt.

28 February 1456.

Burghe court.

The curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Monunday,

James Thom-
son. Freedom.

Item, that ilk day Pato Tenppyl enteris James Thomson hys man in plan curt to be lel and treu to the fredoum qwyl he and hys mastter can concord.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Willi Patonson and sal pay for his fredom v and xx s., and x s. to pay within xiiij dayis ; plegis Mechal Forest for al scotting lottyng and al other borou mallis qwil the said Wyl get a land of his au.

28 March 1457.

Agreement as
to heirship
goods.

It is to ramember, the Tysday the xx^{ti} day and viij of the monath March the yer of God m cccc l and vij yer, that the wyf was Wyl Mowatis and John hyr son that is ar tyl hys fader Wil Mowat, that the said Jonet and hir son John Mowat ys acordit of his arscapat, and the said Jonet than incontinent deliuerit the arscap tyl John hir schon, and than the said John said it agan tyl hys moder qwyl scho leyfis that scho nother sel na aly that arscap qwyl scho lefys bot geyf it stand hir and hym of gret nessimite, and the said Jonet sal geyf hym for the arscap xl s. and a yerris fyndyng, and geyf it hapnys the sayd Jonet to byg thar land that John sal suple tharto has he

is essposit; allswa the sayd Wil Mowat mayd his wyf in his testment lachful towtor tyl his ar the qwylyk is wretyng in his testment with the paryst prestis hand; thir beand witnes, John Lillay, laird of Corsewmyfeld, Thom Dekyson, John Lyllay yongar, James Gybson, John Stauher lorimar, John Smyth, John Donald borou clark in that tym, with ma other.

Agreement as
to heirship
goods.

13 April 1457.¹

The curt of the burgeh [of] Peblys haldyng the Monunday. . . .

Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis has deliuerit the archap that was Wil Mouatis was delyuerit til his auwys, in the frest a brof caudron, a pot, thre quarttis, a spet and lantter, a peudar chader, a dis, and a daplar and a sassar, a bassyn and a lauar, a qwart and a pent and a chapyn, the burd and the trast, the perlyn of the hal, allsua a met amri and wessal ammari, and of thir thyngys and a surd, a grap, a fader bed, a cruk, a chak, a chyar, a gon, and a hud and a bonat scarlat, a sillar belt, a sillar spon, a gilrdil and a bakbrid, a mortar, a cwch bed hal has it standis, a sadyl and a bridyl, the irntanis, xiiij pennis tember, a sper, a maskyn tub with the laf that langis it, allsua the gud wif sal mannor thir thyngys qwil scho lefis.

Heirship
goods.

26 April 1457.

The hed curt of the burch of Peblis haldyng the Tysday,

Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day the custwm was set to Thom Dawison and Dobi Spendluf to xiiij mark and a half, ilk an athir borch and Thom Dekyson borch for tham bath.

Custom.

Item, that ilk day John Gofan has racunnyst with erd and stan a land the qwylyk was John Lauson liand at the est end of the ton for faut of his anewel that is to say xij s. be the yir. Witnes Allan Smyth and John Arcones and this the ferst curt.

Recognition.

18 July 1457.

The curt of the Burgeh of Peblys haldyng the Monunday,

Burgh court.

¹ This entry is dated 1457, but perhaps, considering the place it holds in the record, following the date 7th February 1457, the date should be 1458.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges James Yong and sal pay for hys fredom x s., v at Mechalmes and v at Kaludelmes, plegis hym self.

25 August 1457.

Sasine.
Annual.

It is to ramember, the Thrusday the xx^{ti} day and 5 of the monath August the yeir of God m cccc l and vij, that Marion of Sellar the wif [of] James Loch has ressyngit with a penne xvj sellyn of anwel that scho had of Wil Bulliis land throu hir husband in John Dekyson hand than beand balye in that tym, and than the said Marion sour it was with hir wil and noch thret be husbaud na other, na scho swld noch clam thar to in tym to com; and than the balye chardit John the Wach seriand to geyf sessyng with a penne to Sym Loch and his arris of that xvj s of anwel, safand ilk manis rych, the sayd Sym na his arris sal noch jos na anwel qwl Wil Bulli termnis lesstis. Thir witnes,

28 August 1457.

Kings land.

It is to ramember, the Sondag the xx day and viij of the monath August the yer [of] God m cccc l and vij yer, that Thom Dekyson has set half a qwartar of the Kyngis land to Jonet the wyf was of Wil Thomson for the tremys iiij yer for xx s. of mayl yerly to be pait, and the said Thom Dekson arris or assyngnay sal warrand the sayd Jonot in hir tak hir arris or assyngnay qwyl the termnis of four yeir lesstys, hyr enttra beand at Qwys-sonday bi pasit; thir beand witnes,

15th September 1457.

Obligation by
Allan Smyth.

It is to ramember, the Thrusday the xv day of September the yeir of God m cccc l and vij, that Allan Smyth has drauyng hys land and al his gud to be achet to the balyeis and the comonite of the ton to do the profit with it of the ton, that is to say the commoun ordenans that he sal hald hym within his an safand that he sal tak watter ilk day vt; witnes and borch is Dic Smyth and Thom Yong be the samyng condission, that is to say thar land and thar gudis.

John Smayl.

Allsua, that ilk day, John Smayl has mayd the samen condission that he sal kyp the samyng ordenans befor wretyng and be the samyng cwndission.

Thom Dekyson and Gorg Wilyamson is borch be the sammyng condission, John Smayl. and the said John Smayl sal haif his thwa ky milkyt at his hedyard, and that he sal fech hym watter at his hedyard.

Alssua, that ilk dai John Wssar has mayd the samyn condission to kyp John Wssar. ordnans befor wrytting, and has fendyng his land and his gud to borch, and John the Wach and Andro Folcart has fendyng thar land ryeh swa be the samyng condission.

Alswa, that ilk dai John Sellar be the samyng condission has draying his John Sellar. land and his gud and he brek the ordynans befor mayd, borch for hym John Smyth his mayth be the samyn condission.

3d October 1457.

The hed curt of the burgh of Peblys haldyn the Monunday, Head court.

Thir was chossyng to qwest:—in the frest, Thom Loch elder, John Inquest. Gibson, John Clark, John Qwych, Andro Melnar, Gorg Dawison, Rob Jamson, John Wilson, John Wodhal, Thom Fosstar, Rob Fosstar, Mecal Harwi, Thom Necolson, Thom Jamson, Andro Robenson.

That ilk day was chossyng balyheis:—John Dekyson and Wil Bully Bailies.

Prissar fles:—Rob Morray, John Ancornes, John Stanhus, Rob Forstar. Flesh pricers.

Tastar al:—John Leth, Wil Patonson, Casse Weyr, Jame Yong; and for Ale tasters. Casse, John Naper.

Item, that ilk day was maid burges Willi Mader and sal pay for his freedom x s.; plegis John Mador for scottyng and al other thyingis. Burgess.

Item, that ilk day the balyheis and the hal comonyte has grantit thwa Our Lady service. mark that langit Sant Jamys autar to Sir Jon Heltson to swpple our Lady seruys, and the said Ser Jon sal mak serwis for the sal that left tha thwa mark to be don at that autar; Witnes the hal curt.

17 October 1457.

The curt of the burgh of Peblys haldyn the Monunday, Burgh court.

Thir ar the gud men of the qwest:—John Dekyson, John Mader, Thom Inquest.

Inquest.

Dekyson, Thom Loch, Thom Dawison, Gorg Dauyson, Paton Tympil, Thom Jamson, Die Smyth, John Hau, John Qwyth, Wilyam Peblis, John Vssar, John Clark, Rob Jamson.

Rood altar.

Item, that ilk day the qwest with the consent of the curt has grantit til Sir Adam Fosstar his serwis has he had it befor til his term of Qwissunday; and fra Qwissunday fwrth the sayd Sir Adam sal haf the Common Strwder for x yer til es the Rud serwis with, and the sayd Sir Adam sal mak dalye serwis at the Rud ater in the hie kyrk of Peblis fra Qwissunday forth, his entra beand now as the hal curt assent.

Service of heir.

Item, that ilk day the qwest fand John Bechat the son of Wil Bechat laehful ar til his em Wat Bechat of the land and anwal rentis liand within the burgh of Peblis, and than incontient qwen the curt was don the balyeis yhed and gayf sessyng to the said John of a land liand in the said burgeh and on the North Rau betwen the land of the Wach on the vest part on the ta part and the land of Wil Bulli on the est part on the tother part, and than Jon Dekyson balye gert John Henrison seriand geyf sessyng with erd and stan to the said John of that land,

Resignation
and Sasine.

Item, that ilk dai Thom Dekyson eldar has ressyngit his land liand on the west sid Peblis Watter and the South Rau betwen the land was Sir Jon Blaicis on the west part on the ta part and the land of John Blaklok on the est part on the tother part in Wil Bulli hand than beand balye in that tym; this ressyng the said Thom Dekyson mayd with this condission geyf that John Thomson com with the som that he gaif hym for that land that he wald pruf was his an leil won gud and to pay the cost geyf ony be mayd on it the land sal be his an, for this the said Thom said it was his condission, and than the balye gert John the Wach seriand geyf grund sessyng with erd and stan to Reche Dekyson the son of the said Thom Dekyson and tyl Reche arris, and the said Reche Dekyson jossand that tenement sal geyf his brother Adam Dekyson v nobyllis; thir beand witnes,

17 November 1457.

Accountts.

Memorandum est, the cont of the burgh of Pebillis made the xvij day of the moneth of Nouember the yer m^o cccc^o fyfty and vij yeris, beand balyais

than John Dekyson, Wyllyham Bullok; beand wytnes Wylyam of Pebillis, John Lyllay, Thom Dekyson, Thom of Loch, elder and yonger, John Huschar, Paton of Tempyll, George Dawyson, with other syndri. Accounts.

That day the sayd town and the myllar was evyn of the mylling of Pebillis at this cont, and the sayd myller to pay x lib. of the Wytsonday term next followand.

That ilk day custumaris gaf thair cont and thair left in det of xlviij s. ij d. of thair Martymes mal bygayn at the cont.

That ilk day the balyais and the awdytouris has gewyn of the myller of the som of his x lib. befor wrytyn ij markis.

That ilk day the balyeis and the auditoris chardit that ilk day the custumaris to gyf John Donal, clark, xx^{ti} s. and Tom Gladou x s. and to John Donald wif xv d. that thair spendit at the cwnt.

Item, the balye gaf v s. to James Gybson for the hos bygyn.

Item, x s. tan fra the custumaris ta the xiiij nobelis to the kynknis currou * xij d.

Item, x s. gefyng to the balyhe of the Candelmes term.

Item xx^{ti} s. gefyng be the custumaris to Mechal Forest.

Item, the balye twk fra Doby v s. and gayf to James Gofan.

Item, the balye has tan fra Mechal Forest v nobilis.

Item, fra Andro Melnmar xx s.

Item, tan fra Andro Melnmar xvj s. gefyng to Wil Peblys for the chamberlar met.

Item, the cwsstwmarris is qwyt of the Candilmes term in al and in siluer.

Item, the sayd balyhe laid don ij s. at the Justys Ar for the comysson and xij d. to Tempill in drenk qwhen he ressaft the gold in Marion Lauson.

Alswa, the balye John Dekyson has gefyng to the pursmasster xl s. and vj in siluer and pondis and x s.

21 November 1457.

It is to ramember, the Mononday the an and xx^{ti} day of the monath Chamberlain
air.

* Perhaps kyngis currou.

- Chamberlain
air. November the yer [of] God m cccc l & vij, that day was the wssay of the chammerlan ayr.
- Wil Dennis. That ilk day Wil Dennis was maid qwyt of John Sellar clam be sis apon syis of the chammerlan, fryst of pyudyn and syn of wrangwis haldyn.
- Thom Roben-
son. Alsswa, that ilk day the curt awardit that Thom Robenson was qwyt of Thom Dobi clam.
- Gorg Roben-
son. Alssua, it was fwnd the doubyl syis of the chammerlan for the mar secarnes, and this was for the clam had til hym of Gorg Robenson.

16 *January* 1457.

- Head court. The hed curt of the burgh of Peblis haldyng the Monunday,
- Inquest. Thir ar the gud men of the qwest: Thom Loch, John Smayl, Thom Dekison, Mechal Harwy, John Hau, Paton Temppyl, Rob Fosstar, Thom Dawison, John Clark, John Wilson, John Gibson, Wil Balcaske, Thom Jamson, Thom Robenson, Rob Jamson, John Lillay, John Mador, John Wssar, Mechal Forest, Andro Melnnar.
- Recognition.
Thom Dawi-
son. Item, that ilk day Thom Dawison has racwnyst with erd and stan a land qwylym was Thom Wodman for faut of his anwal, that is to say ij s be the yer, thir beand witnes: Paton Kynpont and Rob Forfar, and this the frist curt.
- Wilyam Gofan. Item, that ilk day Thom Dekyson, atornay to Wilyam Gofan, has racwnyst with erd and stan a land was John Lauson hand at the est end of the ton for faut of his anwal, that is xij s be yer, thir beand witnes: Thom Necolson and John Fildar, and this the thrid curt; and than the seriand proclamyt thrys at the cors gefy thar was ony of the arris wald com within xl days and pay the mallis bygan bruk wel thar land, and gefy thai wil noch the lard wil maynowr hys land has lau wil.

30 *January* 1457.

- Burgesses. Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Sandy Cant and sal pay for his fredom x s, and of that is alowit for his rydyn to the ost v s, borch for hym his eld fader John Mador for scottyn lottyn wakyn and wardyn.
- Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Jame Morray and sal pay for his fredom x s, his land plegis hymself.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Willi Red, and sal pay for his fredom Burgesses. x s., at Beltan v s. and at Mechelmes other v s.; plegis John Red for scottyn lottyn wakyn and wardyn, and drauis his land in borch qwil he get a land scotinyabil of his an.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Patryk Dekyson, and burges silwer was alouit til his eld fader Mechal Forest; his fader Thom Dekyson plegis for him.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Ade Naper and sal pay for his fredom x s., v s. at Mechalmes and v at Qwissunday efter; John his fader plegis for al that langis him.

Item, that ilk day was mayd pursmasster Mechal Forest with common Purse master. assent to kyp the common gud in and deliuer it furth with consent of the balye and a sartan of the dussan.

Item, that ilk dai Gorg Robenson askyt hou that the curt decryit that Decreet. Gorg Robenson. day that Thom Doby clamit the said Gorg of a sartan som of siluer, the qwyk the said Gorg sayd he auch noch, and than the balyeis chardit the partis to ga forth and the curt suld decet hou it stud be thwen than, the parti ramofit, the curt awisit about and than wardit that Gorg Robenson was qwyf of the sayd Thom Doby clam.

7 February 1457.

Thir ar the lynnaris: Wil Bulli, Thom Loch, John Wssar, Paton Temppyl, Lynnaris. John Clark, Thom Gibson, Mechal Forest, John Smayl, Thom Dauyson, Dic Cant, John Gybson, Thom Jamson, Dic Smyth.

10 April 1458.

Item, that ilk day Andro Melnnar tuk the meln a yer for xx^{ti} mark, The Mill. plegis John Rocastal and hym self.

Item, that ilk day Thom Dawison and Rob Fosstar has tan the cusstwim Custom. for x pond, and John Blaklok borch for Rob Fosstar, Thom Dawison borch for hym self, and tha sal has pai has Thom Dauyson and his falou dit be for. Witnes the hal curt

Item, that ilk day John Gofan com in the curt to the balyeis and askyt Recognition.

Recognition.
John Gofan.

decret geif that he had won his land lachfulli be the lau at thre hed curtis and this the ferd curt, and the balyeis gert a seriand cry at the tolboth dour geif thar was ony that wald com that was ar to John Lauson and pay the mal by gan and bruk the land and thar was nan that wald com, than qwhen the curt was don than the balye Wil Bulli geif sessyng with erd and stan to John of Gofan of that land. Witnes the hayl curt.

Our Lady
chapel.

Item, that ilk day Sir Jon Smayl has geifyng sessyng til our Lady of the Chaipale of iiij s. and viij d. anwal of a land was Thom Newby liand in the Northgat and on the West Rau . . . ; allswa that ilk day the said Sir Jon Smayl has geifyng sessyng to that said Emag of xx d. anwal of the land was Andro Symsonis liand on the Conze at the hed of the Briggat ; allswa that ilk day the said Sir Jon Smayl has geifyng sessyng to the said Emag vij s. of his an land liand on the west syd Peblis Watter and on the South Rau . . . ; and sa thir thre is a mark. Witnes the hal curt.

24 April 1458.

Wenlaw.

Item, that ilk day it was ordanyt be the curt that ony gud that was tan on the Wenlaw or within the yard of the ton the pond sal be ij d. onforgefyn and mend the scath neur the les.

Act anent qua-
lifications of
chapellanes.

Item, it is ordanit be the balyeis and the hale communitie that in tym to cum thair be na chapellane present na put to na service that is foundyt or sal be foundyt in Sanct Androwis kyrk or within the parochyn, to the qwhilkis the balyeis and the communitie of Peblis ar tutowris keparis or gournowris, bot he that can syng playn syng at the leste, the qwhilk sal cum on Soundays and other haly days til evinsyng and mes to be dou with note in Sanct Androwis kyrk, the qwhilk chapellane sal be a burges son of the town gif sic ane may be gottyn abil thairfor, the qwhilk sal be chosyn be the balyeis with the consent of the hale communitie and noch at the request of na singlar person.

Sir Wilyam of
Fulop

Item, it is ordanit and grantyt frely be the balyeis and the hale communitie that Sir Wilyam of Fulop chapellane sal be present and put in and to the first service that sal hapyn vacand in thair gournans for his service now to begyn, to the qwhilk service he sal be present yerly efter as he makis service.

1 May 1458.

It is to ramember, the Mononday the fryst day of Maye the yer of God m cccc l and viij, that masster John Geddes is oblyst within thwa yeir that he sal mak a challis the prys of honder syllyn, or ellis delyuer a honder sellyn in Wil Peblis hand within thwa yeir, and al oudir clamis is qwyt-clamyt to master John and the den ; and Wil Peblis is borch that this be fullit ; alsua the said master John is oblist to the said den and Wilyam Peblis be his land and his gudd to kyp tham seathles.

Chalice to be made.

Item, that ilk day Sir Jon Bylton is oblyst that he sal mak up our Ladi challis be Lammis, borch thar for John Malour, and the said Sir Jon is oblyst to John Madour to [kyp] hym seathles be his land and his gud.

Our Lady chalice.

5 June 1458.

Item, that ilk day it was concordit be the balyeis and the hal commonteys that ony man mayd tulyhe within the town sal pay x s. onforgefyng to the common wark or he com owt of the tolboth, and this was common ordenans.

Against tulyes.

Item, that ilk day Henri Bochan was in an onlau to the balyeis, borch hymself for the onlau.

Unlaw.

Item, that ilk day was burgis Wil Carwor and sal spos his woman within a mochnath, onder the pan v mark.

Burgess.

17 June 1458.

It is to ramember, the Setterday the xvij day of Junij, the yer of owr Lorde m cccc lvij yheris, that Wilyam of Peblis and Thomas Hardkneis, executowris of vmqwhile Jamys Allane burgis of Peblis diuidit and assignyt the gudis that pertenynt to the barnis of the said Jamys to sic price and valow as thai thoecht metis, and fully consentyt at the nerrast and tenderast frendis of the said barnys suld put tham in gouernans, with thair gudis, to thair gud fader John Smale, or to ony other qwhar thai thoecht profitabil and spedfull ; and than furthwyth John Pede, Wille Pede, and John the Vache, beand present, put tha barnis and thar gudis in gouernans til John Smale and thair moder, thai vphaldand sextein markis as the stok til the barnis,

James Allane's barnis.

James Allane's
barnis. in the qwhilk xvj markis the arschip is contenyt, and thairof restand in Sir Thomas Alanis hand thre markis and iiij s., for the qwhilk sowm of sextein markis lely to be payd to qwham and qwhen it efferis gif the said John obtenis or gettis the said thre markis and iiij s. fra the said Sir Thomas, and falyand thairof it to be falkyt of the hale sowm ; the said John Smale drawis hymself, his ayris, executoris, and his lands in borch befor thir witnes : Thomas Dekison, Wilyam of Peblis, John Downald, Georgis Dawison and Thomas Jamson, burges of Peblis and Sir Thomas Hardkneis notar, with other syndry.

19 June 1458.

Corn and lint.
King's mail. Item, that ilk day it was ordanyt be the hal curt that al the wast land that was lynt or corn sawin that na man na woman tak it of that grwnd qwyl the Kyngis mayl be pait onder the payn tharefter folouys.

Common. Item, that ilk day is concordit be the balyeis and the hal commwnyte to som thar hal common, and the balyeis and commonys is concordit to vij persounis to thar ordenaus for a yer, and this ordeuans is concordit for a yer.

31 July 1458.

Tolbooth. Item, that ilk day John Lillay com borch for Andro Cady of x s. to the tolbooth.

2 October 1458.

Head court. The hed curt of the burgh of Peblis, haldyng the Mononday the secund day of the monath October the yer God m cccc lviiij, the sutts callit, the curt effermyt, ilk absent in amerssiment. Wil Patonsan, Rob Fosstar.

Dallies. Item, that ilk was chossyn balyeis Rob Mader and John Dekyson.

Flesh priers. Prissaris flis : Pat Kelo, Thom Fildar, John Wssar, James Moray.

Ale tasters. Tasstaris al : Ade Naper, Harlobank, Andro Cadi, Sym Bron, John Naper for Sym Bron.

Browsters. Item, that ilk day it was ordanit be the qwest that ony brostar that brak prys the fryst faut a galon of al, the next falt thwa, the thred falt thre, the ferd falt viij s.

Item, that ilk day, Thom Dawyson has racwnyst with erd and stan a land liand in the North Gat that was Thom Wodman land for faut of his anwal ij s. be yer; thir witnes: Doby Speduluf and Wil Dennis; this the thred curt; and than John Wach seriand critt at the cors gef that the arris wald com within forti days and pay the anwal bygan and than bruk thar land in Godys nam.

Recognition.
North Gat.

16 October 1458.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Willi Smayl and sal pay for his fredom x s., plegis hymself.

Burgesses ad-
mitted.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Thom Smyth and sal pay for his fredom x s. at the fawar of the balyeis and commonis.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Portus and sal pay for his fredom xl s., thwenti but fauyr to pay.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Morchanson and he sal pay for his fredom v nobelis, forty s. to pay but fawar.

7 November 1458.

That ilk day, the vij day of Nonember the yer m cccc lviiij yeris, befor the chawnerlane, Thom Robyson and Georg was fund be an inqwyst quhyt of the som that Thom Doby clamyt apon tham of xxviiij s. iiij d.

Chamberlain
Air.
Thom Doby's
claim.

Item, that ilk day Thom Robyson askyt at the chawnerlane law bowrous of Thom Doby, and than the chawnerlane chargyt Thom Doby to fynd law borous, and than thair com law borch for hym John Dekyson of the Smethfeld and that the sayd Thom suld be skathlas bot as the curs of common law askis of the sayd Doby and his purches.

Lawburrows.

Item, that ilk day, the Ar of the Chamerlan haldyng at Peblis, thar com in Andro Robenson with a hyl complant on his eldmoder Jonot Monat, sayand scho held fra hym and fra Jok Ancornes and Willy Red the arscap that thai langit to haif of Jon Mouat, and than the chamerlan de-puttis send efter the gud wyf, and than the gud wyf deniit scho held nan fra tham becawis scho had cofit fra hir son in his *leg poste* qwyl he was lewand, and than of this scho clamyt witnes to the common buk, and than the chamerlan gert the clark fetch the common buk and than that recordit

Jon Mouat's
heirship.

Jon Monat's
heirship.

has the gud wyf sayd for scho said scho gayf til hir son xl s. to pas in Yngland, and than Andro Robenson said thai xl s. suld be tharis, and than the gud wyf sayd scho had pait hym tha xl s. and a gra gon and a red bonet, the qwilk scho coft at John Smayl, and than the Chamerlain chardit that gud wyf gau ham and manwr that arschap qwyl scho lefys and geyf it stand her of ned scho may sel part of that til hir lefying.

20 November 1458.

Accounts.

Memorandum, that the cont of the burgh of Pebylls is maid the xx day of the month of Nouember the yer m cccc lviiij yeris, be the balyais, John Dekyson and Wylham Bullok, thir beand awdytouris Wylam of Pebyllis, John Madour, Thom of Loch elder, John Smaal, Paton of Tempyll, Georgis Dawyson, Mechel of Forest, John Gybsoun John of Rowcastell, with other mouy, all thingis contyt that suld be contyt and alowit that suld be lowyt.

Item, that ilk day, Andro Myllar gaf his cont and out rede and payt of all termes bygane tyl the next term of Wytsonday.

Item, that ilk day the custumaris out rede and payt the custum of al termes bygane, saffand Rob Forster iij s.

Item, in this ilk yer the expensis the chawmerlanis costis drawis iiij lib. xij s. of the said burchg, and it is ordainit to be payt be this maner: fra John Morchoson xl s.; item, fra John Portus of the Rawchan xx s.; item, fra Pat of Connyngham j mark; item, fra Wylle Smale x s.; item, fra the custumaris vj s. of thair martymes term of befor; item, fra Thome Smyth iiiij s., and he has payt his burges syluer.

Item, that ilk day the borou mallis was gaderit, spendit xvj d.

16 April 1459.

Inquest.

Thir ar the gud men of qwest: Thom Dekyson, Thom Dawyson, Gorg Dawyson, Wil Bulli, Jon Wilson, John Car, Wil Demis, Jon Smayl, Dic Wilson, Jon Gybson, Lau Cady, Rob Fosstar, Jon Frassel, Paton Tempill, Jon Roucasstal, James Morray.

Mill.

Item, that ilk day Andro Melnmar twk the meln of Peblis for thwen mark.

Item, the custwm was [set] that day to Thom Dauyson and Doby Spendlof Custwm. for xv mark.

30 April 1459.

Item, that ilk day Gorg Wilyamson has brokyn sessyng with thwa dissis and fyr onder the dissis sayand sai that sessyng was is fals and ruyn with the self that was to Thomas Louys, sayand thair auch nan to haf sessyng of that land bot hym self, thir beand witnes : John Mador balye in that tym, Gorg Elffynston, John Lillay, Tom Dekyson yongar, Thom Dekyson, Thom Dauyson, John Dauyson, John Henrison seriand in that tym. Sasine broken.

4 May 1459.

It is to ramamber, the Fryday the ferd day of May the yeir of God m cccc lix, that ilk day com John Bonkyl to the balye John Dekyson and askyt at hym sessyng of thua anwallis, than the balye bad hym schau his powar qwath he had for hym, and than he schou powar of the Kyng that he was mayd lachful atornay for Catryn Cant of thai thua anwallis, and than the balye gert the seriand John Wach geyf sessyng with penne of a land lyand euest the cors of Sir Andro Borris on the North Rau next anexthalf Jame Thomson land ix s. be yeir, and than incontenent the seriand gaf sesseng with penne of a land Mechal Forest vj s. liand bethwen the land Thom Loch on the west part on the ta part and the land Gorg Wilyamson on the est part on the tother part, safand ilk mannis rych ; thir witnes :— the balye John Dekyson, Master John the Wach notar, Thom Dawison, John Dawison, John Wach, John Donald bourou clark in that tym, with ma othir. Sasine. Annuals.

25 June 1459.

Item, that ilk day it was concordit be the balyeis and the hal cort that ony man that layd medyn on the causa and liti for dayis sal pay, vnfor-gefing, viij s. Middings.

Item, that ilk day John Lyllay yonger was chalangit be the balyhais and the commonite of the forssyng and the takyn of his fader gudis and his fra Thom Person thair common seruand, and of the stryking of the sayd Thom, has he that pyndyt the gud lauchfully apou the Wenlaw as Foreing goods from an officer.

Forcing goods
from an officer.

common statut was ordanit, and for tha fautis makyn the sayd John becom in the balyais and the twyns wyll of xx s. at thair wyllis rassyng and takyn to be payit; plegis Georgis of Elphynston, Wyllyem of Peblis, Patrik of Nesbet, and Georgis Dawyson. And at the sayd Thom Person be skathilas of the sayd John Lyllay and his purches, bot as the cours of common law askis; plegis the forsayd iiij personis. Item, gyf the sayd John defaultis in sic maner and tym cumyng aneitis the toun he sal pay, but fawyr, xl s.; plegis the forsayd four personis.

Arnot's Hanch.

Item, that ilk dai, John Dekyson and the balye and Wil Peblis and Gorg Elffynston mayd raqwest to the balyeis and the bal commonte for to lat Dic Robenson haf Arnotis Hale qwhyl he lefis, and that fendit al God forbet that neur nan of hym na his sed com in that malyn agan.

4 July 1459.

Concord be-
tween Forest
and Loch.

Item, it is to ramember, the Wednysday the ferd day of the monath Julij the yer of God m cccc l and ix, that the wyf of Mechal Forest is concordit that hir masster and scho sal lay thar grath in the gal on Sir Jon Lochys to mak thar yet sekyr, and of this condission Syn Loch is assentit tharto has he that has scat of the fe.

12 July 1459.

Fechtyng.

The quhylk day, befor the ballyhais and the commonite, was certane personis brocht befor thaim and chalangit for fechtynge, that is to say Thom of Balcaske and Wyllem Bulle yonger, the ta party, and the tother party John Smayle and Wyllem Smayle, and than the balyais chessyt of the best and of the worthiest men of the town xiiij for tyl mak knawyn and tyl dissyide makeris of that fechtynge and than be verrey document of thaim that herd and saw the begynning of that bargan the gud men that yeid upon it fand that Thom of Balcaske and Wylle Bulle was the mufaris of that bargan, and thairfor thai haf ordanit and decretit that Thom of Balcaske pay to the byggyn of the tolbuthe xx s., plegis Wyllem of Balcaske; and than attour thai haf ordanit and decretit gyf cuir the sayd Thom distrowbyllis or fechtis other with that party or ony other nyctburis within the town and he be fundyn in the faut that he sall pay, but fawyr, to the twu x lib., plegis Wyllem of Balcaske his hand and his gudis. Item, thai haf ordanit and

decretit that Wyllem Bulle yonger, for the faut that he made, that he pay to the tolbutth x s., plegis his fader Wylyam Bulle; and alsua thai haf ordanyt and decretit that gyf in tym cumyng the sayd Wyllem Bulle yonger distrowbyllis or fechtis other with the forsayd party or with ony other nyctburis of the town and he be fundyn in the faut he sal pay to the town, but ony fawyr, xl s., plegis his fader Wyllyam Bulle. Item for the strykyn of Katrine the wif of Wylle Smayl efter the skathyng apperand in hyr persoun, other than or in tyme cumyng, of that fechtyng the mendis of hir sall be at the rassyng and at the wyllis of thir persounis:—Schir Rechart Purdy dene of the cristianite of Peblis, Georg of Helphynstoun, Wyl of Peblis and Thom Dekyson; plegis Wilyam Bulle his hand and his gudis. Fechtyng.

23 July 1459.

Item, that ilk day, John Murchowsoun was decretyt be the court in x s. to pay, but fawuris, and all fauttis bygan forgewyn, and at the sayd John sall com in the gud town tyl induel hymself and with his gud, vnder the payn of xl s. to pay, but fawur; plegis hymself his hand and his gud be Mechelnes next to cum. Decreet.

1 October 1459.

The hed curt of the burgeh of Peblis, haldyng the Monunday. . . . Head court.
 Thir ar balyeis: Thomas Dekyson, Wil Peblis. Bailies.
 John Naper, Lore Lauson, Dicke Pattonson, John Portus, the tasteris of al. Ale tasters.
 John Morchonson, John Geddes, Willi Smayl, Thom Smyt, the pryssaris of fles. Flesh pricers.

29 October 1459.

The curt of the burgeh Peblis, haldyng the Monunday, . . . Court.
 This is the qwest:—Wil Bulli, John Wssar, Andro Folcart, John Forfar, John Roucasstil, Thom Gordon, John Blaklok, John Wilson, John Gibson, Gorg Wilyamson, Paton Temppl, Thom Dauryson, Dic Smyth, Andro Melunar, Thom Yong, John Smayl, Lau Cadi. Inquest.
 Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Meg Wodhal, and sal mak for hir freedom a rud of caussa; plegis Thom Necolson. Burgesses.

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Andro Gladou, and he sal mak a rud of cassa ; plegis John Sellar.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Thom Geddes, and sal mak for his freedom a rud cassa ; plegis Willi Smayl.

Finding of inquest.

Alsua, that ilk day, Paton Temppil com befor the balyeis and askyt at tham lau of Adam Welfed has that coft at hym a sartan of gud a yer bygan, the qwylk that he planttys of be the wil of v s., the said Adam anssard and deniit that he aws hym ony syluer, and than the balyeis put it to qwest, and the qwest fand that he suld be dettour of the som bot he mycht pruf with suffysand pruf that is fuwli content and payit, and than the forsad Paton askyt at the balyeis at this war fwfyllit, and than the balye chargit the forsad Adam to get xv dayis and bryng his pruf with hym and pruf his pament or than to content in the forsad Patton of the siluer that he is planttis of. Witnes of this at the hal curt.

14 *January* 1459.

Head court.

The hed curt of the burghch of Peblis, haldyng the Monunday, . . .

Inquest.

Thir ar the qwest: Wil Bulli, Thom Loch, eldar, Andro Folcart, Paton Temppyl, James Murra, Jon Lillay, Thom Gordon, Andro Melnnar, Jon Wilson, Dic Cant, Jon Gybson, John Blaklok, John Smayl, Gorg Wilyamson, Thom Robenson.

21 *January* 1459.

The town and haly kirk.

The balyais, Wylyyam of Peblis and Thom Dekyson, with the doussan, and with thaim of the eldest of the town, present in John Smayllis hous gaderyt, for the reformatioun of certane thyingis langande bath the town and Haly kirk, the quhylk day Sir John Heltson in our Lady name of the Hee Kyrk alegyt and folowit iiij s. of anwel of the est syde of the land of Mathow Hutteris, and than incontinent Sir Adem Fosster, seruande to the Rude service, agayn callyt the sayd Sir John clam of the Ruddis behalf and sayde thai iiij s. of anwell was the Rudis and nocht our Ladis that wrangwysly thai war with-haldyn fra the Rude be our Lady seruandis, the quhylkys was fundyn of befor be the eldest and of the best with the chossyng doussane sytand and decretand thairapon, and that the sayd Sir John denyt and sayd it was nothir put to syss na quest na yyt men sworn thairto ; and than the balyais

and the gud men that was thair present gert the partys remufe and thair suld deternyt thairapon, and than the sayd doussane and the eldest of the town thair present fand the forsaid iiii s. worth of anwel the Rudis and to gang to the Rude seruice, siclic as it was fundyn be the decret of befor, and chargit the sayd Sir John to sess for thair fand that our Lady had na rycht to that anwel be the document and knowlag of the eldest of the gud toun.

The town and
haly kirk.

2 April 1460.

It is to ramember, the secund day of the moneth of Apryll in the yer of God m cccc and thre schor of yeris, ws balyeis in the tym, Wylyem of Pebillis and Thomas Dicyson, and the comvnyteis of our burgh of Pebillis, wyth consent and assent of the sayde communyteis, we hafe set and to ferme lattyn and be this our present wryt in our commown buk settis and to ferme lattis tyl our lwyt burges Jhon Smayll, Thom Yong, Thom Robynson, and Thom Glado all and hal our landis wyth the pertynes lyand and beand betuex the waterys on the swtht half of our sayd burgh quhylkis is callyt our Commwn Halch, for all the termys of sewynten yeris nest and togeder foloand the dat of this present wryt, for a ssertan sown of wswall mone of Scotland to ws thankfully beforhand payit be the sayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom for all and hayll the mayllis of all and syndry the termys of the for wryttyn sewynten yeris of our sayd landis of our Commoun Halch, the quhylkis forswtht of the forsaid certain sown of mone of mayll wye grant ws to haf rassauyt and takyn beforhand be the forsaid Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom and haldis ws thairof wyell payit content and assyht and the sayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom thar ayris exsycuturis and assygnayis thairof dyschargis qwyhtelemes and exonor for euirmar be this our present wryt. To be haldin and had al and syndry our forsaid landis of our Commoun Halch, wyth all fredomys commoditytis and essymentis to the said land pertenaud or rychtwysly may perteyn, endurand the sayd sewynten yeris ass maylaris brukis on four half abowt or acht to brwk lelyi but fraud or geyll, the entre forswtht of the for sayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom of our landis of our Commoun Halch beand at the next Wytsonday efter the dat of the makyn of this wryt. And wye forswtht the forsaid balyeis and communyteis our hayris exsicuturis and assygnayis al and syndry our forsaid landis befor nemyt wyth the pertenens, endurand all the termys of the forwrytyn sewynten yeris, the forsaid Jhon, Thom,

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Thom and Thom thair ayris exsycutoris or assygnayis in maner form and effec as is befor wrytтын agaynis all men and women sal warand qwhytleu and defend. Thir beand wytnes : the forsaid balyeis, Thom of Loch elder, Jhon Wschar elder, Wyl Bule elder, George Dauesoun, Jhon Gybsoun, Paton of Tempill, Jhon of Rowcastell, James of Gowan, Dic Smytht, Alan Smytht, Jhon Potter, Jame Lausoun, Andro Glado, Thom Dauesoun, Doby Spendluf, Wyl of Balcaske commoun clerk, Jhon the Wach seriand, Patt Henrisoun seriand, Thom the Hay scheraf deput, and Stewyn Derlyu kyng seriand.

21 April 1460.

Road service
annuals.

The hede court of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn the xxj day of the moneth of Appryl the yer of God m cccc lx yeris, be the balyais Wylam of Peblis and Thomas Dekysoun, the suttis callit, the court effermyt.

The quhilk day, comperyt in cwrt Sir Adam Forstar, seruand to the Rwd awter, and clemyt iiij s. of anwel to the Rwd scrusy of a land of Qwhylliam Watsoun, and for to declar that he brocht Sir John Wylyensoun notar the quhylk suorn deponyt be hys gret acht that he hym self twk swmquhyl ta the Rwd servys tha iiij s. of the sayd landis and be hys knowlege pertenyys ytt to the Rwd servys.

That ilk day comperit in cwrt Thomas of Loch and brocht twa wytnes, Doby Spendlwf and James Lawson, the quhylk sworch the gret acht that the said Thom of Loch recwnyssyt a land on the Cwnze pertenand to Rob of Percle for half a mark of anwel be yer, and this is the secwnd curt.

That ilk day the samyn wytnes swer that Sir Adam Forstar recwnysit the samyn land for a mark of anwell be yer to the rwd serwys, and this the secwnd cwrt.

Burgesses.

That ilk day James the Wach and Thom Jonsoun was mad burges ; borch for James the Wach nychbwrhed and bowromall Jhon the Wach, and Jhon Dykeson borch for the sayd Thom Jhonsoun of hys nychburhed and of hys bowromall ; the forsaid James for xx s. and for the forsaid Thomas a rwd of cawsa or the price of a rwd makyn and that is x s.

Item, that ilk day James Thomson was mayd burges payand, but fawer, a mark be Trinyte Sunday, and borch for that and hys nychtburhed and hys bowromall Patryk of Tempyll

26 *May* 1460.

It is to haf in mynd that Jhon Hyllsoun was mad burgis befor the balyeis and the nychtburis the xx day of May the yer of our Lord m cecc and lx; item, he sall pay for his burgis syluer x s. in hand and v s. betuex this and Seante Bertylmes day; item, Wylyem of Pebillis is borch for hys dewytis and for his bwromall and his nychtburhed. Burgess.

9 *June* 1460.

The quhylk day, comperyt in cwrt Sir Wylyam Smaill, procuratur for Jhon Smail twtur to Katryn Smail his dochter, and askyt at the balyeis to gar red the landis of the said Katryn, to quham thai gert geif sessyng, and to ger be declaryt qwwhether scho acht to byd wyth hir possessioun or nocht. The parteis ramoffeyt, the cwrt avissit, declarit that the possessioun that thai gafis thai vnderstwd was lachfull, and that scho swld byd wyth hyr possessioun. Sasine disputed.

And rycht thair comperyt Thom Dieysoun of the Smythfeld, procuratur for Sir Thomas Kenete, and alegit and said at that sessyn that Katryn Smail had tane was na sessyn lachful bot intrwssioun and was lachfully brokyn, and said that the said Sir Thomas Kenedy was in the Kyngis respit at the byschop of Scant Andoris has of the Kyngis as famelyar tyl hym ay quhyl the byscopis ham come and xl dayis efter his hame come, and forbad the balyeis the nychtburis and any of the Kyngis legis that thai enternet with thai landis or brek that respit quhil the tym cwm at the respit be rwn and the byschop come hame.

21 *October* 1460.

The cwrt of the burgh of Pebillis, haldyn apone the Tyisday, Court.

That ilk day, Thom Swyft comperit in the cwrt and askyt Andro Folcart xiiij stane of woil the quhylk he achit tyl hys fader, and than Andro Folcart denyt ony det that he acht to Thom Swyft, and than Andro Folcart sayd that thar was rekning betwyx his fader and hym of the quhylkis thair was ane obbligacioun and bad hym schaw hym his obligacioun and he swld ansuer to the obligacioun, and he said he mysterit nocht to schaw the obligacioun for he said he was ayr tyl his fader and bad Andro quhyt hym of ony det at he achit tyl hym, and that he put to God and a sys. Thom Swyft's claim.

Deliverance by
assize. And than the sys was chosin, and the gret athtis thairapon maid that thai suld lelili and trewly be the wytand declar thairapon, and yid fwrtht and was awyssit and come hyn agayn accordit thairapon, and said that thai fand rekning betwyx Andro Folcart and Jhon Swyft and bad Thom Snyft bryng the obligacioun and Andro Folcart suld mak rekning to the obligacioun.

Assize. Thir was the gwd men of the assys : Mychel of Forest, Patrik of Tempil, Dyc Bulle, Georg Daueson, Jhon Haw, Jhon Gybson, Doby Spendlwf, Sym Conno, Thom Daueson, James of Gouane, Wyl Small.

3 November 1460.

Court. The curt of the burgh of Pebillis, baldyn apone the Monouday,
That ilk day was chosyn balyeis Vlyem of Pebillis and Thomas Dykysoun.

Bailies. Thir ar the all cwnarris : Thom Johnson, Jhon Hyltson, Andro Glado,

Ale tasters. Thom of Gedes.

Flesh pricers. Thir ar flesch prysaris : James the Wach, Vlyem Wrycht, Henry Buchan, Vyl Reyd.

Inquest. Thir ar the gud men of the Inquest : Vlyem Bulle, Thom Daueson, Law Cade, John Gybson, Thom Robyson, Patryk of Tempyl, John Clerk, Thom of Loch, Daue Vylsoun, John Fresall, James the Wach, Jhon Forfayr, Rob Forfayr, Thom Dykyson, Jhon Daueson.

November 1460.

Tolbooth. It is ordanyt that Dic Bulle sal haf xls., for the laubor that he makis of the tolbut, sa that he be besy and ger the werk be endyt.

16 February 1460.

Disobedience. The quhylk day, the cwrt fand Sir Jhon Hyltson dyssabeyeris of bayleis and of nychburis.

27 April 1461.

Common of Hamyldoun. The quhylk day, the balyeis nychtburis and the hal communte set tyl a wrychypfull man Thomas the Hay full and hall the commoun off Honyldoun

wyth the pertenaus, for al the termys of v yerris next foloand his entra, beand at the Wytsonday efter this curt, for v markis of vsswall mone of Scotland yerly, to be payit at tua vsswall termys that is to say Wytsonday and Martymes be ewyn porssyonyis, safand at he sal pay at hys entra xl s. of formaill; and the nyctburris of Pebillis sal haf fredom for al the said termys to cast turris and pwl hedder, wyn thaim led thaim and goueran thaim rycht as thai did or he was tenand. Borch and detteris for the maill: Thom Vylle, Andro Folcart, Andro Mylner and Vyll Red.

Common of
Hanyldoun.

The quhylk day, was maid burgis Vchwn Merchoson, and sal pay xx s. for hys fredom befor the fest of Sancte Peter calit Lammes; borch for hys dewyteis the lard of Frud, and Wyl Dykyson that he sal do nyctburhed lyk as any other nyctburis doysis.

Burgesses.

The quhylk day, was maid burgis Georg Robynson, and sal pay x s. for hys fredom betux this and Mychelmes; borch for his syluer and for hys nyctburhed Jhon Dykyson yongar.

The quhylk day, Wyl Dykyson twk the custum for xiiij markis and xl d. for the next yer; borch Jhon Dykyson yongar, Wyl Dykyson of Brochtoun and Thom of Gordoun.

Custom.

19 June 1461.

Thir ar the lynnoris to serf the burgh of Pebillis: + Wyllyem Bulle, Rychart Cant, + Jhon Haw, Thomas Janson, Georg Daveson, + Llaw Cade, + Jhon Cwek, + Thom of Gordoun, Patryk of Tempyll, Dic Smytht, James Gibsoun, Jhon Murchosoun, + Jhon of Wodhaw, Thom Jonsoun, Tom Yong, Thom Gibsoun.¹

Lynnoris.

28 July 1461.

Ws, balyeis of Pebillis in that tym beand in the offyce, Thomas Dykison, Mychel of Forest, and the commyniteis of the said burgh, wyth consent and assent of the saidis commonitis, Jhon Dykyson of the Smythfeld and Rynyan Dykyson his son and aperand ayr to the said John, vs tyl haf set and to fern lattyn and be this our present vryt in our common buk

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mills.

¹ Immediately under the above list, in which certain names are marked in the MS. as above with a +, there is written, on what seems to have originally been left a blank space in the record, the following:—The lynnoris of the burgh; Rechart Cant, Thom Jansoun, George Davysoun,

Die Smyth, Simon of Loch, John Davysoun, John Huscner, Thom Haw, Wyllyam Bulle, James Gybsoun, Andro Folkart, Thom Jansoun, Thom Forster, Patrik of Tempyll, John Morechowsoun, Thom Yong massoun.

Let of common
mills.

settis and to ferm lattis tyl our luffit burges and nychtbur Andro Mylner our myllis and myllingis, that is to say, our commoun myl stanand apou the Vater of Pebillis and on the north half of our said burgh, and our myl and myllingis stanand vnder the Castelhyll vnder the suth syd of the said hyll, for al the ternis dayis and yeris of his lyf and lefin in erd efter the dait of this present writ in maner and form as efter folois: that is to say, the forsaid Andro sal pay yerly of iij yeris foloand efter the dat of his entra in the saidis millis and myllingis xx^{ti} and vj markis of wswall mone of Scotland at twa wswel termys of the yer, that is to say at Mertymes in vynter xiiij markis and at Wytsonday in somer ayther xiiij markis, and alsweil at vther tymes in the yer as at tha termes gaif the toum neidis or mysteris quhen he is chargit be the balyeis and the commonittis of the said burgh at his gudly pouer; and fra the iij yeris be fulleli by passit and outron the forsaid Andro in the samyn maner, in yeris and at termys befor spokiu, sal pay xx pundis of wssual mone of Scotland to the said burgh be evin portionis for the forsaidis myllis and myllyngis and of the forsaid som of xx and vj markis and at the fornemyt termys in yeris; and alsua furth foloand be yeris and termis of the xx lib. in perpetuall to be tau gefin and payit of the saidis myllis and myllingis in yeris and at termis befor vrytin be the forsaidis burgh to the Rud servis at the Rud alter in Sante Androis Kyrk for the lyfis and the saullis of the commonitis of the said burgh of Pebillis, Jhon Dykison saul, his ayris, the said Androis saul and al cristin saullis, twa markis of wsswal mone of Scotland to the vphald of the forsaid Rud servis quhyl the forsaidis myllis and myllingis standis. And for this appontment settyn and to ferm lattyn to the said Andro of myllis and myllyngis as is befor vrytyn in yeris and termis and payn of sowmis for to be kepit in al thing and throw al thing, the said Andro at the vyl of God sal byg the myl and mylling vnder the Castelhyll wyth the supple of the commonitis of the said burgh, that is at thai sal lay the gret tymmer of ak in place wyth the stuf at is stanand in place wyth myl stanis and other bygin stanis, and ilk nychtbur tyl help hym half a day to the redin of the myl dam, and the laf the said Andro to mak suffyciand at may be tyl hym mensk and onour to the ton profit; and the saidis Andro vphaldand the forsaidis myllis and myllyngis at his gudly pouer quhyl he lefis. And our the saidis common myllis and myllingis to be haldin and had al and syndry, wyth al fredomis commeditis and

eisymentis to the saidis myllis and myllyngis pertenant or rychtwysly may perten, endurand the said Androis lyf dayis, as mallaris brugis on four half about or acht to brug lelely but fraud or gyll; alsua geif the said Andro worthis vanton and wuchersiabil in his common seruis, and vyl nocht mak gud seruis and to be obediēt to the gud town, quhen he sa defattis he sal be correxit be the balyeis anys twys or thris, and geif he after defaultis at it be a seand caus and a gret faut to the ton he sal tyn his takis fra that furth at the balyeis and the commonitis vyll; and at he sal haf na seru- andis in the myllis bot at sal be sworn tyl hym and at he sal stand for thair laute. The entre forsuth of the said Andro in our myllis and myllyngis beand at the next Vytsonday efter the dat of the makin of this writ. And we forsuth the said balyeis and commonitis, John Dykison forsaid and Rynyan, our ayris exsecutoris and assignays, al and syndry our forsaid myllis and myllingis befor nemyt with the pertynens endurand al the dayis and yeris of hys lyf, to the forsaid Andro, in maner form and effect as is befor vryttyn, agaynis al men and women sal warand and defend. Thir beand vytnes: Jhon Madur,

Let of common mills.

13 August 1461.

[James of Loch, resigned two annualrents of eight shillings and four shillings respectively, payable out of his lands in the North-gait into the hands of a bailie who gave heritable state and possession to Mychell of Forest]. And quhat tym that the forsaid James of Loch, or his ayris or his exsecutoris or his assignayis, layis down upon a day in the town of Pebillis twelf nobillis of gwd and wswall mone of Scotland to the forsaid Mychell of Forest, or tyll his ayris or tyl his assignayis, the forsaid xij s. of anwell be yer sal reuert agayn to the forsaid James of Loch or tyl his ayris and tyl his assignayis for euirmar fra the forsaid Mychell and his ayris and his exsecutoris and his assignayis. Befor the forwrytten wytnes.

Resignation of annuals.

5 October 1461.

The hed curt of the burgh of Pebillis, baldyn upon the Mononday, Head court.
 That ilk day was chosyn balyeis: Jhon Madour and Jhon Dekysoun. Bailies.
 That ilk day was chosyn flech pryssaris: Jhon Portus, Andro Glado, Thom of Gedes, Jhon Hyltsoun. Flesh priers.

Ale tasters. That ilk day was chosyn aill kwnarris ; Wchwn Merchosoun, Ade Wilsoun, Jhon Quhyt, Georg Robynsoun.

Rood service. That ilk day, comperyt [in] curt Sir Adam Fostar, kepar to the Rud seruis in that tym, and brocht wyth hym iii rekwnys in playn curt and askyt auard of that forsaid Rud land, and than the curt ryply avysyt a-wardyt at that forsaid land was in the Rudis hand for faut of the anuelis payin as is be for aproffyt, and than the suttis callyt Pat Kello efter lang lentht of tym bydin efter a proclam maid at the dur gaif that for dom.

16 *November* 1461.

Burgesses. That ilk day was maid burges James of Newtown, and hys burges syluer geifin Meg Henrysoun in hys tocher for the luf of God.

Item, that ilk day was maid burges Rob Walch, and sal pay for his fredom x s. ; and Wylzem of Pebillis has drawn hys land anes the cros for his nychtburhed and for the Kyngis ferm.

That ilk day was maid burges Thom Thomsoun, and sal pay for hys fredom xx s., the ta x s. at sancte Elymes and the tothir x s. at sancte Peteris mes callyt Lammes ; and Georg Dauesoun is borch for hys payment and has drawin hys land anes the cros for hys nychtburhed and for the Kyngis ferm.

18 *January* 1461.

Seriands. That ilk day was chosyn seriandis Pat Henrisoun and Dic Vylsoun.

10 *May* 1462.

Custom. That ilk day has tane the custum at the balyais and the court, Wyl Dekysoun and Georgis of Robyson, for xiiij markis and xl d ; plegis for thair payment makyn of thair soum : Thom Dekysoun elder and Thom of Gordoun.

St Michael's land. That ilk day, comperyt in court Thomas the Hay and askyt at the balyais and the nychtburis in the court gyf thai wald set tyl hym a land of Sant Mechelis lyand awest half the Water of Peblis, in few and erytage, lyand betwix the land of Dic Patonsonis on the est syde on the ta parte and the land of Thom Bechetis on the west syde on the other parte, and than the balyais, wyth consent and assent of the nychtburis and Sir John of Loch,

chapellan to the sayd seruis of Sant Mechel, as grantyt and consentyt that sayd land with the pertinens to the forsayd Thomas and hys ayris in few and erytage, payand yerly for that sayd land xij s. and iiij d. to the huphald of Sant Mechellis seruis in Sant Androis Kyrk, and that the sayd Thomas sall lef that land as gud as he fyndis it gyf it sa happynis him to lef that sad land ; plegis for that Rechart Cant and Rechart Wylson. Wytnes the hal court.

St Michael's
land.

And alsua, that ilke day, incontinent quhen the court was don John Dekysoun balya, with a certan of the nychtburis with hym, passit to the forsayde land, and thair was brocht the ymage of Sanct Mechell, and of that land was layd erd and stan in that ymagis hand, and that erd and stan was delyuerit to John Dekysoun balya, and than the sayd balya incontinent gert Rechart Wylsoun seriand, with the saydis erd and stane, gyf the forsayd Thomas the Hay possessioun and erytable state of the forsayd landis, with the pertinens, to hym and his ayris, sawand ilk mannis rycht ; for the quhylkis land thai payand yerly xiii s. and iiij d. of anwelrent to the huphald of Sanct Mechelis seruis at his awter in Sanct Androis Kyrk. Wytnes thir beand : Rechart Cant, John Wilsoun, Sir John of Loche, Wyl Dekysoun, Dawy Forstayr, John Hardkneys, Dawy Brun, John Naper, Ad Naper, John Fressall, Reche Dekysoun, Edwart Robysoun, Ad of Newby, George Rwysoun, Patrick Henrisoun seriand, Rechart Wylsoun seriand, and Tom Yong bowrow clerk in that tym, with mony other beand in that tym present.

Item, that ilk day, comperyt in court Margret of Fylope and askyt the possessioun of a caldron, the quhylkis scho alegit was gevyn to her be Wylyam of Fylop her fadyr in his *legis pouste* and was haldyn fra her wrangvysly and agaynis the law, and sayd scho was in fyrst possessioun of that caldron bot at Thomas Dekysoun borowit fra her that caldron and he hecht to entyr the caldron agayn to her, the quhilkis he declaryt was as scho sayde ; and than Sir Wilyem of Fylop ansuend and sayd that he vnderstud that caldron was ayrschep of his brother sonis and alegit at scho auch nocht to haf the possessioun of that cauldron ; and than Thomas Dekysoun declaryt in the court how the actioun stude and prayit the balyais to ger gyf award of the curt quether he auch to ger the madyn be possessit of the caldron or nocht ; and than he and all partys remowyt, the court awardyt and ordanyt at Margret of Fylop auch to be cleide with the sayd caldron

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considerand the declaratioun be Thomas Dekysoun in the court; alsua it was set in the next court befor haldyn this court of peremtour gyf ony partis had clam to that caldron to cum this day with thair alegens or thair defensis anentis the sayd caldron, and than Sir Wylyam of Fillop requeryt the balyais at the sayd caldron, suld be present at the nest court, and than the balya chargit Margret of Fylop to enter the caldron at the nest court, and thair to com borch John of Rowcastell for the entra of the sayd caldron,

21 May 1462.

Resignation of
land in the
Corsgat.

Item, it is to remember apoun the Friday the xxi day of the moneth of May in the yer of Gode m^o cccc^o sexti and ij yeris, at George Dawyson has rasygnyt with erd and stane his tenement and land with the pertinans, liand in the Corsgat on the Northt Raw betwix the land of Mechel of Forestis on the west syd on the ta parte and the land of John of Ostis on the est syd of the tother part, in John Dekysonis hand than beand balya, and than incontinent the sayd balya with that sayd erde and stane gafe state and possessioun to master Thomas of Cokburn of x s. of anvel to be payt to hym his ayris or his assigneis of the sayd tenement and land with the pertinens be yer enir tyl the tym at the forsaid George his ayris or assigneis lay don and pay to the forsaid master Thomas his ayris or assyngneis apoun a day fra the son rysyng to the done passing within the burchg of Publis anche pondis of vsuale mone of Scotland; and gyf it hapynnis the sayde tenement and land to be wastyt or dispoulyeide be ony maner of way at the forsaid master Thomas his ayris or assigneis may nocht, na can nocht, get the forsayde x s. of vsuale mone of Scotland of the saydis tenement and land, thai sall pass to the sayde Georgis akeris of land lyand betwix the town and the Qulyt Stane on the northt half of the gat rekand to the Wenlaw, and of tha akeris to be payt the forsaid x s. of anvell, gyf it hapynnis the forsaid tenement and land to falya; this beand fullyllyt and done of the payment makyng of the forsaid som of viij lib. be the sayd George his ayris executoris and assingneis to the forsaydis master Thomas his ayris or assingneis, the sayd tenement and landis beand fre. Thir beand wytnes: John Dekysoun balya in this tym, Sir Wylyam Gybsoun, Thom Robysoun, Andro Folkart, Sir Adam Fylder, Patrik Dekysoun, John of Kenpout, Edwart Robysoun, Patrik Henrisoun seriand, and Thom Yong commoun clerk in that tym, with mony other. And alsua I the for-

sayd George grantis me tyl haf rasawyt fra the forsayd master Thomas, at the tym of the rade of Norham, ij lib., with the saymyn condecion and poyntment in maner and form has is befor wrytin, befor Thom Yong wytnes. Resignation of land in the Corsgat.

24 *May* 1462.

That ilke day was made burges Robart Patonsoun, and sal pay for his fredom bot x s., becaus he was fundyn a burges sone; and for all ordiuale chargis, the sayd Robart to kep in nyctburhed, Wylyam Dekysoun plegis hys land and gudis. Burgess.

14 *June* 1462.

That ilk day, Schyr John of Loche comperyt in court and humely besocht the balyeis and the nyctburis in the court at thai wald, with thair fawur, consent and gef hym lef to mak permutacione of Sant Mechelis seruis, as thai at ar tutouris thairto, with maister Thomas of Cokburn, and the sayd maister Thomas vphaldand and ger doand the sayde seruis of Sant Mechelis in Sant Androis Kyrk in siclyk maner and form as the sayd Schyr John makis and dois, and than the court fensyt about, ilke man be his awn vos gaf thair lectioun to the sayd Schyr John and gaf hym lef thairtyll, and than incontinent the sayd Schyr John resygnyt vp with a glufe in the balyais handis and the nyctburis the sayd seruis of Sant Mechelis and all the rycht he had thairofe, and than incontinent in the sayd court the forsayd balyais, John Madour and John Dekysoun, with consent and assent of all the nyctburis, with the said gluf yaf possession and ful power of that sayd seruis to maister Thomas of Cokburn quhill he lefis, with sic chargis and seruis to mak or ger be made, in lyk forme as the sayd Schyr John of Loch had it with, bath in quer at messis evynsang quhen tym is and quhen seruis is to be made, ales than he be, or quham he ordanys in his name to mak seruis be, in a neidful erand or besynes than to be assoneit; and alsua the sayd master Thomas to vphald the sayd seruis, the quhilkis may be plesyng to God and Sant Mechel honor and worschep to the sayd master Thomas meide and meryt for the saulis of the fundouris of the sayd seruis and all cristyne saulis, in maner and form as is forsayd to do and kep; and gyf the sayd master Thomas fulfyllis nocht as is forspokyn he sal be promofyt and put out of the sayd seruis at the wyll of the balyais and the nyctburis gyf he makis caus be the sayd master Thomas awn promyt in court. Wytnes herof the hal court with parte of namys specifiyt, Wylyam of Peblis, Thomas St Michael's service.

St Michael's
service.

Dekysoun, Georgis Dawysoun, Thom Dawysoun, Thom Robysoun, Wilyam Bulle, John Morehosoun, John Portus, Law Cade, Thom Doby, John Wilsoun, Will Smal, John Gybsoun, and Thom Yong, with many other present in that tym in court.

11 October 1462.

Fights and dis-
turbances.

It is to remember, the Monunday the xj day of the moneth of October in the yer of Gode m^o cccc^o sexti and ij yeris, that day the balyais, Georgis of Elphynstoun and John Dekysoun, with the nyctburis present in the tolbutth, as statut and ordanyt that gyfe thair be ony that fechtis or tulyais other be nyct or day in distrowbyllyng of the town and for gret perell of ill doying, quhatsumeir party thai be that is fundyng in the wyt thai sal pay to the calsay makyn to the He Kyrk, but fawur, x s. ; and gyf athyr partis be fundyn in the wyt ilke party sall pay v s.

Middings on
calsay.

Item, that ilk day, thai haf statut and ordanit that na mydyngis ly on the calsay langer than viij days, vnder the payn of chet to the calsay dychtaris.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Cudbart Dekysoun, and his burges siluer gewyn hym fre for his wyffis sak ; and plegis for al ordinal chargis of his nyctburhed Thom Dekysoun elder.

25 October 1462.

Almshouse.

It is to remember that apon the Monunday the xxv day of the moneth of October in the yer of God m^o cccc^o sexti and ij yeris, that Sir Wilyam Gybsoun has resyngnyt with erd and stane fra hym and his ayris his forland lyand in the west end of the buregh of Peblis on the North Raw, betwix the lande of Johne Carys on the est syde of the ta parte and a land of Sir Andro Lowris on the west syde of the tother parte, in Johne Dekysounis hand balya in that tym, and than the sayde balya gaf that erd and stan to John Wylson seriand in that tym, and chargit hym to gyf eritable stat and possessioun to Sir John Smayle in name of pur folk, thair to haf in that land harbery and beddyng has it may be of power to be vphaldyn and bere, in worschep of Almychty God and our Lady Sanct Mary, and for the heile of thair saullis of the fundaris and the gduaris of that plas, and for caus that

the sayd Sir John Smayl is gewyn the possessioun in the name of pur folk the chapellane that seruis in the chapele of our Lady sal be tutour and oursear of the sayd almushous quhatsumeir he be ; and incontinent the sayd John Wylsoun seriande layd the sayd erd and stane in Sir John Smayllis hand in name of pur pepylle and gaf hym of thair behaw eritable stat and possessioun of the forsayd land for euirmar in maner and form as is forsayde, and that sayd forland beand fre of the anuel paying tyl our Lady and sal be tane and payt of the bakland and nocht of it. . . .

Almshouse.

The quhylk day was mad all tastaris : James of Newtown, Thome Tom-soun, Dic Connow for Wate Talyeur, and Jøhn Naper for Rob Patonsoun.

Ale tasters.

Item, that ilk day was mad flesche pryssaris : Wylle Rede for Rob Wauche, John of Status for Huchon Morchowsoun, James the Waiche for John Quhyt, and Adem Wylsoun for hymself.

Flesh pricers.

Item, that ilk day the gud men of the quest statut and ordanyt quhat euir scho was that brak prys of brede or all thair sall be tane of her xij d. to the bying of a knok.

Bread.

Item, thai statut and ordanyt at ilke man haf his dykkis mad be Mertymes sowfychand bath for front and hede rowm and sydwawdyk, vnder the payn of ij s. takyn to the knok.

Boundary
dikes.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt quhat euir thai be that takis stubyll of any land, the hous at it cummes to thar sal be tane of it vj d. to the knok.

Stubble.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that na strakis gang in the merkat bot rownde rows and nocht squhar.

Straiks.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that quhatsumeir thai be that fechtis flyttis or tulyeis, in distrowbillyng of the toun, quha sa be fundyn in the faut sal pay ij s. to the knok bying.

Fighters and
disturbers.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that na commoun langand the toun, na yyt seruis of haly kyrk, be nother set na gewyn in perpetuale bot with the dousan.

Commons.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that quhat euir he be that byis, 6ther within the burgh or outtoutht, skynniss, well, hyddis, or quhyt clath fra vnfremen of pak sall be tane vj d. to the knok.

Buying fro
Unfremen

Item, that ilk day the balyais and the nychtburis has gewyn to Dic Bulle

Annual Tol-
booth.

our the xij d. of the anwel that the sayd Dic Bule was awand of his yard lyand nest auestal the land of Georgis Robysoun for caus that the sayd Dic Bulle sal gef a aktre tyll be a summer tyl the kyll and that he sal benk the tolbutth about for that anwel, and the sayd anwel sal be fre to the sayd Dic Bulle and his ayris.

8 November 1462.

Cross Kirk.

That ilk day, the court saydly avysyt and fenssynt about, ilke man be his awin voce, sawand viij persons, decretyt and gaf thair lectionn that frer Thomas Lorymar suld serue in the Crois Kyrk tyl Beltane of his guid beryng, and tyl haf his lewyng at the wyl of the balyais and the comunis, gefyng of the gudis of the sayd place.

22 November 1462.

The court of the burchg of Pebillis, haldyn the Monunday,

That ilk day made burges James of Loche, and gewyn his fredom quhit for his fee of his seriandschep and nentis the poyndyng of quhitis and ladis of skinnis or hidis or brekyn of pryssis, for scotyng wakyn and wardyng his hand and his land.

7 December 1462.

Homyldon.

The court of the burchg of Pebillis halding apone the Tysday,

Item, that ilk day the balyais and the nychtburis has ressavyt vp the tak that Thom the Hay had of Homyldon as he that mad thaim request tharfor, and he for that caus and for the termes bygan sal pay xls. with gud wyll to thaim, and of the sayd iij markis he sal pay and outrede the twa mark that John the Waiche is vnder cont of to the last chekker, and the thyrd mark he sal don and pay to the nest chekker quhen he is chargyt. Wytnes the court.

17 January 1462.

Kirk of Stobo.

Item, the quhilk day quhen the court rass the sayd balyais passyt with Schyr Andro Yong tyl his land lyand in the west end of the burchg of Pebillis on the Northe Raw, . . . and of that land the sayde Schyr Andro Yong has rasingnyt with a penny fyf schylllyng of vsual mone of Scotland of anwel be yer, [in the hands of a bailie who chargd a seriand to give possession]

to our Lady seruis to be done and in perpetuale in Sant Mongyoys kyrk of Stobo, at our Lady auter in the sayde kyrk, efter the maner and form of the charter thairapon maid; and than incontinent the sayd James of Loche seriand layd the sayd penny in a ymage hand of our Lady Sant Mary payntyt on papar and gaf her thar and tyl her seruis perpetuale has is forsayd crytable stat and possessioun of the forsayde fyfe schillyngis of the forsayd land. . . .

Kirk of Stobo.

15 *March* 1462.

It is to remember that, apoun the Tysday the xv day of the moneth Marche in the yer of Gode m^o cccc^o lx^o ij yeres, was made burges John Scot, and has payt for his fredom a bow and a schefe to the town; for his scotyng lottyng wak yng and wardyng, plegis his hand and his gudis.

Burgess.

16 *March* 1462.

Was made burges Rechert of Geddes and has payt for his fredom a bow and a schefe to the town; and for scotyng lottyng wak yn and wardyng his hand and his gudis.

Burgess.

17 *March* 1462.

Was made burges Wyllem Gybsoun, and has payt for his fredom a bow and a schefe to the town; and for scotyn lottyn wak yn and wardyn his hand his gudis.

Burgess.

23 *July* 1463.

The quhilk day has takyng the customis Wylam Dekyson and George Robysoun at the balyhais and the nychtburis, for xiiij markis and xl d.; plegis for thair payment makyn Mechel of Forest and Georgis Dawysoun.

Customs.

28 *January* 1463.

Thomas of Stanus, with erde and stane, has rasingnet his land lyand in the burchg of Pebillis on the Southt Raw in the west ende of the sayde burchg [in the hands of a bailie who delivered the] erde and stane to Patrik Henrisoun seriand and chargit him to gyf sessyng agayn to the sayde Thomas of Stanus and to Jonet his wyf. . . .

Resignation of land.

Item, incontinent the sayd Thomas has rasingnet and gewin to the sayd Jonet gefe he dessessis befor her and na ayris gottyn betwix thaim, to joys and brak thir gudis als wel as land, stedy, bellys, hammaris, and al other

Blacksmiths goods.

Blacksmiths
goods.

thyngis that pertenis to the craft of blak smyth, with al other gudis and al thair gudis, tyl her propyr vssis at her awn will tyl dispon, sa thair cum nay ayris of tham to vys tham.

26 February 1463.

Dowssane.

Item, that ilke day was chossyng the dowssane for the reformatioun of the town : George of Elphynstoun, Wylyam of Peblis, Thomas Dekysoun elder, John Dekysoun, John Madour, Meehel of Foreste, Will Smayll, Wylyam Dekysoun, Georg Dawysoun, [+ Wylyam Bulle,¹] John Blaklok, Rechart Cant, John Gybsoun, Thomas Jamsoun, John Morchawsoun, + Thomas Robysoun, Andro Folkart, + Wyl of Balcaske, John Haw, Patrik of Tempyll, + Rob Jamsoun.

Pace of bread.

Item, the quhilk day the gude men of the queste statut and ordanit that quhat wyf brak the pass was gewyn efter the price of quheit be the balyais of ilke miche to be tane twa laffis and delt for the fyrst faut ; item, for the nest faut of ilke miche iij laffis to be delt for the seconde faut ; item, for the thryde faut of ilk miche wantand of the wecht of the lafe vj laffis to be tane and delt to pur fouk ; and quhat scho that is fundyng with thir fautis iij sall be clossyt of lakkyng yer and day ; and rychtsua of all browyng that brekis price.

9 April 1464.

Court.

The heide court efter Pasche of the burchg of Pebillis, haldyn be the balyais of that ilk, Georg of Elphynstoun, John Dekysoun and Wylyam Dekysoun, the Monunday,

The quest.

The gud men of the quest :—Thomas Dekyson elder, Wille Bulle, Georg Dawysoun, Law Cade, James of the Hoste, John Husscher, John Morchosoun, Wyll Smayl, John Portus, John Gybsoun, Wyll Dekysoun, Thomas of Gordoun, Dic Smyth, Thomas Robysoun, John of Wodhaw, Lowre Homlyng, Thomas Fosster.

Buying goods
previous to
market.

The quest statut and ordanit that nane suld pass outoutht the yettis of the town, nother to by hiddis, skynis, futfellis na lamskynis, na yit other gudis that com to be sold at cors and merkat, nother apon merkat day na other dayis, vnder the payn of viij s. paying, but gyf the cass be thai met sic gudis of sudante in tym of gangyng to the kyrk or another neidful crand.

¹ In the original record this name is delete.

23 April 1464.

Item, that ilk day was gewyn the fredom to Peronele, and scho sall pay thairfor xxx s., but fawour, and for all ordinalle charge keyping in nychtburhede scho has drawyng her land liand in the Corsgat. Burgess.
Peronell.

Item, that ilk day has takyn the custum at the balyais and the court Wyllem Dekysoun and George Robysoun, and sall pay thairfor xv markis and a half mark, and plegis for thair payment makyn Thom Dekysoun elder and John Madour. Customers.

10 June 1464.

The court of the burgh of Peblis, baldyn apon the Mononday,

Item, that ilke day was made burges Thomas Henrisoun the myller, and sal pay for his fredom xxx s., and that is gewyn to the makyn of the buttis; ande for al other ordinal charges to kep in nychtburhede and for the paying of the kyngis ferm be yer, drawyn in plegis the land of Georg Dawysounis anorththalf the cors. Burgess.
Buttis.

1 October 1464.

Item, that ilk day comperyt in court frer Wilyam Gybsoun master of the Crois Kyrk and forspekar with hym Wilyam of Peblis, and than Wilyam and frere Wilyam askyt, for the reuerans of God and our Lady and the heile of thair saullis, at the balyais and the nychtburis that thai wald gyf a pess of land vuder the est end of the Castellhill on the north syde betwix the gat and the hyll, at the sayde frere Wylyam with the help and suple of cristyn pepyll mycht byge apon it a Hous of Almus for tyl harbry in it pur foulk for saull heile; and than the balyais and the nychtburis grantyt to gyf that land, and quhen the court rass the balyais with the nychtburis, incontinent, past to the forsayd land, and thair Wylyam Dekysoun balya tuk vp erd and stane and layde it into frer Wylyam Gybsonis hand and gaf to hym eritable state and possessioun of the forsayd land in the name of pur foulk has procuratour to tham in the caus. Befor thir witnes: the forsayd balyais, George of Elphynstoun, Wyllyam Dekysoun; Will Bulle, Dic Bulle, George Dawysoun, Wyl Smayl, Rynyan of Peblis, master Archbald Dekysoun, Sir Archbald Fosstar, Wil of Balcasky, James of Loch and Thom Yong, with mony other present in that tym. House of
Almus.

Schoolmaster. The quhylk day, the balyais ande the nychtburis has grantyt and ordanyt, endurand thair wyllis, to Schyr Wylyam Blaklok to haf the scule and to be schunmaster and tyll teche the chylder, and to tak the prophet of the scoule has efferis of the chylder at he techis.

15 *October* 1464.

Ale tasters. Item, that ilk day was made all tataris : John Yong, Lowre Gybsoun, Wylle Gybsoun and Thom Hemisoun of Monunmyl.

Flesh pricers. Item, that ilk day was made flesche pryssaris : John Scot, Wille Smayl, James of Newtown and Thome Salter.

10 *December* 1464.

The court of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn apone the Monunday,

**Quhit Auche
under Glen-
tres.** Item, the quhilck day the balyais and the nychtburis has set and to ferm lattyne to thair luffyt frend Thomas Ledbetter the Quhyt Auche vnder Glentres, dorand thair willis, for xx s. of male be yer, to be payt at twa termes in the yer, the entra of payment makyn be the sayd Thomas at the nest Wytsonday x s., and sa furth term be term quhilck the sayd Thomas joyssis the sayd auche of yeris and termes ; plegis for his payment makyn Patrik Henrisoun.

Tulya. Item, that ilk day comperyt in court Thomas Dekysoun of Ormstoun and Alexander of Horsbruk of that ilk, and than in playn court the sayde Thomas and Alexander swor apone a buk the gret athe out that Thomas Robysoun burges of Peblis, and Eby his wyf, had nother art na part, rede na consell, bot sar agaynis thair wyllis, of the sekyn that the sayde Thomas and Alexander made of Dic Kuk and Gybbown of Argyll and thair company at the tulya hapynnit betwix thaim and Dic Wylsoun on Sant Androis day at evyn, and the sekyn at the sayd Thomas and Alexander made of the sayd childer was for na ill doying to thaim bot tyl haf present thaim to the officiaris of the town. Wytnes the hall court.

Burgesses. Item, the quhilck day was made burges Thomas the Waiche, and sal pay for his fredome xxx s. to the nest chekker ; and for scottying, all ordinale chargis, to kep in nychtburhed and for the kyngis ferma and to cum of induellyng in the town at the nest Wysounday, plegis Wylyam of Dennyis and his land.

Item, the quhilck day was mad burges Dawy Martyn, and sal pay for his

fredom x s. at Beltane ; and for all ordinaile chargis, kepyn in nychtburbede and the kyngis ferm, plegis Rob of Brownsoun and his land. Burgesses.

Item, the quhilk day was made burges John Wylsoun, and his burges siluer gewyn for the luf of God tyl John Clerk his eld fader ; and for all ordinaile chargis, kepyn of nychtburbede and paying of the kyngis ferm, plegis John Clerk and his land.

Item, the quhilk day was made burges John Thomsoun, webster, and sal pay for his fredom x s. at Beltan or a rud of causay.

6 May 1465.

It is to remember that, apou the Monunday the vj day of the moneth of May the yeir of our [Lord] m cccc lx and v yeiris, the quhylk was the curt day, the said balyeis and the commonyteis has in playn curt set four and forty fut of lenthit and xvj fut of breid of our land, lyand at the est end wnder the Castell heill and apou the swthit syde, for ij s. of annuell be yeir and the buro maill, and quhen the balyeis and the curt ras Georg of Elphynstoun forsaid balye past to the said land and deliuerit erd and stan to James of Loch seriand of the said land and chargit hym geif heritabill stat and possessioun to James the Wache and his ayris, and than incontinent the said seriand laid the erd and stane in the hand of James the Wacht and gaif hym and his ayris eritabill stat and poscescioun of the said landis, payand ij s. of annuell be yeir and the buro maill as is forsaid, safand ilk mannis rycht ; and than furthit wytht the said James the Wach passit tyl hys land on the swthit syd of the gat and of that land he rasingnit in the said balyeis hand wyth a d. ij s. of annuell be yeir quhill the forsaid land be bygit and strenyeabill for the said ij s. of annuell be yer. Befor thir wytnes : Thom Dykysoun, Jhon Dykysoun, Wyllem Bulle, Georg Collane, Thom Doby, Andro Mylner, Thom Foster, Jhon of Stanus, Rob Smaill, Wyll Dykysoun, Stewyn Derlyn, Thom Foster, Thom Henrysoun, James of the Ost, Sym of Loch, Thom of Loch, Georg Robynsoun, Rychart Dyksoun, Thom Yong and Wyll of Balcasky, witht othir dyuers. Land at Castlehill.

30 September 1465.

That ilk day was chosyn balyeis : Georg of Elphynstoun, Jhon Dekysoun and Wyllem Dykysoun for this yeir. Bailies.

14 *October* 1465.

Flesh pricers. That ilk day was maid flesh prysaris : John Yong, Lowre Gybsoun, Wyl Gybsoun and Thom Henrysoun.

Ale tasters. That ilk day was maid aill tasteris : Thom the Wache, Wyl of Lyntoun, Daue Martyn and Jhon Thomsoun.

2 *February* 1465.

Bryg masters. That ilk day was chosyn bryg masteris : Thomas of Cokbwrn, Sir Rychtart Prwde, Sir Wylyam Smayll, Jhon Madwr, Dic Cant, James Gybsoun, and Vyl of Balcasky.

That ilk day the nychthuris consentyt that quhat tyme that the bryg-masteris chargyt thaim to cwm to wyrk to the bryg thai sal cwm, vnder the payn of a manns dawerk and that is vj d.

Quarter-masters. Item, the town has consentyt that it sal be quarterit in fowr quarteris, and thir sal be quarter masteris :—Thomas Dekysoun, Mychel of Forest and Jhon Dawesoun in the Hee Gat ; Sym Towne and James of Mura in the Cors Gat ; in the Brygat, Jhon Scot ; item in the Northt Gat, Andro Fostare and Vyl Bulle ; beyond the Watter, Georg Robynson and Vyl Dykyson.

14 *April* 1466.

Burgess. That ilk day was maid burges Sandris Lokart, and hys fredom geiff to Sir Walter Scot, for scottyn, lottyn, wakyn and wardyn and for the kyngis ferm, plege Georg Davesonis land in the Northt Gayt.

6 *October* 1466.

Bailies. That ilk day was chosyn balyeis : Thom Dykysoun and Mychel of Forest.

Flesh pricers. That ilk day was maid flesh pryssaris : Sandris Lokart, Thomas the Wach, Dawe Martyn, Wyl of Lyntoun.

Ale tasters. Thir ar the aill tasteris : Rob of Wyghem, Rob Persoun, Rob Yong, Jhon Androsoun.

The quhilk day, the inquest ordanyt that qwhatsumeur thai war that

brak red fesch to sell the schyn to be brokin wyth the samyn fysch ; item, Fish, beif.
quhatsumeuir he be that brekis beif that the hochis brokin wyth the samyn.

Item, that na burges be maid bot in playn curt.

Making of
burgesses.

19 January 1466.

The heid cwrt of the burg of Pebillis,

Thir ar the inquest :—Jhon Lilla, James Madwr, Jhon Dykysoun, Wyl Inquest.
Dykysoun, Wyll Bulle, Dic Cant, Jhon Mwrchosoun, Andro Folcart, Sandris
Lokart, Georg Dawesoun, Patoun of Tempyll, Robyn Foster, James of Mura,
Thomas Doby, Thomas of Gordoun, Andro Mylner, Dic Smytth.

The quhilk day, the inquest fand that master Jhon Doby swld haiff all Schoolmaster.
the skwll, owttakand thai that leyryt to syng, sic lik as the nychtburis per-
mytyt hym for a yeir, and qwha that pwt ony barnys tyll hym swld pay
hym a yerris pament.

The quhilk day, the cwrt ordanyt that geif that the seriandis deid nocht thair Serilandis.
office that the balyeis wyth the counsell swld depyryff tham at thair awn wyll.

The quhilk day, the inquest fand that the lard of Henrystoun swld get Lard of
a letter of the byschopis of an inqesyecioun of the schapell. Henrystoun.

6 April 1467.

The heid cwrt of the burch of Pebillis, haldyn be the balyeis Thomas Court.
Dykysoun and Mychell of Forest, apou the Monunday,

Thir ar the inquest :—Jhon Lilla, Wyllyem Bulle, Jhon Haw, Georg Inquest.
Dawesoun, Thomas the Wach, Lowre Hamlyn, Thomas of Gordoun, Law Cade,
Jhon of Wodhaw, Andro Mylner, The lard of Henrystoun, Sym of Lochit,
Thom of Snawdoun, Thom Robynsoun, Andro Folcart, Jhon Blaclok, Thomas
Doby.

20 April 1467.

The cwrt of the burch of Pebillis, haldyn be Thomas Dykysoun and
Mychell of Forest balyeis in that tym, apou the Monday,

The quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis has set the cwstwm to Custom.
Wyllyem Dykysoun and Georg Robynsoun for x lib., borch for Georg Robyn-

Custom. soun John Madwr and for Wylzem Dykysoun borch Thom of Gordoun ; wytnes to Jhon Madour that Georg Robynsoun drew his land in plege, Wyl Smayl, Thom of Loch and Sym of Loch.

7 October 1467.

Head court. The heid cwrt of the burch of Pebillis next efter Mychehnes, haldyn be the balyeis Georg of Elphynstoun and Thomas Dykysoun balyeis of that ilk.

Bailies. The quhylk day, the forsaid balyeis was chosyn.

Flesh pricers. The quhilk day, was chosyn flesh pryssaris : Andro Cade for Harbart of Twede, Jhon Andersoun, Rob Persoun, Rob of Wyghem.

Ale tasters. Ayll tastarris : Jhon Naper for Jhon of Dronys, Rob Yong, Thomas Gybsoun for Georg Robynsoun the custumar, Rob Person for Stewyn Derliu.

18 January 1467.

Land at Kwnye. The inquest fand that the land lyand upon the Kwnye next a swtht half Sir Jhon Hyltsonys land on the ta part and the Bryg Gat upon the tother part acht yerly to the Rwd lyecht a pwud of wax.

Court, dwsan. The curt auysyt and fensyt abowt, ilk a man be hys awn woce, anens the condoscioun maid to Wylzem of Cokbwrn be Andro Folcart and Georg Daveson, that thai wald byd at the consell of the dwsan of the town.

Gat dychtyn. The quhilk day, the nychtburis gayff to John Naper the dychtyn of the gat fra Wytsonday fwrtht indwrand thar vyllis.

28 February 1467.

Tolye on Fastrin-sven. Item, it is to remember that anens the tolye that was maid upon Fastryn-ewyn betwex Rob Dykyson on the ta part and Thomas Haw on the tother part, the balye Georg of Elphynston has tan lawboris of bath the partis, that is to say, Rob Dykyson fand law borcht for hym Jhon Dykyson that Thomas Haw swld be schathtles of hym and hys party bot as law wyll ; wytnes, the balye Thomas Dykyson, Georg Daveson, John Blaloc, James of Govan, and Rob Smayll ; item, Thomas Haw fand law borch for hym Georg Collan that Rob Dykyson suld be schathtles of hym and hys party bot as law wyll ; wytnes, the person of Glenqwhym, master Wylzem of Twedy and Sir Robert Twuo.

9 *May* 1468.

The hed curt of the burch of Pebillis,

Court.

The quhylk day, the inquest ordanyt that the perysch clerk suld tak of hors, chep, or nowt, that war fwndyn in the kyrk yard iiij d. for ilk tym that he fendis tham thar, and swyn to be slayne.

Perysch clerk.

The quhylk day, the hayll cwrt consentyt that quhat tym that thai be warnyt to cwn to werk at the bryg that he that is warnyt and cumys nocht sal pay for that day iiij d. furtht with, and this nocht to be forgeifin.

Brig-work.

24 *May* 1468.

Item, it is to remember, the Tyisday the xxiiij day of the monetht of May the yeir of our Lord m cccc lx and acht yeiris, the quhylk day the balyeis of the burgh of Pebillis, Georg of Elphynstoun and Thomas Dykysoun, wyth the dussan, has set the custwm of the said burgh for x pwndis for a yeir to Wilyem Dykysoun and Georg Robynsoun; plege for the said Wilyem Dykysoun, Thom Dykysoun of the Smetitfeld be hys hand; and plege for the sayd Georg, Andro Folcart be hys hand.

Custom.

The quhylk day, was chosyn scwhmaster for a yeir Lowrans Jonson, and the balyeis promytit tyl hym that he suld be sythit of all nychtburis sonsy sic lyk as wont and ws is.

Scwhmaster.

20 *June* 1468.

The quhilk day, Dic Twno, Georg Gybson, and Vat Balye com in the balyeis wyll, and ilk an of tham other is borch, for the strwbillans of the town.

Strwbillans.

3 *October* 1468.

The quhilk day, the said balyeis oblyssis tham that quhatswmeuir he be that fallis in an vulaw that that vulaw sal be geifin to the bryg, bwt fawuar, for that yeir, and this sal be don bwt fawur.

Unlaws to be given to Brig.

Item, it is ordanyt the samyn day for the kepyng of the town for the pestelansche, that the iiij portis of the town sal be closyt and keptit daly be a man that sal stand for the kepyng of ilk yet, vnder the payn of viij s. to be tan of hym that suld keip the yet that day of that quarter quhar that cuir it fallis, and tha viij s. to be geifin to the bryg.

Pestilence. Fortis to be closed.

- Ports. Item, it is ordanyt that the yettis sal be kepyt ilk day fra this day fwrtht, and that ilk yet sal be cloyst and maid suffyscient within viij dayis, vnder the payn of viij s. to be tan, bwt fawur, and that to be geifin to the byrg.
- Edinburgh. Item, it is ordanyt that na man sal gange tyl Edynburcht, na that na man sall bryng, na man na barn, na other gwdis fra Edynburg, vnder the payn of banyssyn of the town for a yeir, bot be the leif of thir vj men.
- Side dykes. Item, it is ordanyt be the balyeis, and with consent of the commwnite and the sex men, that Mychell of Forest sal mak wp hys syd dyk fra his bern to the yet wythin viij dayis fra thin furtht, and it be vnmaid to be tan ilk day viij s., and that swa of ouy man that has nocht cloyst hym self quhar euir thai be.
- Council. Thir ar the sex men that is ordanyt to geif the balyeis consell :—Wylcem of Pebillis, Jhon Madur, Patton of Tempyll, Wyl Smayll, Jhon Blaklo, and Jhon Murchosoun.
- Quarter-
masters. Pest. Item, it is ordanyt that na man sall herbry na rasaff na man bot wyth the leif of the quarter masteris, and that quarter quhar that the pest cumys the quarter masteris to be awyssyt and consallyt wyth the vj men.
- Flesh pricers. Thir was flesch prysarris of that yeir :—Jhon of Dronys, Georg Robynson custumar, Stewyn Derlyn.
- Ale tasters. Thir was the ayl tasteris :—Thom Gybson for Gylbert Vlyemson, Andro Cade for Thom Dykison, Thom of Stanus.

5 September 1468.

- Cow ford. The quhylk day, yt was ordanyt that ilk nychtbur swld lay vj laid of stais at the Kow fwrld, and that na man sal leid na clay fra thin, vnder the payn of viij s.

2 November 1468.

- Town mea-
sures. Item, Wyl Dykyson and George Robynson, custumaris, haid of the townys ix firlottis and iij pekis, the quhylkis thai sal delyuer at thair wscha of the ternys or ellis for ilk firlot at wantis ij s. and vi d. for the pekis.

16 January 1468.

- The inquest and the nychtburis ordanyt that quhat nychtbur that

rasettis playaris at the dyss, other hasart or rafell, in hys hows, other nycht or day, thar sal be tan of that man that aw the hows v s., but fawar, to the bryg werk. Players at the dice.

10 April 1469.

The quhilk day, with consent and assent of the balyais and the court and the hall commonite, thair present, has chossyng and maid borow clerkis Thomas Yong and Wilyam Smayll coniunctly and seuerally, bath as ane and ane as bath, dorand the townys wyll. Burgh clerks.

25 April 1469.

The quhilk day, has tane the custum John Dawyson for xvij markis of the vsual mone of Scotlande, and this said som to be payt at four termys in the yer, be evyn portionis; and for the sayd som paying at the sayd ternys, is oblist be thair handis and cum dettouris coniunctly and seuerally, bath as ane and ane as bath, Robert Fosster and Robert Smayl, and gyf ony of the forsayd termys beis vnpayt efter the term auch days gyf it be askyt the dettouris sal reman in the tolbutth quhill the term be payt. Tack of customs.

31 July 1469.

It is to remember, the quhylk day in court abown wrytyn, and haldyn the Monunday the last day of the moneth of Julij the yer of God j^m ecce^o sexti and ix yeris, us balyais in the tym in the sayd court present and in jugment sytande John Dekyson and Wilyam Dekyson, and the commonyteis of our burchg of Peblis, with consent and assent of the sayd commoniteis, we haif set and to ferm lattyn and be this our present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattysis tyl our luffyt burgessis Thomas Yong, Wilyam Smayl, Thomas Robyson and Thomas Glado, all and hayl our landis with the pertinentis lyand and beand betwix the watteris on the south half of our sayd burchg, quhylkis is callit our Common Hauch, for all the termys of nyntene yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for a certane som of vsual mone of Scotland to us thankfully beforhand payit be the saidis Thomas, Wilyam, Thomas and Thomas, and haldis us thair of wel payit content and assythit; and of the forsayd som of mone we balyais and commonyteis gaf to the bryg wark of Twed four pondis in almus; and the Let of common haugh.

Let of common
haugh.

saydis Thomas, Wylyam, Thomas and Thomas, thair ayris executouris and assingneis, of the forsaid certan som of vsual mone thairof, dischargis quhyt-clemys for euirmar be this our present wryt in our common buk. To be baldyn and had, all and syndryoure forsaid landis of our Common Hauch, with all fredomeis commoditeis and esiemendis to the sayd land pertenant or rychtwysly may perten, endurand the sayd nynten yeris, as malar broukis on four half about or auch to brouk lelely but fraud or gyll, the entre forsuth of the saydis Thomas, Wylyam, Thomas and Thomas, in our landis of our Common Hauch, beand at the nest Mertymes efter the dat of the makyn of this wryt. And we forsuth the forsaydis balyais and commonyteis our ayris executouris assingneis, all and syndry our forsaid landis befor nemyt with the pertinentis, endurand all the termys of the forwrytyn nynten yeris, to the forsaid Thomas, Wylyam, Thomas and Thomas thair ayris executouris and assingneis, in maner form and effect as is befor wrytyn, agaynes all men and women sall warrand quhytelem and defend. Wynes the hall court, with part of namys speeyfiit: George of Elphynstoun, Wylyam of Peblis, Thomas Dekysoun elder, Mechel of Foreste, John Lyllay elder, George Dawysoun, John Haw, Patrik of Tempyll, Sandris Lokart, Gylbart Wylyam-soun, Robert Forster, Maister John the Waich, James of Loch seriand, Patrik Henrisoun seriand, Wyll Bulle, Rechart Cant, John Blaklok, and Robert Patonsoun that day suttur in court with mony other thair present.

Let of Com-
mon Struther.

The quhilk day, in court nest forsaid, the sayd balyais and nychtburis has set and to ferm lattyn to thar welbeluffyt nychtbur Sanderis Lokart and tyl hys ayris executouris and assingneis the Commoun Stroudyr fra the gat don, for all the termys of xix yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for xxxv s. of mal of the vsual mone of Scotland yerly, to be payt at twa vsual termys of the yer be evyn portiouns, that is to [say] at Mertymes in wynter and Wytsonday in summyr, to the balyais and the nychtburis or to thair common purs; and attour the sayd Sanderis Lokart sall gyf and pay in hand v yeris mall to the bryg ware of Twed to [be] dispoyny at the balyais and the nychtburis, the sayd v yeris bygan than enterand to payment termly in yeris as is forsaid. Borcht and dettouris, Thomas Dekysoun elder his hand and his gudis, and John Haw and his landis and his gudis, and the sayd Sanderis oblist to freth thaim be his hand landis and gudis. The entra forsuth of the sayd Sanderis in the sayd landis of the

Common Stroudyr beand at the nest Mertymes efter the makyu of this wryt. Common
Wynes the hal court. Struther.

Item, that ilk day in court the sayd balyais and nychtburis, in maner and form of yeris and payment makyn, has set Dawlethow to James Dawyson and to Wat Blaklok for xix yeris, for x s. of mal of the vsual mone of Scotland, to be payt at twa ternys of the yer Mertymes and Wytsonday, and sal pay in hand fyf yeris mal in lik maner and form as Sanderis Lokart pays. Plegis his land and his gudis for James Dawyson, his fader Georg Dawyson; plegis for Wat Blaklok, Wylyam Smayl his landis and his gudis. The entra at the nest Mertymes. Wytues the hal court. Let of
Dawlethow.

15 *January* 1469.

The hed court efter Yol of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn, . . .

The quhill day, we the sayd balyais and nychtburis in court present tyl haf set and to ferm lattyn, and be this our present wryt settis and to ferm lattis, to our luffit burges Thomas Smyth our ald myldamsted with the pertinentis lyand at the north sid of Dawlethow, and merchaud with the landis of our Ladis on the est sid of the ta parte and the land of Peronellis on the west sid of the tother parte, for all the ternys of xix yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for xij d. of mal be yer of vsual mone of Scotland to be payt to commoun purs and to the commonite; and the sayd Thomas sal pay fyf yeris mal befor hand, that is to say v s., and than furth yer be yer xij d. quhill the sayd xix yeris be gan; and we the forsayd balyais and commoniteis our sayd myldamsted befor nemit with the pertinentis endurand all the xix yeris to the forsayd Thomas hys ayris executouris or assingueis sall warand and defend. Wytues the hall court. Let of old
myldamstead.

30 *April* 1470.

The quhylk day, has tan the custum for a yer Gylbart Wylyamson, and sal pay for the sayd custum xvij markis and viij s. Borch and detturis for the sayd som paying, and oblyst be thair handis tham self and thair gudis, George Dawysoun for the tan half and Sanderis Lokart for the tother half, at days and ternys has hus and wont was of payment makyu. Customs.

14 May 1470.

Freedom, Besse
Wodman.

Item, that ilk day was gewyn the fredom to Besse Wodman be the request of frer John Blenk master of the Croyskyrk.

Burgess,
brigwork.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges John Lawsoun, and sal pay for hys fredom x s. to the bryg wark of Twed ; for scoty n lottyn wakyn and wardyn and the kyngis ferm paying, his awin land.

19 May 1470.

Let of Dalle-
thow.

It is to remember, the Setterday the six day of the moneth of May the yer of God m^o cccc^o sexti and x^o yeris, us, balyais in the tym Thomas Dekysoun and Wilyam Dekysoun, and the nychtburis of the burchg of Peblis, with consent and assent of the sayd nychtburis, we haf set and to ferm lattyn, and be this our present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattis, tyl our luffit burgessis Wilyam Smayl and John Morchowsoun, all and hall our landis with the pertinentis of Dallethow fra the gat don, for all the termys of nynten yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for viij s. and iiij d. of mal of vsual mone of Scotland to our comon prophet and tyl our common purss, for to be payit at twa vsual termys of the yer be evyn portionis, that is to say iiij s. and ij d. at Wytsonday in summyr and iiij s. and ij d. at Mertymes in wynttyr, and sa furth terme be terme in yer and yeris quhyll the sayd xix yeris be out ron and gan ; and the sayd Wilyam and John sal pay and gyf in hand of thair forsayd termys of xix yeris fyf yeris mallis beforhand to the town, and quhen tha fyf yeris be fullely and contynually by passyt than the saydis Wilyam and John sal enter and pay be evyn portyonis of termys has is befor nemyt on to thair termys be fulfyllit of the forsayd xix yeris

27 May 1470.

Burgess,
Venlaw.

The quhylk day, be the balyais and the nychtburis, was mad burges Sym Patonson, and sal mak for his fredom the dyk of the Wenlaw fra the tentour ryk down to the est nowk.

5 June 1470.

Item, on the fyft day of the moneth of Junii the yer abown wrytin, was

mad burgessis Wylyam of Stanus and John of Kenpon younger, and sal mak for thair fredom the dyk of the Wenlaw abon the gat fra the nowk about Dawletho to the yet. Burgesses.
Venlaw.

Item, the day abone wrytin, was mad burges Wyl Carvour that has spousyt Thomas Madour dochter, and sal pay for his fredom x s. and v s. payit in treis to the yettis of the Wenlaw and in his warkmanschep other v s. awand ; plegis George Dawysoun and his land.

19 May 1470.

Us, balyais in the tym, Thomas Dekyson and Wilyam Dekyson, with consent and assent of the nychburis, we haf set and to ferm lattyn, and be this our present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattis, to our luffit burgessis Wilyam Smayl, Sanderis Lokart, Thomas Haw, Thomas Jamson and Adam of Newby the Common Strowder fra the gat done, for all the termys of xix yeris nest and to gydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for xxx s. of mal of vsual mone of Scotland to our common prophet and tyll our common purs ; . . . and the sayd Wilyam Sanderis, Thomas, Thomas, and Adam sal pay and gyf in hand of formal of thir forsayd termys of xix yeris fyf yeris mal befor hand to the town to the bryg wark of Twed. . . . Let of Com-
mon Struther.

23 July 1470.

The quhilk day, John Clatter com in court and askyt for the luf of God at the balyais lawborowis of Mechel of Forest and his party, and than the balyais askyt at the sayd John gyf he doutyt his skath, and than the sayd John suor upon a buk the gret ayth that he doutyt his skath, and than the balyais chargyt John of Wodhaw seriand to tak lawborous of the sayd Mechel and his party, and than the said Mechel com law borch for hym self and al that he mycht let, but fraud or gyl, his hand and his gudis, that the sayd John Skatter suld be skathlas of hym and thair that he mycht let, vnder payn of law. Wytnes : George of Elphynstoun, George Dawysoun, and all the curt. Lawburrows.

15 October 1470.

Item, that day the quest ordanyt and statut that na swyn suld be haldyn Swine.

Swine. out band na fund in na manys skath, vnder payn of slachter quareuir thai may be ourtan.

Goese. Item, rych sua of ges.

After Michaelmas 1470.

Doussan. The last chossyng dowssan efter Mechelmes the yer lx°x°:—Georg of Elphynston, Wylyam of Peblis, John Madour, John Dekyson, Mechel of Forest, John Morchoson, Georg Dawyson, Rechart Cant, Wyll Smayll, Andro Folkart, John Haw, Patrik of Tempyl, James of Murlasone, Thomas Jamson, John Gybson, Hartbart of Twede, John Huscher, Rob Fosster, Andro Myller.

26 December 1470.

Altar of St.
Lawrence.

It is to remember, on Sant Stevynisday in Yole, the xxvj day of the moneth of December the yer of our Lord m°cccc°lx° and x° yeris, a discret man Sir Rychart Purdy, vicar of Pelynan and dene of the cristianite of Peblis, has resingnet and gaf stat and reale possession, with buk and chalys, at the altere of Sant Lowrans in the parysch kyrk of Peblis, tyll hys cusyng Sir Wilyam Smayl chapellan, of all and syndry anvell rentis with the pertinentis pertenaud to the chapellaury of the forsayd altere feft and fundyt be the forsayd Sir Rychert, for all the termys of the lyfe of the forsayd Sir Wilyam, the letter sele of ful and playn and fre gyft of the sayd Sir Rychert thairapon thair beand schawin, befor thir wytnes: Thomas Dekysoun, Wylyam Dekyson, balyais in the tym, John Madour of Langtown, John Dekysoun of the Smethfeld, Richart Dekysoun parisch clerk, George Dawysoun, Wilyam Smayl, Sanderis Lokart, Thom Haw, Mechel of Forest, Law Cady, Richart Cant and Robert Smayl, with other diuers and mony of the parischynaris of Peblis thair beand.

14 January 1470.

Act against
Fighting, &c.

Item, that ilk day the gud men of the quest statut and ordanyt that quhat-sumeuir thai war that barganyt and facht, in gret skath aperand and strowbelans of the town, quhat partis thai be, thai sal be had to the tollbuth, but ony requestis of ony men, and thar to raman quhil it be knowyn quhilk party is in the faut, and quha that is fundyn in the faut sal pay, but ony

fawyr, to the caussay beyond Peblis Water, x s.; and that sal be gewyn and payt or thai com out of the tollbuth gyf thai be of power, but ony plegis; and gyf thai be nocht in power that is fundyn in the faut of the bargan to pay the sayd x s. thai sal sit in the stokkis viij dayis, and syn furthwith for to be banyst the town for yer and day: And this ac for to be kept but ony requestis.

Act against
fighting, &c.

26 February 1470.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Cudbart Glassyng, and hys fredom gewyn quhyt, *pro Deo*, tyll his wyf with all consent of the hal court.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day in the court befor wrytyn, the Monunday the xxvj day of the moneth of Februarii the yer of God m^o cccc^o sexti and x yeris, George of Elphynston forspekar for Thomas Yong mad request to the balyais and the nychtburis that thai wald gyf to the sayd Thomas Yong and his ayris a housted of xvij fut of lenth and xv of bred at the est sid of Twed bryge at the Hydderland skarch, he and his ayris gewand yerly vj lad of stannys to the brig as anvel rent; and than incontinent ilke man be his awin was consentyt and grantyt thairto, bath balyais and nychtburis, and furthwith quhen the court skallit and the balyais rass Wilyam Dekyson balya passyt to the sayd land forsayd and tuk of it erd and stan and layd in the hand of the sayd Thomas Yong thair common seriand and gaf to hym and tyl his ayris heritabil stat and sessyng of the sayd land with al fredomes for euirmar, the sayd land payand yerly vj laid of stans. Thir wytnes: George of Elphynstoun, . . .

Grant of land.

20 May 1471.

Item, that ilk day, as tane the custum, at the balyais and the nychtburis, John of Rowcastell, for tene pondis of vsual moneth of Scotland to pay at twa termys, that is to say at Mertymes and Wytsonday and at al other termys gyf the town nedis; plegis hym self his hand and his gudis. And attour the balyais and the nychtburis as statut and ordanyt in playn court at the sayd John of Rowcastel, and all other that takis the custum to cum, sall outred and pay all termys befor the takyn of the sayd custum or it be set other tyl hym or ony other agayn; and gyf it fayllis at days and termys of payment makyn for the sayd custum, quhatsumeir thai be, thai sall be put in

Custom.

- Custom. the tolbutth and thar to reman quhill the latter peny be outred and payt, but ony fawur, and neur to set thaim the custum agayn.
- He Kirk. The forsayd x lib. of custum payt be the sayd John of Rowcastel to master Wylyam of Twede, in fullyllyng of payment of the stand westment of the He Kyrk, be the balyais chargis and the nychburis.

30 September 1471.

- Ale tasters. Item, that ilk day was mad al tataris: Thomas Fyldar for Dic Car, Wyll of Newby, James Alan and Rob Fyldar.
- Flesh priors. Item, that ilk day was mad flesch prysaris: Patrik Lawson for Thomas Haw, Sym Patonson, Adam Wylson for John Rechardeon, Thomas of Loch for John Alan.
- Doussan. The quhill day is chossyng the doussan be the lection of court: Georg of Elphynston, Wylyam of Peblis, John Madour, Thomas Dekyson elder, Wilyam Dekyson, George Dawyson, John Morchowson, Thomas Jamson, John of Rowcastel, George Collan, Lowre Gybson, James the Waich, Dic Smyth, Thomas Glado, Wyll Red, Gyb Wylyamson, Sanderis Lokart, Wyll Bulle, Thomas Doby, Wyll Dekyson, John Scot, Thomas Haw, Patrik Dekyson, Rob Forstair, James Lawson, John Wilyamson, James of the Ost.
- Statutes. The delyuerans and statutis of the quest :
- Wheat. Item, the sayd quest fand quhet at x s. and thairby, and the pass to be gewyn thairby.
- Malt. Item, malt at ix and viij s. and thairby, and the all to be sald for x d. the galon the best, and viij d., and better chep, gyf it be prysyt be the all tataris. And quhat scho that keppis nocht prys and brekis it efter prys and prysyng sal pay viij s.
- Malt and meal. Item, quhet, malt and mell that cummes to the markat on the Setterday to be sald, bot it sal byd xij houris; and at na furlottis na other met wechel gang quhill the samyn hour, vnder the payn of viij s.
- Goods to be sold in market. Item, it is statut that thar sal nother fysch, flesch, butter, chess, front, salt, na ytt nane other gudis that cummes in the merkat to be sald, bot it sal be present to the cors, thair to be sald; and that na man tak apon hand to hous sic lyk gudis in pregytis and skathyng of the burgh, vnder payn of

vij s. And that na man nor woman tak apon hand nother in the burgh, na yyt cumand to the burgh thair forsayd gudis to by, to ragrat agayn quhil the town be seruit, vnder the payn of viij s. and the gud chet; and gyf ony sic gudis cummes vnder nycht to be sald it sal be present on the morn to the merkat cors hal vnevmyt quhill the nychtburis of the town haf coft at thai wyll, and at nother man nor woman by innowth hous na outhous na yyt at the cors to ragrat agayn quhill the nychtburis be plessyt, vnder the payn of viij s. and that at sa is coft to be chet. Goods to be sold in market.

Item, that na mydyngis ly apon the gat langer than viij days, vnder payn of viij s. Middings.

Item, that na swyn be fundyn on the gat bot houssyt and bandyt and kept fra thair nychtburis skayth, vnder the payn of viij s. Swyne.

Item, that ilk man kep nychtburhed in yardyn, princepaly forfrunt and hedyard, vnder payn viij s. Nychburhed.

Item, it is statut that quhat women at flytis, fechtis, skanderis ony gud menyis wyffis dochterris within the burgh, thai sal be led to the four yetis of the town with the seriandis, hyngand on thar schowder ij stanyis in a irne chenyra or in a wedy. Flyting and Fighting.

20 October 1471.

It is to remember that apon the Monunday, the xx day of the moneth of October the yer of God m^o cccc^o lx^o and xj yeris, the quhilk day in the tolbuth efter thar cont makyn of the town, the balyais and the nychtburis has chossyng twa kyrk masteris, and sa furth at the hed court quhen the balyais is chossyn twa kyrk masteris to be chossyn. Kyrk masters.

20 April 1472.

The quhilk day, was mad burges John Neeoll, and hys fredom gewyn to John Morehowson abbot of vnrest in that tym; and for seotyn and lottyn wakyn and wardyng and for the kyngis ferm, plegis the said John Morehowsonis land. Burgess, Abbot of unrest.

1 June 1472.

The court of the burgh of Peblis, haldyn be the balyais, Court.

Wenlaw.

The quhilk day, has tan the Wenlaw to kep, at the balyais and the court, Gylbert Wyllyam, James Davyson, John of Wodhaw and Thomas of Loch, and thai sal haf to thair fee xx s. of the common purs and v s. of the nest mad burges eftir thair entra, and thai sal haf of ilk nychtburis and induellaris that occupyis the sayd hill i d.; and thai sal kep the sayd hill quhill Mechelmes nest to cum fra all bestis and gudis bot hors and calwys and vphald the dykyng of the sayd hill to the sayd tym, sawuand hedromys of croftis, fra the Wedynisday at evyn efter this wryt, and cuir ilke man or woman at has part of the sayd dykyng sal mak it suficiand be the sayd nyeh, and quhar it is otherwys thar sal be tan of thaim vj d. to mend it, and at na husche na entre be nocht to the sayd hyll bot at yetis; and quhatsumeuir thai that may be ourtane apon thaim that brekis the sayd dykyng thai sall be tan, but ony request, and put in the stokis xxiiij howris and mynd the skath agayn, and gyf thai be thrys takyn tharwith thai sal be banyst the town yer and day and gewyn has rabelowris to the kyngis justis; and thir four personis sal kep and huphald the sayd dikyng of the sayd hyll vnder the tensal of thair fee.

15, 17, 18 June 1472.

Cadmowr.

The quhilk day, in court, the nyehburis gaf thair lection and decretyt to kep Kadmowr to kow and kapyll, and the sayd hyll to be somyt, and principaly the ester hill fra Russelsqham est and fra the march dyk est with Cadmowr wod to kow and kapyll, and the wester hill to chep; and at na gudis sal gang apon the sayd Kadmowris bot burges gudis and wedos gudis that ar induellaris; and on the nest Wedynisday cuir ilke man to gang about the sayd Kadmowr to se thair marchys and to provyd for the gouernans of the sayd hillis. And apon the sayd Wedynisday, cumand fra the sayd hill, the nyehburis chessyt xxiiij personis to mak gouernans and statutis and to som the sayd hill, the sayd personis be the mast part apon the morn present in the tolbuth befor the balyais, and thar thai ordanyt and decretit and somyt the sayd hil, ilke burges and ilk wedo that induellis sal haf four somes, and that nane sal occupy na put ma somes than four, and quhatsumeuir thai be at has ma somes tak at his nyehthur that as nan to occupy with, and quha that kepes nocht this sal pay v s.; and at na som sall be set bot to fremen and induellaris, vnder the samyn payn; and

at ilk som sal be xij d. as for this yer to Beltan; item, of ilk som to be tan j.d. to gyf to the personis at is chossyn to kep the sayd hillis fra all gudis bot burges and wedos gudis and at nan other vnfremenis gudis gang upon the sayd [hillis.] Item, thai ordanit that kow and kapyll and all other nolt of burges or wedos sal gang as is forsayd in Russalsqham abon Kadmowr wod and fra the march dik est with al the laf of the ester hyl; and at na sehpeg gang bot on the wester hyl, vnder the pan of v s., bot mylk sehpeg, with fawir, to be mylkyt for a quhill. And attour incontinent for to provyd for the fullylyng, and thir statutis to be gonernt and kepyt as is forsayd, has chossyn the sayd personis: John Morchowson, Patrik of Tempyll, Thomas the Waich, Robert Smal, James the Waich and Patrik Kellow. Cadmowr.

17 August 1472.

The quhilk day, the balyais John Dekyson, and Wylyam Smayl, with thaim a certan of nychtburis, has mad burges John Godisbarn, and he has payt for his fredome in the price of a kyst, x s. Burgess.

5 October 1472.

The hed court efter Mechellmes haldyn be the balyais that day chossyn, Thomas Dekyson and John Madour, on the Monunday, . . . Baillies.

Flesch pryssaris: Rob Fyldar, James Alan, Wyll of Newby, John Necoll. Flesh pricers.

Al tastaris: Thomas Lawson, Wyll of Frud, Patrik Patonson, John Jacob. Ale tasters.

14 July 1473.

The quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis in the tolbutth as mad burges Alexander of Horsbruk of that ilk, and sall pay for hys fredom x s; plegis hymself and for al other chargis. Burgess.
Horsbruk.

5 November 1473.

The quhilk day, in the tolbutth at the cont, the balyeis, John Dekyson and Wilyam Dekyson, and the awditouris of nychtburis thair present, has constitut and ordanit that thair sall na stallanch siluer in tym to cum be inlowit in na manis burges siluer that sal be maid fra thin furth, and that ilke burges that is maid in tym to cum sall pay his burges siluer within viij days or ellis he sall nocht be maid. Burgess
money.

15 *November* 1473.

Burgess.

The quhilk day, was maid burges Wyll Patonson, and his fredom gewyn fre for the mariag of his wyf.

29 *January* 1473.

Land given to
St Leonard's
hospital.

The quhilk day, maister Gylbert Reryk arsdane of Glaschu, with ane inlok keye, has resingnet delyuerit and gewyn possession of the loft with the pertinentis of the west hous within the place of the landis of the osspytall lyand in the west end of the burchg of Peblis on the Northt Raw to Schyr Wilyam of Fyllop, fre but ony anvell or male paying for all the days of hys lyfi, with fre wsche and entre; and gyf the sayd Schyr Wylyam wyll byge a hous in the west syde of the landis of the said osspytall he sall haf guid wesse thairto, and quhat hous that he byggis he sall joys and occupy it quhill he lewys, and eftir hys desses cumand to the prophet of the sayde osspytall. And than attour furthwith incontinent the sayd Schyr Wilyam of Fyllop passyt to his lande lyand and beande within the landis of the saide osspytall, and thair apon that lande the [said] Sir Wylyam tak vp erde and stan and semply and purly gafe vp and resingnet fra hym and his ayris the sayd land with the pertinentis for euirmare in Wylyam Dekysonis hand balye in that tym, and than incontinent the said balye lade that erd and stan in the handis in the forsaid master Gylbert Reryk arsdane of Glaschu procuratoure to Sant Lenarde, and in the nam of pur folk for the suple and help of thaim in the sayd osspytall, herrietable stat possession and sessyng of the sayd land with the pertinentis, with all fredomes commoditeis and esiemendis to the sayd land pertenant, the sayd land payand yerly at twa termys tyll our Lady seruis of the Chapell ij s. of anvell, ande to the sayd Sir Wylyam of Fyllop hys ayris or tyll hys assigneis v s. of anvel be yer, at twa vsual termys to pay of the forsaid land. Befor thir wytnes, master Wylyam of Twede dene of the cristianite of Peblis, Sir Donkon of Durem prest of Glaschu, John Mador, Sir Wilyam Smayl, Sir John of Loch, Sir Lowrans Jonson sculmaster, Thom of Stanus, Cudbert Mulykyn, and Thom Yong clerk, with mony other in the tym.

12 *February* 1473.

The quhilk day, Wylyam of Peblis burges of that ilk, with erde and stan, has gewyn vpe and semply and purely resingnet fra hym and hys ayris for

euirmar hys forland, vnder and abon, with half wan on the southt side, lyand on the Conzhe nest the Northgat, and betwix the lafe of the said Wilyamis land on the southt sid of the ta parte and the Norgat of the north sid on the tother parte, for his saul, his wyffis saull, his barnis and princepally for all the saullis at the sayd Wylyam has had ony gudis wrangwysly of ony mannis, be bying or sellung or ony enterchangung, and for all cristyn saullis, in John Dekysonis hand balye in that tym of the sayd burchg; and than incontinent the sayd balye layd that erl and stan in the handis of maister Gylbert Reryk, procuratour constitut and made for Sant Lenardis Osspytall lyande in the west end of the burchg of Peblis, and in the nam of pur folkis for thair suple and help that is ordanyt to be in the said osspytall and in na nother place, herrietable stat possession and sessyng of the forsaid land, with all fredomes commoditeis and esiemendis to the said forland pertenant for euirmar. Befor thir witness: . . . The sayd land payand yerly tyl our Lady seruis of the Chapell xx d., at twa vsual termys in the yer, of anvell.

Foreland in the
Conzhe given
to St Leonard's
Hospital.

18 April 1474.

The quhilk day, in court, the nychtbnris has ordanyt made and decretyt that thair Commone of Cadmour sall be keypt to kow and kapyll and noit, and all schep to be put away of the sayd common fra viij days furth eftir Beltane, vnder the payn (*blank*) bath of burchg and land borderaris and other, and at the balyeis ger this be keypt.

Cadmour

18 July 1474.

The quhilk day, John Scot, Alyson his wyf, coniuclly and seueraly, with a penny, has resingnet fra thaim and thair ayris for euirmar xij d. of anvell be yer to the Haly Crois of hys land lyand in the Brygat on the North Raw betwix the landis of John Morchowsonis on the west sid of the ta parte and the land of Meryon Fressallis on the est sid of the tother parte, in John Dekysonis hand balye in that tym, and than incontinent the sayde balye layd that penny in the hand of frer Alexander Burgan assingnay to the Haly Crois and kepar to that haly place in that tym, and gaf to hym in name of the Haly Crois and to that haly place herrietabill stat possession and sessyng of the sayd xij d. of anvel be yer of the said land for euirmar, for the grace of

Land in
Brigat given
to the Holy
Cross.

Land in
Briggat. Almychty God and the Hayly Crois that the sayd John Scottis housse was kept fra byrnyng with felon fyr fra the tym furth that the haly crois was schawyng ; thir beand wytnes, John Haw, . . .

3 October 1474.

Bailies. The hed court efter Mechelmes, of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn be the balyeis chossyn that day, Thomas Dekyson and John Madour, upon the Monunday, . . .

Flesh pricers. The quhilk day, was made flesch pryssaris ; Felp Muwra, James Robyson, John of Howston and Wille Wylson.

Alc tasters. The quhilk day was mad all taystaris ; Will Patonson and for hym Adam Wilson, John Patonson and for hym Thomas Smyth, Gilbert Sculp and for hym John Wodhaw, and Pat Patonson.

The dousan. The quhilk day was chossyng the dousan :—George of Elphynston, John Dekyson, Williame Dekyson, Harbart of Twede, George Davyson, Mechel of Forest, Andro Folkart, Will Smayll, Will Bulle, Patrik of Tempyll, Robert Fosstare, Thomas Jamson, John Morchowson, Gyb Wilyamson, Huchin Morchowson, Thomas Hawle, James Davyson, Will Red, John Husscher, Thomas Glado, Robert Forstair, Dic Tonrow, Andro Myller, John Alan, Felp Muwra.

Rood service
in St Andrew
Kirk. The quhilk day, comperyt in court George of Elphynston, forspekair for Sir Williame Gybson, and askyt at the balyeis and the court to ger Thomas Yong clerk wryt in the common buk the lection and the gyft that thai had gewyn in court of befor to the sayd Sir Williame of the Rud seruis, and than the balyeis charge the said clerk to ac it as efter folowis : It is to remember that the nychtburis, with hall consent and lection, has grantyt and gewyn the Rud seruis in Sant Andros kyrk to the sayd Sir William for all the dayis of hys lyfe, he dowande ande makand sic dew seruis bath at awlter and in quere als fer as it is or may be in tym to cum of wail the prophet of the said seruis.

8 May 1475.

Schoolmaster. The quhilk day, comperyt in court Schyr Lowrans Johnson, sculmaster in that tym of the sayde burchg, and mekly besocht the balyeis and the nychtburis that thai walde wechsawf to grant and gyf to hym a seruis in Haly

Kyrk that wakis ande fallis in thair gewyn acepande the chapell, for the quhillkis he to be beisse of techyn keneng of the chylder in hys scoule quhen tym is; and than furthwith the nychtburis serste about as grantyt constitut ordanyt and gewyn thair consent and hall lection to the sayd Sir Lowrans, chepellan, to haf the fyrst seruis that wakis and fallis in thair gewyn and scoule, he beand beisse of techyn and keneng apon the childer in his scoul lat and ayr quhen tym is; and attour quhat tym it hapynis the sayde Sir Lowrans, chapellan, to be present and put in the sayd seruis of chapellanry he sall mak presentation and kep the quheyr in Sant Androis Kyrk with hys surples haly days and solempdays bath at mes and evynsang for the sayd seruis and scoul joysng for techyn and keneng of childer; and to thair appoyntmentis and condecionis to kep and fulfyl, God wyland, the said Sir Lawrans chapellan sall fulyll and kep. Wytnes the hall court.

Schoolmaster.

Item, that ilk day comperyt in court Sir Thomas of Stanus, chapellan, ande mekly besocht the balyeis and the nychtburis, sene thai hade grantyt the gyft of the fyrst seruis of chapellanry to Sir Lowrans Johnston chapellan, that thai wald wochsawfe the nest seruis thairefter folowande to grant and gyf to hym that wakis and fallis in thair gewyn, for his gud seruis makand and to mak in tym to com in thair quheyr of Sant Andros kyrk, consederande he is a nychtburis son and a sangster; and than furthwith incontinent the nychtburis was all serste about in court and euir ilke man grantyt ande gaf thair consent ande hall lection to the sayd Sir Thomas of Stanus, chapellan, to haf the seruis that nest fallis efter the gyft of the sayd Sir Lowrans that wakis and fallis in thair gewyn in haly kyrk; ande the sayd Sir Thomas makande and doande siclik dew seruis as the sayd chepellanry of seruis anseris to do, and in the quheyr with his surples at mes and evynsang to kep as efferis for the sayd seruis of chapellanry. Wynes the hall court.

Petition of a chaplain.

16 October 1475.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Robert Dekyson, and hys freddom gewyn, *pro Deo*, to Meryon Lawson in the marriage of her dochter; and for scotyng,

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was made burges John Gybson, the son of James Gybson, and hys fredom gewyn hym, *pro Deo*, be the lection of the court.

23 *October 1475.*

Burgess.
Dekyson of
Winkston.

The quhilk day, the balyeis Patrik Dekyson and Gylbert Wilyamson, with a certane of nychtburis to the nowmer of xxxv, has mad burges Williame Dekyson of Winkston, and sall pay for his fredom x.s.; plegis, Andro Folkart; and for scotyng wakyn and wardyn and for the kyngis ferme paying, plegis his faderis land in the Northgat besyd Sir Adam Fossteris land. And for the telyng and the inhabityn that he made upon the Quhit-auchis vnder Glantraiss in the yer befor, the sayd Williame sal ples content and assyth mak to the nychtburis, and neuir agayn to tell na occupy the said auchis bot with the nychtburis fauir and for the mal payande as thai and he can concorde; and that the said William is boune and oblest to kep, but fraud or gill.

13 *November 1475.*

Burgess.
Brigwork.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Wat Fylder, and sall gyf to the suple of the bryg wark the wyning of viij^{xx} of ladis of stanis and na cariage of thaim; and for all other chargis plegis George Dekysonis land in the Northgat.

Town's
wickers.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis and the nychtburis has constitut and ordanit that quhatismeuir thai be, ather man or women, seruandis or other induellaris, that scheris or cottis in tym cumyng our wekeris that growis betwix the Scottis Myl, Hennerston, Menner mouth and prensपाल about the town, quha that dois sic thyng, that is in power sal be tane of thaim an vulaw of viij s. but ony fawur; and quha other that dois sic thyng, and is nocht in power to pay the vulaw statut thairapon, sal be banist the town yer and day.

Monday after Martinmas, 1475.

Myll.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis and the awdlytouris has grantyt and gewyn to Andro Myller v mark to be alowit to hym and payt at certan termys be the pursmaster for the gret costis he mad of the bygyn of the myll.

11 *December 1475.*

Quhytauche.

The quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis present in the tolbutth,

has set and to ferm lattyn to thair lowyt burges Wilyam Dekyson of Wynkston the Quhytauche, lyand vnder Glentras, als fer and sa mekyl as pertenis to thair fredom of law and reson, accepande a fre lonyng throw the sayd auche to Glentras as efficris to the town to haf of law, for a yer to cum folowand the dat of this wryt, for x s. of mal of vsual mone of Scotland to pay to the common purs; plegis Andro Folkart. Quhytauche.

3 March 1475.

Item, it is to remember, apou the Souday the thryd day of the moneth of March the yer of Gode m^o cccc^o lx^o xv^o yeris, the quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis of the burchg of Peblis, in the parysche kyrk of the samyn, has ordanyt and charygt Sir Lowrans Jonson schulmaster to hafe tak vp and resaw a certane of anvellis be yer gewyn be ald Wilyam of Bothwell, burges in that tyn, to Sant James awter, for saul hell, as tutouris and gouernowris of the said anvellis lyand in the sayd burchg, that is to say: of the land quhelum was John Redis, xij s. and iiij d.; item, of the land of John Caris, culperis, ij s.; item of the land in the Bregat quhelum was John Forstaris, iij s.; item, of the land quhelum was John Hemmeronis, iij s.; item, of the land quhelum was John of Sellaris, ij s.; and than incontinent, in presens of the paryschyn, Gylbert Wilyamson balye at the said awter with buk and challis gaf possession and charge to Sir Lorans to do seruis and messis saying als fer as the said anvellis is of wail quhill mar cum. Item, incontinent thai mad Wilyam of Bothwell, the son was of John of Bothwele, burges, and gaf his fredom fre; the said Wilyam and his ayris quhytlemys and dischargis thaim for euir to mak ony clam na legens of the saydis anvellis or gyft bot as other nychtburis dois. Wytnes the paryschyn.

St James altar.
Schulmaster.

6 May 1476.

Item, that ilk day was made burges Thomas Yong, masson, and sal pay for hys fredom v s. in wark or siluer at the tounys wyll, the tother v s. gewyn our be the request of George of Elphynston lard of Henriston; and the sayd Thomas Yong to be a lynour. Burgess.

27 *May* 1476.

Let of mills.

The quhilk day, we balyeis, Patrik Dekyson and Gylbert Wilyamson, and the nychtburis, gaderyt in the tolbutth, with hall and fre lection we haf set and to ferme lattyn and be this present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattis all and hall our myllis and myllyngis, with thair pertinentis, of our burchg of Peblis to our welbeluffyt burges Robart Myller for all the termys of sevyn yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for fourty and fyfe markis of male of vsuale mone of Scotland to be payt tyl us and tyll our common pursis at four termys in the yer be evyn portionis, that is to say, Wytsonday, Lammes, Martymes and Candylnes; and attour gyf it hapynis us to mister or the town to be saryt for siluer or ony of thir forsaid termys cum the said Robart sall help and suple the town of mone at hys gudly power, vnskatband hym. And attour the said Robert, God willand, sall byge and make to us a wauk myll within the termes of thre yeris nest efter his entra in the said myllis and myllyngis of ouris, the quhilkis sayd thre yeris the sayd Robart sall bruk and joyss and haffe the prophet of the said wauk myll for all the termys of the said thre yeris be rone and passyt, and fra thinfurth the thre yeris gane the said wauk myll with the pertinentis cumand and beand in our awn handis to set and to joyss and to hafe the prophet thairof our self for euir. Item, the childer that sall serue in the sayd myllis sall nocht haf na tak knayfchep of na corn bot of attis, and thair sall kep ronys at thair power. And the entra of the said Robart Myllar beand at the nest Wytsonday eftir the dat of this present wryt; and we forsuth balyeis and commonyteis all and syndry our forsaid myllis and myllyngis befor nemyt, with all fredomes, commoditeis, prophetis with thair pertinentis, endurand all the termys of the forwrytten sevyn yeris, to the forsaid Robart his ayris or assingneis sall warand and defend; and for the said Robertis fulfillyn and kepyn of this assedation plegis John Madour, William Dekyson, William Bullok, Gylbert Wilyamson and Robert Forster.

Miller made
burgess.

Item, incontinent, thair mad the said Robart Myller burges, and gaf to hym his fredom fre.

10 *June* 1476.

Liners.

The quhilk day, the balyeis Patrik Dekyson and Gylbert Wilyamson, be

the commande and charge of our Souerane Lordis lettres, thai haf gaderyt the assyss of lynouris of the burgh, thair gret athis suorn, upon the gronde to lyn devid and tyll dissyde bath be lenth and be brede the landis and tenementis betwix Robert Fylder and Wilyam of Dunsyar burges of Edinburgh, the quhilk assiss all concordande as ordanit and mad the said Robert to haf all and hall the gawyll that standis betwix the said landis of the said Robertis and Wilyanis as is weteryt be the said assiss be stob and stak.

14 October 1476.

The qwhylk day, Wyllyam Anderson was chosyn common clerk and maid Common clerk.
 burges that ilk day.

17 November 1476.

The qwhylk day was mad burges Wyllyam Cade; plegis hymself and hys Burgess.
 landis and his gudis for iij^{xx} laddis of stanis.

It is to remember, the xvij day of the moneth of Nouember the yeir of Let of Homyl-
 God m cecc sewynti and vj yeiris, that Wyllyam Dickyson and Jhon Morcho-
 son, balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, with consent and assent of the hayll don.
 communitie of the said burgh, grantis ws tyll haf setting and to ferm lattyn
 and be thir present letteres and ac in ovr common buk settis and to ferm
 lattis tyll ovr weil belufyt nychtbur and burges of ovr burgh George
 Robynson ovr landis of Homylldon, for all the termis of sewyn yeiris
 next and togydder folowand the dayt of the making of the present lettres,
 for vj markis and a half yeirly of mayll of gud and vsuall mone of
 Scotland tyll ws and tyll ovr balyeis of ovr burgh and tyll ovr common
 purs yeirly, to be pait at twa vsuall termes of the yeir, that is to say,
 Witsonday and Martynmes be ewynly portionis. To be haldyn and haid all
 and hall ovr forsaid landis of Homylldon to the forsaid George Robynson and
 tyll his ayris executoris or assignais, with all fredomis commoditeis essamentis
 at tyll ovr said landis pertenant or rychtwysly may pertene in tym to cwm,
 excepad that the burges and the induellaris of ovr burgh ar fre and sall
 be fre to pull hadyr and cast turffis als oft as tham lykis upon the said landis
 of Homylldon; and we balyeis forsaid and communte gyffand and grantand
 to the forsaid George Robynson fyll power to mak rasonabyll tenandis and

Let of Homyl-
don.

wnderscedyllis als oft as it is sene speidfwll tyll hym qwhyll all the termis of sewyn yeiris be fwlllely owt ronynge and togydder by passyt, als frely as ony malar browkis or aucht to bruk on the fowr half abowt vsand and josand, but fraud or gyll, lely and trewly; the entre forsuth of the said George Robynson in the said mayln and takis at the Witsonday next efter the dat of thir present letteres, and payand the next Martynnes mayll efter. And we forsuth, forsaid balyeis and communitie and owr successoris, all and syndry owr forsaid landis of Homylton befor nemyt, endurand all the termes of the forwirtyn sewyn yeiris, to the forsaid George Robynson his ayris executoris or assignais, in maner form and effect as is be forwirtyn, aganis all men and women sall warand qwytclen and defend als fer as law wyll. In witnes of the qwhyk thyng this was done in plane cowrt, befor the balyeis befor wirtyn and the hayll communitie, in the tolbuth, day yeir beforwirtyn. The forsaid George Robynson to thir condicionis abaf wirtyn plegis for hym souerte his landis and his gudis.

3 January 1476.

Grant of house
at Tweed
Bridge.

The forsaid balyeis gaf to Bertyllmew Yong, with erd and stan, herytabyll statt and sesyng of a hows and the hows steid at the north end of the brig of Twed and on the est syd of the bryg to the said Bertyllmew Yong and tyll his ayris. The said Bertyllmew sall pay yerly and his ayris for the said hows steid vj laid of stanis to the brig werk or vj d. of syluer for the anwell of the hows steid. Befor thir witnes: Jhon Dauison, Jhon Mychelsson, Jhon Rychardson, Thom Jhonson, Thom of Geddes and other diuers.

20 January 1476.

Grant of
ground at
Castlehill.

The qwhyk day, the balyeis of the burgh of Pebblis, Wylyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchuson, passit to the west end of the said burgh, and at the est end of the Castall hyll, and at the swth end of personys hows, the said balye tuk wp erd and stan on that samyng grond and lad it in the handis of Wyll of Elphynston son wmqwhyll of Rob of Elphynston and gaf tyll hym and tyll his ayris herytabill stat and sessyng of xliiij fut of lenth, begynand at the sowth end of personis hows and met down towart Twed and the wydnes of personis hows, saffand ilk mannis rychtis, befor thir witnes. . . .

and the forsaid Wylyam of Elphynston and his ayris sall pay for the xliiij fut xviiij d. of anwell be yeir to Sant James alter in the He Kyrk of the said burgh to pray for owr Soueran Lord the Kyng and the Qwen and for the weillfor of the said burgh.

Ground at
Castlehill.

That ilk day, comperit in cowrt Jhon of Rowcastall to folow a bowrch that he fand apou Andro Ranwyk, the qwhyk com borch for hym Sanderis Lokart tyll enter hym to the next cowrt, the said Andro callit thrys and nocht enterit, than the seriand Thomas of Loch profit his atachment, than the forsaid John of Rowcastall askyt how thai suld depart has that day, the pairteis ramoffit and in agan callit, the cowrt weill awysit, Jhon Cade dempstar wardit Sanderis Lokart in a fawt, and than the balyeis chargit Thomas of Loch seriand to tak witnes with hym and pas to Sanderis Lokart and tak a stres and lat hym to borch and warn hym tyll enter Andro Ranwyk to the next cowrt as the secwnd court, and this the fryst court.

Court.
Rowcastale
and Ranwyk.

22 *January* 1476.

It is to remember and haf in mynd that apou the xxij day of the moneth of Jannar in the yeir of God m cccc sewynti and vj yeris, it is apoutyt and finaly concordit betwex Mychell of Forest, burges of Peblis, on the ta part, and Patrik Dickyson, Symon of Loch and Symon Reid his gud sonis on the tother part, in form and maner has efter folowis, that is to say, the said Mychell of Forest is bundyng and oblist be the fath and trewth of hys body, in the presens of Jhon Morchoson balye of Peblis in that tym, in the parisch kyrkyard of Sanct Andro in Peblis, that he sall neuir anly be na maner of alienation, sall na wedset hys landis nor anwel renttis within the said burgh, na the thre rudis that has lyand in the crofftis without the town of the said burgh of Peblis, fra hys forsaid thre gud sonis Patryk, Symon and Symon, for all the dayis of the said Mychellis lyf; and gyf it happynis the said Mychell to sell or anly part or all of hys landis or anwell renttis forsaid the forsaid Mychell sall warn his forsaid thre gud sonis, Patrik, Symon and Symon, befor notabyll witnes, on the spas and tym of a quarter of a yeir befor or he mak ony alienation, proforand tham befor all other to haf the said alienation les or mar gyf he ony makis, thai gyffand tharfor for sa mekyll has he analys for that tym the twa part of the just part at thai landis or anwell renttis ar worth that he analys for that tym he gyffand

Contract be-
tween Mychell
of Forest and
his gudsonis.

Contract between Mychell of Forest and his guidsonis.

tham the thrid part of the just part, but frawd or gyll; and the said Patrik, Symon and Symon ar oblist that thai sall neur analy tha landis nor anwell renttis fra the forsaid Mychellis dochteris barnis and thar rychtwys ayris; and heiratowr, gyf it happynis the said Mychell, has God forbeid it do, be ony maner of wys to brek this forsaid contract and condicion, the said Mychell is oblissit and oblissis hym to the said Patryk, Symon and Symon, his gud sonis, in the mast sekыр form of oblygation to pay to tham the som of fowrti lib. of gud and vsual mone of Scotland, but fauor, becaws of legasy left to the said Patrik, Symon and Symon, and thar wyffis, be Maryon the spows wmqwhyll of the said Mychell of Forest, has clerly is contenit in hyr testament maid tharapon, qwhyk som and gudis that was left to tham in legasy the said Patrik Symon and Symon has dischargyt the said Mychell als fer has he has in his hand, for the fauoris of this condicion befor wyrtyn, for euirmar, that thai sall neur wex nor tribyll the said Mychell in the payment of the said gudis, the said Mychell kepand the contract and pontment abuf wyrtyn, to the qwhykis the said Patrik, Symon and Symon ar oblist be the fathis of thar bodeis that thai sall kep thar kyndnes and mak hym seruic as thai awch to do to thar gud fader and brek nocht in thar defawt. Befor thir witnes; the balye Jhon Morchoson, . . .

3 February 1476.

St John's altar.

Cumperit George of Elphynston of Henriston befor the balyeis, Wylyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchoson, and the hayll comonite, gaderit at thar court in the tolbutth of the burgh of Peblis, and maid raquest for the seruice of Sant James alter in the He Kyrk of the forsaid burgh, the qwhyk alter had nocht seruice to wphald a chaplan, tharapon the said George askyt at the balyeis and comonite gyf thai thoctit it was speidfull tyll anext the malis of the Comon Struder and Dawletho to the forsaid seruice to mend it with yeirly, to pray for the balyeis and the comonite and for the weilfar of the burgh of Peblis for euirmar; and than the balyeis weill awysit and the hayll comonite thoctis was spedfull and merytabyll to be don, and grantit with hayll consent tharto, ilk man be his awn woce and neur an ganstandand, that the malys of the Common Struder and Dawletho howerinr thai may be set for mar or for les at the wyll of the town ay indurand to Sant James alter. And alswa the forsaid seruice was gyfyn to Sir Lawrence Jhonson

sculmaster of the said burgh for al the dayis of his lyf; and qwhat tym it hapynniss the forsaid service ta wac it is ordanit and seyn spedfull that the forsaid service sal be gyfyn to the mast abyll chaplan of the town, or qwhareuir he may be gottyn, at has mast knowlage to be sculmaster and to tech barnis. St John's altar.

11 *February* 1476.

The balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, John Morchison and Wylyam Dickyson, passit with the lynoris of the said burgh, that is to say, George Dauison, Sym of Loch, Thomas Yong, Wyllyam Bulle, Paton of Tempyll, Thomas Haw, Wyll Reid, Jhon Dauison, Thomas Jamson, Dic Smyth, John Car and other diuers, and lynit twa landis in the Hegat, that is to say the land of Patrik Dickyson on the west part and the land of Wat Blaclok on the est part on the tother part, the lynoris sworn on the samyng grond the gret ath that thai suld lyn met and part thai twa forsaid landis ewynly betwex the said personis, and than the forsaid lynoris fand that Walter Blaclokis land was na brader na it awch to be, nother in forland na in mydland na yit on the bak syd, and thai forsaid lynoris ordanit that Walter Blaclokis land swld stand styll as it stud and as thai fand it that day, and thus was thar deliuerans as that tym. Lining of land in the High-gait.

28 *April* 1477.

Comperit in the tollbuth of Peblis, befor Wyllyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchoson balyeis, and the hall communitie, Sir Qwyntyn Folkert chaplan, and thar in plan cowrt frely and wyfully, but ony pley compellyn or exortacion of ony otheris, purly and sympylly, rasignit and gaf vp al rychtis possessyon entermettyng and clem qwhyk he haid or mycht haf to the chaplanry of Geddes Ille in the Pariss Kyrk of Peblis be ony resignacion or gyffyn owr of wmqwhyll master Jhon the Wach, last possessor tharof, maid in the handis of the balyeis of the said burgh of tym bygan, and tuk hym allvtraly to stand and byd, but ony exception, at the fauoris of the forsaid balyeis and communitie patronis of the said service than wacand in thar handis be the deces of the said wmqwhyll master Jhon the Wach; and than the balyeis and the communitie at lenth ryply awysit with an consent fwllely and planly grantyt and gayf the said service and chaplanry frely to the said Sir Qwyntyn Folkart and conducit hym for a yeir efter the tenor of the feft- Chaplanry of Geddes Aisle

Chaplainry of
Geddes Aisle.

ment; and upon the Tyssday, the morn efter, the forsaid balyeis passit to the alter of the said Ille, and gaf to the forsaid Sir Qwhyntyn reall actuall and corporall possession of the said chaplanry with the pertinentis, be buk chalysse westment and other anormentis that laugit tharto. Befor thir witnes: the Deyn, master Wyllyam of Twede, . . .

1477.

Power given to
Thomas Doby
to sell his land.

It is to remember, the yair of God m^o ecce sewynti and vij yeris, that Thomas Doby, burges of Peblis, comperit befor the balyeis of the said burgh at thre diuers cowrtis and compleneyit and maid manifest befor tham his gret necessite, and he proforit his land and tenement to sell to the nerast of his awn kyn and lawchfull ayris tyll hym, sayand and proforand tham befor all other gyff thai wald redem that land or fynd hym his mysteris qwhylk that stud hym in gret necessite and fawt of his lewyng, as he that was an awld man and mycht nocht labor; and the said Thomas maid this profor at thre cowrtis, and at the ferd cowrt the balyeis and the communitie weill awysyt delyuerit and proclomit at the markat cors that the said Thomas Doby, for fawt of his lewyng, mycht sell wedset or analy his land gyf he ony haid, or his rycht, of ony land or possessionis tyll ony man that wald support hym tharfor als fer as law wald; and heirapon the said Thomas askyt ane ac and rolment of the cowrt, the qwhyilk was grantit hym be the hall cowrt.

17 November 1477.

Let of portion
of Cadmowr.

The balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, Patrik Dickyson and Thomas Haw, and the hayll communitie in the tolbuth togydder gadderit, with hayll consent and assent be the mast part, as lent to Sir Wyllyam Gybson chaplan a certan of Cadmowr to the wall of iijj akryis for vij yeiris termes, and the forsaid Sir Wyllyam sall keip the qwer in Sant Androis Kyrk and mak gud service tharfor, and this the nychtboris thocted spedfull to be don.

8 February 1478.

Andro Morchoson
and his
goods.

The quhylk day abon wirtyn, master Wyllyam of Twede, tutour and owrsear to Andro Morchoson, deliuerit the said Andro Morchoson and his gudis in the kepyn of John Scot qwhyll the child com to lawfull eld, and

than the said Jhon Scot was bwndyn to the sayd master Wylyam to deliuer the child his gudis and ayschip agan sicylk as he rasauit or the part of tham qwhen the child askyt, and this was dou at the for yeit of the said Andro Morchosonis efter that he tuk sesing ; befor the witnes abon wirtyn.

AndroMurchoson and his goods.

15 February 1478.

The qwhylyk day, master Wilyam of Twede, deyn of Peblis, comperit in the tolbutth of the said burgh befor the balyeis and the communitie, in the nam and on the behalf of Sir Wilyam Gybson chaplan that tym at the Rud alter in the paris kyrk of Sant Andro, and the said master Wylyam of Twede rycht humlely maid protestation and raquerit the balyeis and the communitie for a lessens to the said Sir Wylyam Gybson, chaplan of the said seruice, for the spass and termes of fowr yeiris next folowand, that he mycht leif a chaplan in his sted to mak seruice sufficiand as efferit, becaus that the said Sir Wilyam bowuit and schup to trawall in other contreis to scullis, the qwhilk chaplan suld be Sir Gilbert Jamson, and the said Sir Gilbert suld enter to the seruice and present dayly the alter qwhen he is dessposit as efferis, and becaus the said Sir Gilbert Jamson had a seruice qwhyll the next Mertynnes he sall nocht ta na rasaff na fruttis belangand to the said alter qwhyll the Witsunday cwm a yeir efter ; and now in the meyntym fra this dayt qwhyll the next Witsunday the said Sir Wylyam Gybson, becaus of his trawall, sall disspou and tak that termis mayll and na mar ; and fra the next Witsunday qwhyll the next Mertynnes that half yeris fruttis sall be tan vp be the consall of the town and put to the reparation of the said alter in qwhat thingis that is mast speidfull to the alter ; and gyf it it happynis that the said Sir Gylbart falyeis and makis nocht sufficiand seruice as efferis the balyeis and the communitie sall disspou apon the seruice as plessis tham ; and geff it happynis that the said Sir Wylyam Gybson that God wesy hym and decessis in the menetym the balyeis and the communitie sall desspon and put to the seruice qwhat chaplan that plessis tham best ; and gef it happynis the said Sir Wylyam Gybson to cwm ham agan within the termis of fowr yeris, or at the fowr yeiris end or neir tharby, he sall enter tyll his seruice agan withowtyn ony pley or demand of ony person ; and this lessence was geffyn be award of the ball cowrt.

Chaplainry of the hood altar.

13 *March* 1478.

Goods sold.

Jhonet the wyf of wmqwhyll Wyll Mowat as sawld and deliuerit to James Robynson, for fawlt and gert necessite of hir leffing, a met almery, a wechell almery, a cuch bed, burd and trestis, a pot, a brew caldrion, the peralyng of the haw, a nap sek and a cruk ; befor thir witnes : Jhon Morchoson, Jhon Dauison, Jhon Patonson, Wyll of Frud, Thomas of Loch and Wyll Anderson.

21 *April* 1479.

Let of mills.

The quhylk day, Jhon Dickeson and Wylyam Dickeson balyeis in the burgh of Peblis, with consent and assent of the hayll communitie of the said burgh, as set and to mayll lattyn all and hayll our mylnis and myllingis of our said burgh to Robyn Mylnar, for all the dayis and termes of fyve yeris next and togydder folowand the dat of thir present lettres, for fourty and fyve markis of gud and vsuall mone of Scotland yerly to ws or tyll our tressurar to be payit at four termes in the yer Beltane, Lammes, Alhallomes and Candillmes be ewyn portionis, of the qwhylk sown the said Robert as payit to ws in our mister xxv markis of formal

21 *July* 1479.Inquest
Annual.

The qwhylk day, the balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, Jhon Dickyson and Wylyam Dickyson balyeis in that tym, and diuers nychtbouris of the said burgh, passit to the land and tenement of Robyn Mylnaris lyand at the north end of the bryg of Peblis betwex the land of wmqwhyll Rychard Cant on the west sid on a part and the land of Thomas of Mortown on the est sid on ane other part ; and apon the dwrthreswald the forsaid balyeis sat down and held a fermit cowrt twichand the rychtis rycht and possession becaus of a borch of freth fors fwdyn and causit be Thomas Wyly of Bonyntown for a certan of annual of that forsaid land awand to hym yeirly be the succession of Rychard Cant, that is to say, xij s. and vj d. as he alleggit, and than the balyeis gert call certan nychtbouris and causit diligently ane leill inquisicion to pas tharapon, that is to say the personis vnderwrityn: Thomas Dickyson, George Dauison, Gylbart Wylyamson, Jhon Dauison, James Gybson, Thomas the Wache, Rob Forfar, John Wylyamson, Archbald Percle, James Dauison,

Rob Dickyson and Thomas Haw, the qwhyk inquisicioin sworn be thair gret athtis the Haly Wangell twichit, passit awysitly decretit decernit and delyuerit that the said land awch na mar to Thomas Wyly bot xij s. of annuall be yeir, and fand his borch of nan wayll; and than comperit master Archbald Dickyson and askyt at the balyeis that thai wald caus the clerk to ac that deliuerans in the common buk on hys expensis.

Inquest
Annual.

17 *January* 1479.

The heid cowrt efter Yoll of the burgh of Peblis, halding be the balyeis of that ilk, Georgis of Elphinston, Harbart of Twede and Patrik Dickyson, the xvij day of the moneth of Januar the yeir of God m^o cccc^o lxxix yeiris. The qwhyk day was geffyn and granttyt to Sir Willyam Thomson, chaplan, the seruice of the Rud alter in Sant Androis Kyrk, be award and lection of the hayll cowrt, for all the dayis of his lyf and efter the tenor of the feftment; and apou the Tissday, the morn efter, the forsaid balyeis passit to the said alter and gaf the said Sir Willyam Thomson reall actual and corporall possession of the forsaid chaplanry, with the pertenens, that is to say, landis possessionis and annuall renttis that belangis to the said seruice, and tharapon deliuerit in the handis of the said Sir Willyam Thomson buk chalis and westment and vther anormentis that was thar in that tym, befor thir witnes: Wylyam Dickyson, George Danison, Thomas Haw, Robyn Dickyson, Jhon Alane, William Anderson borow clerk in that tym, with other diuers.

Head court.
Kood altar.

19 *May* 1480.

The quhyk day, was maid burges, Wylyam Hardy for x s. qwhyk was geffyn to the byggyn of the buttis, befor the balye Jhon Dickeson and the consall of the town; plegis Martyn Bawcasky for his deweteis, scottyn, lottyn, wakyn and wardyn; and this x s. payit to the balye forsaid.

Burgess.
Buttis.

28 *May* 1480.

The qwhyk day was maid burges Wylyam Bell; plegis for hym, Walter Blaclok, balyeis that tym Jhon Dickyson and Wylyam Dickeson; and his fredome geffyn to the byggyn of the buttis betwex the wateris in the Common Hawch, the first buttis that euir was maid in that place.

Buttis on the
Common
Hauch.

23 July 1480.

Rood altar.

The qwhylyk day, George of Elphynstown, Harbart of Twede and Patrik Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis in that tym, with consent and assent of the hayll communitie of the said burgh, passit to the markat cors of the samyn, and thar the said balyeis, in the nam and on the behalf of the hayll communitie, haf gewyn herytable stat sesing and possession with a peny of xiiij s. and iij d. of annual be yeir to Sir Wylyam Thomson, chaplan, and to his successoris that sall sing mes and mak service at the Rood alter in Sant Androis Kyrk of Peblis in the Rood loft, to be payit yeirly at twa vsuall termes of the yeir Witsunday and Martymes in wynter be ewyn porcionis, for the qwhylyk mark of annuall as said is the forsaid balyeis and communitie byndis thar common gudis of the said burgh for tham and thar ayris yeirly to be rasit and takyn of thar common gudis, that is to say of thar mylnis mowteris and all wther possessionis, for euirmar to pray for the sawll, of the said Sir Wylyam Thomson, his faderis sawll and his moderis sawll, and for the prosperite and the weillfar of the burgh of Peblis, for the qwhylyk mark of annuall yeirly the said Sir Wylyam Thomson, chaplan, as geffyn and payit to the communitie of Peblis in thar thankis qwhen it was behuffull to the expensis of the town, twenty markis. Befor thir witnes: the forsaid balyeis; maister Wylyam of Twede, person of Glenqwham and deyn of Peblis in that tym; Sir Jhon of Loch, curat; Jhon Madur, George Dauison, Wylyam Dickeson of Winkstown, Jhon Anderson, Adam Dickeson, Jhon Huschar, Thom of Loch, seriand; Wyll Anderson, clerk; with wther diuers.

24 August 1480.

St Andrew's
Kirk.

The qwhylyk day Thomas Wyly of Bonyntown as resignet, be a peny, x schillingis of annuall be yeir of Patrik Patonsons land and tenement lyand in the burgh of Peblis, in the handis of George Elphinstown, balye of Peblis in that tym, and than incontinent the said bailie at the speciall raquest of the said Thomas Wyly deliuerit and laid that peny in the handis of Sir Wylyam of Fulop, rector of the quer in Sant Androis Kyrk, in the nam and behalf of Sant Andro, and gaf tyll hym in the nam of Sant Andro and the kyrk sesing stat and herytabill possession of the forsaid ten schillingis be yeir for ane anniuersar yeirly to be don in the said kyrk efter the

deces of the said Thomas at qwhat alter at it hapynnys the said Thomas to be erdit befor at the disposicion of the said Sir Wylyam of Fulop and the deyn as thai and thar successouris rectouris and deynnys thinkis mast expediant, for the saullis of the said Thomas his forbearis and successouris for eurmar, yeirly to be don as the day happynnys to fall ; and to gar wryt in the kalendar of the mes buk the day and the anniuersar the qwhyilkis sall reman in memorans of the samyn. And this was don befor thir witnes : Thomas Haw, Jhon Madour, Sanderis Cant, Die Mychellson, Thom Smeth, John Car culper, Andro Glado, Patrik Dickeson, Thom of Loch seriand, William Anderson clerk.

St Andrew's
Kirk.

15th October 1481.

The qwhyilk day, Jhon Dickeson and Wyllyam Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis, with the hayl consall and communitie of the said burgh, in the tol bath of the samyn at the heid court gaderit, has grantit and frely geffyn to Sir Gylbert Jamson, chaplan, the seruce and altarge of our Lade in Sant Androis Kyrk, efter the tenor of the feftment, for his gud seruce makand sic lyk as wthir chaplanis makis qwhen he is assposit ; and apou the morn efter, the said balyeis, with the men of wirschip of the town, passit to the said kyrk and at the said alter gaf the said Sir Gylbert reall and actuall possession, be buk chalis and westment and wther anormenttis that langis to the said alter ; and the said Sir Gylbert sall bruk and haf the said seruce, with all fredomis proffittis renttis and landis that pertenis to the said seruce, to dispon thairapon as is mast behufull and speidfull batht for hymself and the reparaecion of the said alter.

Our Lady
altar.

16 November 1481.

The qwhyilk day, at ten houris befor none, Robert Howeson rasinget purly and sympilly be the geffing of erd and stane to Wylyam Dickeson balye of Peblis for the tym, as the manar is of the burgh, all rychtis clame and possession the qwhyilkis he haid or mycht hawe in or to ane tenement lyand within the burgh of Peblis in the gat passand fra Peblis brig to Sant Andros Kyrk, and on the sowth sid of the samyn gat, betwex ane tenement of ane wirschipfull man master Gylbert Rerik archideyn of Glasgw on the est sid, the qwhyilk was winqwhyll Wylyam the Hayis of Mynyane, and ane

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tenement of Wylam of Geddes on the west side, as it lyes in lenth and breid, with all and sindry lyberties commodities essamentis and rychtwys and pertinens qwhatsumeuir, als weill wnder erd as abone, fra hym and hys ayris for euirmar; the qwhyk balye incontinent, be the deliuerans of erd and stan as said is, gaf herytabill stat sesing and possession of the forsaid tenement with the pertinentis tyll ane wirschipfull man Gylbert Rerik archideyn of Glasgw and his assigneis; and thaireftir incontinent the said Gilbert archideyn resignet the said tenement with the pertinentis purly and sympilly be erd and stane, in form as is abon wirtyng, in the forsaid balyeis handis; the qwhyk resignacion admittit at the speciall raquest of the said archideyn, the said Wylam Dickeson balye forsaid, be the deliuerans of erd and stane, gawe heritabill and perpetuall stat sesing and possession of the forsaid tenement with the pertinens to Sir Jhon of Loch curat, Sir Wylam of Phillop, master Archbald Dickeson, Sir Gylbart Jamson, Sir Wylam Smalle, Sir Thomas Gybson, Sir Wylam Thomson, Sir Laurence Jhonson, Sir Andro Folkart and Sir Robert Twanno, chaplanis and serwandis at the parochie alter in Sant Andros kyrk, as pleban and curat of the parochanaris and at the thre altaris of our Lade, twa in the parich kyrk and ane in the chapell within the town, alsua at the Rud altar, Sant Mychallis alter, Sant Jhon the Baptistis altar, Sant James altar, and Sant Laurence altar, and thar successoris plebanis and chaplanis serwandis at the saidis altaris in the said kyrk of Peblis, to resid and raman continually for thaim and thar successoris in the habytacion to be maid on the said grond in chameris and wther byggn for euirmar, sa at the blebane and curat haf ane of the principall forchameris of the said tenement mast ganand for the seruice of the parochanaris at thar call in tym of neid. And attour the said Gylbert archideyn resignet be erd and stan the vs occupacion profet and possession of the hall of his place at was wmqwhyll Wylam the Hayis as is abon expremit, with the ws and occupation of thre of the four lityll pantreis in the south end of the samyn and the loft abon thaim for the conseruacion of fewell, in the said balyeis handis, excepand alanerly the vs of the samyn hall to hym and his successoris, archideynis for the tym, at principall festis and qwhen it neidis thaim for thar honor; the qwhyk resignation admittit, the balye fornemyt gawe heritabyll and perpetuall stat sesing and possession of the vs occupacion and profet of the said hall pantreis and loft as said is to the saidis plebane and curat and chaplanis, seruitouris at the altaris forsaid, and thair successoris

plebanis curatis and chaplanis for euirmar, exceptand the archideynis occupation in principall festis and tymmis as said is. And fynaly the said Gylbert, archiden, constitut deput and ordanit the saidis plebane curat and chaplanis and thair successoris for euirmar to be kepparis to the archidenis place forsaid with the yard and pertinens efter his disces and the desces of his successouris aye and qwhyll the werray possesour of the archideynry be peissabyll in his possession, but pley or aduersite, be ony maner of way; and in the myd tym the profet of the said place and yard to ramane to the profet of the kepparis forsaid. All and sindry thir thingis war dou as is abon wirtyn, apon the grond of the saidis tenementtis, befor thir witnes: Wylyan of Geddes, . . .

Curate and
Chaplain of
St Andrew's
Kirk.

14 January 1481.

The qwhylk day, master Archbald Dickeson, chaplan of Sant Mychellis seruice in Sant Androis Kyrk, comperit befor the balyeis consall and the hayll communitie gaderit in the tolbutth at the heid court, and rycht humly the said master Archbald proponit and requirit the said balyeis consell and communitie that his land and tenement that lyes next Sant Mychellis land on the est sid of the samyn that the said land mycht haf interest in Sant Mychellis Wynd, and brek dur and wondow opynand apon the said wynd, with fre ische and intre vpthrow and donthrow to the Water, in the qwhylkis the balyeis answarit and said thai thocht his peticion resonabill; neuirtheles the balyeis laid the action to the inquest, in the qwhylk action the inquest delinerit and said thai thocht it wes na preiudice nor hindering nowther to the thon na yit to Sant Mychell that the said land mycht haf interes in Sant Mychellis Wynd, and brek dur and wondo opynand on the said wynd, with fre ische and intre vpthrow and down throw to the Water; and than incontinent the said balyeis consall and communitie, be a hayll election of the court, as granttyt to the said master Archbald his petition and askyn frely as is befor said, withowtyn ony demand or reuocacion in tym to cum; qwhylk ische and entre to the forsaid land as is befor said sall raman for euirmar and neur to be gansaid nor ganstanding nowther be balyeis consall nor communitie of the said burgh na thar successoris in tym to cwm; and tharapon the said master Archbald askyt at the balyeis that thai wald caus the clerk to mak ane ac thairapon, the qwhylk act suld be wyrtn in the

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common buk to reman and ber witnes of the qwhyk thingis forsaid in witnes heirof. This was don in the tolbuth at the heid of the balyeis consall and communitie as said is day yeir and place abone wirtyn.

5 June 1482.

Rud altar.
Sculmaster.

The qwhyk day, Jhon Dickeson and Wylyam Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis in that tym, with Thomas of Loch and Pat Henrison seriandis, with the consall and hayll communitie of the said burgh in the tolbuth gadderit, as granttit and geffyn, for thaim and thar successouris, the seruice of the Rud alter in Sant Androis Kyrk of the said burgh in the Rud loft, with hayll and fre alection of the hayll cowrt withowttyn ony obstakyll or demand, ilk-man be hys awn woce and nocht ane ganstandauid, to Sir Laurence Jhonson, sculmaster, for all the dayis of hys lyf. And the said consall and communitie as granttyt and geffyn to the said Sir Laurence, ilk man be his awn voce, the sculmastership of the grammar scull with all profyttis of the said scull for all the dayis of his lyf. And that ilk day the said balyeis passit to the said kyrk, and at the said Rud alter the said Jhon Dickyson gaf to the said Sir Laurence Jhonson reall actuall and corporall possession, by deliuerans of buk, chalis, and westment and wther anormenttis of the said alter, with all profittis, annuell renttis, laudis and possessionis that langis to the said seruice and alterage; and the said Sir Laurence sall mak dew seruice in the quer as efferis and kep his alter qwhen he is dissposit. And thir thingis beforasaid, batht gift and possession, was granttyt geffyn frely as is befor wirtyn, day yeir and place befor wirtyn, and befor thir witnes: Jhon Dickeson balye, and Wylyam Dickeson, Thomas Dickeson, and Thomas Dickeson of Ormstown, Jhon Madur, George Danison, Gylbart Wylyamson, Wyllyam Paterson, Jhon Paterson, Jhon of Crak, Thomas Haw, Daudi Donwethy, Jhon Scot, Daudi Robynson, Rychart Dickyson paris clerk, Patrik Dickeson, Robyn Dickeson, and Rob Dickeson, Wyllyam Dickeson of Wynkstown, Jhon Rychartson, Jhon Danison, Rychart Twnnok, Martyn Balkcasky, Walter Blaklok, Harbart of Twede, the lard of Fullech, Symon Patonson, Andro Folkart, Thom Folkart, Wylyam Bullok, Cuthbert Glassan, Rob Foster, Thom Alane, Jhon Anderson, Wyl Alane, Jhon Alane, Robyn Mylner, Thom of Mortown Jhon of Crawford, James Brydyn, with wthir diuers.

8 July 1482.

The qwhylyk day, we Jhon Dickeson and Wylyam Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis in the tym, with the consent and assent of the consall and communitie of the said burgh, we haf set to fewferm to Sir Gylbert Jamson chaplan and to Jhon Jamson his brother our Walk Myln standand on the south sid of the said buregh at the est end of Twed Grene, for all the termis and dayis of thair lyffis, and to the langar leffar of tham twa, for thre markis of annuall yeirly to be payit to the seruice of Sant Jhonis alter in the parochie kyrk of Sant Andro at twa termis in the yeir, that is to say, Witsunday and Mertynnes be ewyn portionis as efferis; the qwhylyk set of our forsaid Walk Myln, with profittis that langis thairto, we forsaid balyeis consall and communitie and our successouris to the forsaid Sir Gylbert Jamson and Jhon Jamson his brother sall warand mantein and defend. . . . And gif it happynnis that the sayd myln be owr set with fludis or spattis that the dam brek owt, or to be owr cassyn with sand, than the balyeis and the communitie sall help the said Sir Gylbert and Jhon and caus the nychtbouris to help thaim to cast or to mend the dam agan qwhen it neidis. And this was don day yeir and place abon wirtyn, befor thir witnes, the said balye. . . .

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13 October 1482.

The qwhylyk day, Patrik Dickeson and Gylbert Wilyamson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis that tym, in the tolbutth of the said burgh with the consall and hayll communitie at thar court gaderit, with a hayll alection and be award of the said court, as set the common kylle in fewferme to Jhon Rychartson burges of the said burgh; and qwhen the court was don the said balyeis passit to the said kylle on the north sid Peblis Water, with certan nychtbouris, and thar Gylbert Wilyamson balye forsaid, be the deliuerans of erd and stan, gaf to the said Jhon Rychartson and tyll his ayris herytable stat sesing and possession of the said kylle with all profittis tharof. The said Jhon Rychartson, and his ayris sall pay yeirly of annuall for the said kylle thre schilling of vsuall mone to the tresurar and to the common purs of the said burgh: and the said Jhon Rychartson and his successouris sall wphald the said kylle sufficiand in wall rybbis and in ruf, and mak dew seruice and sufficiand to serwe the nychtbouris of the said

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burgh in the drying of thar cornes, kepend euir ilkman his rowme as efferis sic lyk vs and wont as was keppit at the said kylle of befor, that is to say the drystar sall haf for ilk kyllfull tyll his seruice vj d. and his dynar with thy he mad gud seruice; and alswa the said Jhon for hym and his successouris was oblist to keip euere man his rowm at the said kylle as efferis and to defraud na personis in his defaut, but all nychtbouris and indwellaris of the said burgh to be obseruit and keipit ilk man in his rowm. Befor thir witnes Patrik Dickeson,

16 *May* 1484.

One the xvij day of Maij, the yher of God j^m iiij^c lxxxiiij, be Patrik Dikison and Gilbert Uilyamsone balyais of Peblis, with sufficient nowmer of nychtbouris to the vaill of xxxvj or may, within the toyboyth gaderit, was maid burges Thomas Bychat of the Chapelhill, na man thair present contrar hyme; and for his burges siluer he sall mak a but at the north end of the tone at the Lang Aker, and als gud as the gud toune makis the tother but; and suorne to the toune as efferis. Broch for his dewtis his hand and his land. Befor thir witness,

16 *January* 1485.

Corn mills.

The xvj day of the moneth of Januar the yeir of God j^m iiij^c lxxxv yeris, befor Johne Dikeson and Johne Mador balyais of the burgh of Peblis that tym, within the tolboyth of that ilk one the hed curt day in iugment sittand, nixt efter Youill, with an sufficiand nowmer of the best and the worthiest of the said burgh, comperit Robart Mylnar and mekly besocht the saidis balyeis and communitie tyll set tyll hym thar twa corne myllis for thre yeris to cum and he suld pay yerly to thaim thairfor fyfty merkis, and thairvpone he askit award of the curt, the said Robart ramowit, the curt awisit and wardit, the said Robart agan callit, thair opinly euere man be his awn vox nan constrenyait bot frely consentit and grantit the forsaidis twa corne millis with the pertinens to the said Robart Millar, payand thairfor yerly as vs is fifty merkis of gud and vsuall mone of Scotland of the saidis thre yeris, swa that William Alan wald gyf vp his takis and assedation the qwhilkis he haffis of the forsaidis twa corne millis and swa that he war plesit and assithit of all actions and quarellis twichand

hym the said William anentis the saidis millis; and one this wis the saidis balyais and communitie haf set the twa saidis corne myllis to the said Robart Myllar as is abone expremitt. Witnes the hayll cvrt. Corn mills.

3 April 1486.

The thrid day of Aprill the yher of j^m iiij^e lxxxvj yeris, in the heid curt efter Pas was maid burges, with the hail consent and assent of the communitie, Thomas of Rekoson, and William Bellis laud plegis for hym; and his dewitis to the guid toune, his burgis siluer, Mertyn of Baucasky and the said William Bell sall haf, and tak ane another burgis at thay ples till haf maid, and thairfor thai sall big a gud sufficiand but at the north end of the ton one the Venlaw syde betuix this and Trinite Sunday nixt to cum. Witnes the hail court. Burges.
Butts.

8 May 1488.

Thir ar the burgens maid be the balyais and the communitie of Peblis in the tym, within the Tolboith, in the curt, etc.:— Burgesses.

Item, John the Vaich for ane hundreth laidis of stanns to be laid at the brig end of Twed.

Item, Adam Smeith for twa treis gevin to the brig at the tolboith ende, and sal pay v s. at the wil of the toun; plege for his dewiteis his awne laud. Brig.

Item, John Cant and Symon Forstar for ilk ane of tham iiij^{sx} of ladis of stannys to the byggin of the Newark at the est end of Peblis. Newark.

Item, Wilyam of Twedy for ane chawder of lyn to the stepil byggin. Stepil.

Item, Adam Fyldar for viij s. worth of yrne wark to the said stepil.

Item, David Lowgh for fyf schillingis worth of wark to the said stepil byggin.

3 October 1491.

Item, that ilk day was maid burgen William of Twedy for ane chawder of lym to the stepil byggin. Stepil.

10 May 1492.

In the tolboith of Peblis, befor Mertin of Balcasky and Patrik Dikeson, balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communitie was maide burgen Patrik Govane for ane hundreth laidis of stannis pait to the stepil byggin. Stepil.

12 *November* 1492.

Stepil.

In the tolboith befor Patrik Dikesoun and William Patersoun, balyais of Peblis in the curt sittand, with consent of the communitie, was maid burges Robert Millar yonger, and sal pay thairfor to the byggin of the stepil at the Chapel gayl a chawder of lym.

The said day, Sir Thomas Gibson has gevin his compt of all sowmes of mone takyn be hym to the stepil bygin, the quhilk day restis awin to the said Sir Thomas of the kirk guddis viij li. and sex s.

Thomas Yong and Symon Lowgh grantit tham to be fowely pait be the town for forty futtis of the stepil byggin and for all other fre wark pertening thairto ony way.

William Madour, the said day, grantit hym fowely pait be the town for all stans winning and lededing of termes bygane to the said stepil, and als he grantit hym to haif rasaiffit fra Doutho Doby half a mark for saide leding.

Item, pait to Thomas Boyl be Sir Thomas Gibson for the wark pertening to the stepil xxv s.

19 *February* 1492.

Tolboith.

In the tolboith of Peblis befor Patrik Dikesoun, balyie in that tym, was maid burges Mergret of Lyntoun for a mark of siluer pait to Symoun Lowgh, masoun, for the makyn of the benkis of the tolboith.

16 *April* 1493.

Newark.

Befor Patrik Dikeson and William Paterson, balyais of Peblis in that tym, in the tolboith in the curt in iugment sittand, was maid burges John of Nesbet, and his burges siluer gevyn to Thomas Boyle for his drink siluer to the Newark at the est end of Peblis.

7 *April* 1494.

Stepil.

In the tolboith of Peblis in the heid curt, befor Robert Dikeson and William Bel, balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communitie, was maid burgen John Drawar for ten s. pait to Patrik Lawson for the thekyn of the stepil at the west end of Peblis.

6 October 1494.

In to the heid curt in the tolboith of Peblis, befor Mertin of Balcasky High Kirk. and Patrik Dikesoun, with consent of the communitie, was maid burgen Thomas Groseyr for x s. gevyn to the apperyling of the rud in the He Kirk.

14 November 1494.

The quhilk day, restis awing to Gilbert Williamsoun of lent siluer to Pursmaster. the town, fyf pundis fyf schillingis and a penny.

Item, the said day Gilbert Williamson was maid pursmaster for a yer to tak rasaif and to mak soir compt and raknyu of all commoun guddis pertening to the town.

The quhilk day, all prestis feis annuellis and dewiteis awing be the town Prestis feis, annuellis and dewiteis. of termes bygane at all completly pait and alowit to prestis and to Patrik Elphinston; and the first of the saidis common guddis at the said Gilbert sal rasaif and tak vp sal be the ten li. of the Candelmes terme nixt to cum of the twa corne millis.

Item, the said day restis awing to Thomas Boyle sevynten shillingis of Stepil. the twelf pundis that war presentit to hym to complet all the treyn wark pertening to the stepil inwith and outwith as efferis.

Item, the burromalis ar assignit to Sir Thomas of Crawford for his clerk Knok. fe and to Sir Patrik of Stanhows for his fe for the keping of the knok.

The volt of the Newark nixt Sir Thomas of Crawfordis landis set to Newark. Wilyame Fyldar til Witsunday nixt tocum for sevn schillingis. Item, the vmast loft of the said Newark is set to Georg Daidson til Witsunday for sex schillingis and aucht penyys to pay at Witsunday nixt to cum. Item, the loft and the south volt of the Newark ar set to Archibald Parkley til Witsunday nixt for ten schillingis of mayl.

17 November 1494.

Patrik Dikeson and Martin of Balcasky, balyais of Peblis, with the consent Stepyl. of the communitie, has conducit Thomas Boyle completly to werk and mak all the treyn and irne wark at is vnmaid within the stepyl of the Chapell gauil of Peblis, that is to say durris, wyndos, plantearis, loftis, clausuris, all lökkis, snekis, and al the irne wark and treyn wark nedful and behufful pertening to the said stipil, at the town sal charge hym to mak, and al of his awne expens, and he sal mak the ruf of the turngreys completly al to the

Stepyl. thekyn, and the saidis balyais and communitie sal pay to the said Thomas tharfor sex pundis of mone, and the said Thomas sal compleyt all the said wark betuix this day and the fest of the purification of our Lady nixt to cum, and of the saidis sex li. sal raman vnpart to the said Thomas fourty schillingis one to the tym at all the said wark be completit in all thingis as said is.

16 *May* 1495.

Peblis brig. Befor Patrik Dikesoun and Mertin of Balcasky, balyais of Peblis that tym, in the tolboith, with a parte of the nychtburris thar beand present, wes maid burgen George Farnle for a chawder of lym to the mendyn of Peblis brig.

25 *May* 1495.

Burgess. Tree. Befor Mertin of Balcasky and Patrik Dikeson, balyais of the burgh of Peblis in that tym, in to the tolboith in the curt in to jugement sittand, with consent of the communitie of Peblis thar being present, was maid burgen of the said burgh of Peblis David Lawry, and his burgen siluer gevyn to David Tait of the Pyrne; and thairfor the said Dauide promittit to help the town to the ledyn of ane tre and bringing of the sammyn with his oxvne to the tovne gyf he be chargit thairwith.

28 *April* 1496.

Burgesses. In the tolboith of Peblis befor Patrik Dikeson and Mertin of Balcasky, balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communitie thar present, was maid burgen Oswald Ackyn for ten schillingis to be paid to the communitie of Peblis at the nixt fest of the inuention of the Haly Crois callit Bellantym.

Stepil. Item, the said day was maid burgen Andro Patrikson for ten schillingis gevyn to the glasyn of the west wyndo of the stepil at the Chapell gawil; plege for the saidis Androis dewiteis Patrik Patriksonis berne at the Chapel gawil at the est end of the Castelhil.

16 *January* 1496.

Sanct Androis Kirk.

In to the heid court befor Patrik Dikeson and Andro Gibson, balyais of Peblis in that tym, in the tolboith of that ilk, with consent of the communitie of the burgh of Peblis thar present, was maid burgen Robert Mathoson for

ten schillingis pait to Sir Andro Tait to get hym ane surples to cum into the queir of Sanct Androis Kirk of [Pebelis] and help to syng mes and ewinsang. Sanct Androis Kirk.

2 *March* 1496.

Befor Patrik Dikesoun and Andro Gibsoun, balyais . . . was maid burgen George of Myrra for ten schillingis pait for ole to the knok. Knok.

15 *April* 1497.

In to the tolboith of Peblis befor Andro Gibson, ane of the balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of ane parte of the communitie thar present in the tym, was maid burgen William Gray, and for his burgen siluer ar bundin Robert Dikeson in the Northgait and Mertin Balcasky to mak ane but within xx^{ti} dais nixt to cum. *Dut.*

In the heid court, haldin befor Patrik Dikeson and Andro Gibson balyais burgen Thomas Pont, for ane hundreth laidis of stanis to be laid at Twed brige betuix this day and Lammes nixt to cum. *Twed brige.*

The said day, was maid burgen Patrik Clerk, talyor, for xij s. gevin to David Lough for the makyn of the Venlaw dyk. *Venlaw dyk.*

14 *February* 1497.

In to the tolboith, . . . was maid burges Kate Walwod for fyf scor of laidis of stans to be laid at Twed brige for hir burges seluer. *Twed brige.*

23 *April* 1498.

In to the heid court of Peblis, haldin in to the tolboith of that ilk, be Patrik Dikesoun, Andro Gibsoun, balyais in to that tym, als it is statut and ordanit be the balyais and communitie that thar sal be nayne of the commoun set in tym to cum that thar lyes at the north end of Peblis breg, betuix the land of Thom Forester on the west part and the breg on the est part and Peblis Water on the south part and the gait that pas to Sanct Androis kirk on the north part, and this to reman for euir. *Common ground.*

28 *November* 1498.

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buth of that ilk, the xxviiij day of the moneth of Nouember the yer of God, etc., lxxxxviiij yeris, be Andro Gibsoun, resauar of the saidis gudis, befor Mertin Balkeske and Patrik Dekison balyeis, wyth a pairt of the best of the town, the quhilk dai al thing conttit and rekonit of al termes bygane, al prestis feis and otheris of al termes bygane pait and allowit, the quhilk day Gilbert Wilyhamsoun was maid tresorar for a yer.

Item, the first of the saidis commoun gudis at the said Gilbert sal resaif sal be as followis :

In the first, fra Patrik Dekisoun of the rest of the maillis of Cadmuir of the Mertymes terme bygane, ix s.

Item, fra Arche Perkleis wyf was [of the] maillis of the new hows and of the Dame-daill of the termes bygane, xv s.

Item fra Hew Dekison of his burges siluer, x s.

Item, fra Andro Murdison for his burges siluer, x s.

Item, Thom Pount for his burges siluer, a hundreth laid of stanis to Twed brig, dettour John Patersone.

Item, John Forar for his mawth, a rud of caussay.

Item, John Robesoun [William Bulloik and William Dekisoun, R. Wilkinson, Thom Wilkinson and Rob Wilkinson, x s. each.]

Item, fra Johnne Madour of his Cadmuir maill, half a mark of the yeir bygane.

Item, Johnne Lolkart half a mark at Witsondai for the mail of the wolt.

Item, fra Sir G. Jamson ij markis of the anwaill of the termes of the yer bygane.

Item, for William Alanis land at the brig ende, yerly vj laid of stanis in the brig.

Item, a wax candel in the pane befor our Lady in body of the chapell yerly for Bertilmos Youngis land j lib. of wax.

Item, ij d. of blanch ferme for the land of the Commoun Strudder, to be paat at Sanct Androis dai at the he mes to the balyas.

Item, Thom Nicolsouns laud was xx s. of anwaill for the Commoun Strudder.

Item, xx s. of the Smythfeld of anwaill for the Commoun Struder.

Item, half a mark of anwaill of John Scottis land was yeirly to Sanct Androis pan in the queir.

Item, deliuerit to Gilbert Wilyhamsoun the dai abon writtin xx merkis of the Alhalo terme bypast of the mill maillis and his cont to gyf thairof at the nixt cont. Accounts.

Item, Sir Thomas Crawffurd hais pait al termes maillis bygan of the ester wolt and Witsounday to cum.

Item, deliuerit the self dai in gold and siluer to the said Gilbert vj s. and vj d. and Mertyn to mak rekning thairof at the nixt cont to cum.

Item, of Sir Johnne Hammsins land beyound the water of his kill, xx d. yerly.

14 February 1503.

The xiiij dai of the moneth of Februar the yer of God j^m v^c and iij yeris, Mertyne of Balkeskie and Adam of Peblis, balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, in the tolbuth of ilk wyth the hail communite gaderit, as statut and ordanit that thair salbe xxiiij of the best nyctburis of the towne chosing and sowrue to soit one aections belangand the vtelite and comoun profit to the towne, and als to soit and rasaif the cont of thair comoun guddis and to fut the samyne, the quhilkis the namys ar vnder writting, wyth consent of the balyeis :—Johne of Crak, William Bell, William Roben, John of Lintoun, Robert Dekisoun, Adan Dekisoun, Patrik Patriksoun, John of Plenderlaith, Thomas Lorimar, Thomas Wilsoun, Thomas Gibsoun, Robert Dekisoun, Adam Smyth, Alexander Scot, Patrik Gillis, Andro Gibsoun, N. Dekisoun, John Bullok, John Lokart, Stewin Robisoun, John Allane, Andro Ttedy, James Wilyhemsoun, John of Mwr, Patrik Clerk. Council chosen.

The quhilk dai, it [is] statut and ordanit be the balyeis and the gret dosone, the quhilk the namys ar abon writyn, that thair sal na comoun gud be deliuerit na gewin furth to na personis be na maner of way, nothir be the command of the balyeis na be the thesaurar, bot at thair salbe xvj personis or xij, or awch at the leist, of thir personis abone writtin, with the balyeis, for to caus the thesaurar deliuer the samyne, the quhilk personis sal subscrib the samyn wyth thair awne handis ; and als gyf thair be ony feit to ony comoun werk it salbe befor the balyeis and the dosane, and thair sal or thair part wyth ony comoun gud tak sekir souerte for the complettin of the werk. Common good.

Parisch clerk-
schip.

Master Patrik of Twedy, wecar of Dunsire, restis awand to the towne vj duchattis, for the quhilk he is oblist to bring hame betuix this and Lammes a dispensatione to ane chaplane to bruk the parisch clerkschip, wnder the pane of xij duchattis to be payit to the town but fawauris.

19 August 1506.

Corn mills.

Be it kend till all men be thir present letteres, ws William Alane and Johne Lokart, bailyeis of the burgh of Peblis, wyth consent and assent of the hail communitie of the samyn, consulie gaderit for the vtilite and common profit of our said burgh, wyth ane consent tho haf set and for mail lattyn and be thir present letteres settis and for mayl lattis tho our weil behuffit frendis Johne of Sealing, elder, and Johne Nicoll to thame twa, and to the langer leuir of thame twa, ane as baith and baith as ane, coniunctlie and seueralie, all and hail our twa corne millis and millyeris with thair sequelis and mouleris, that is to say our Ald Mil liand on the north sid our said burgh and the Rud Milne standand at the west end of our said burgh on the sowith sid the Castelhill, for all the dayes and termes of nyntene yheris nixt efter the dait of thir present letteres, and thair entre to be thairto at the fest of the Exaltatioun of the Crois callit the Rudnes in harwest [for payment of eighty merks scots yearly, the tenants upholding the mills at their own cost, having received "twa aykis and tene merkis of mone"] and thai sal cum and mak thair habitatioun in this town fra thair enteris furth at the faouris of the town; and the said John and John sal find yerlie borois to the town at the heid court efter Pais, and thai sal kep rowmys to ilk man elyk as thai ar suor be thair gret aitbis, and thai sal haif thair knaifschip as ws and wont was of befor statut be the towne, and thai sal haf thair molter to four and twenty corne, alsua gyf thair be ony that passis away fra the saidis millis wythin the town duelland wyth thair corne or wetalis, quhar euir thai mai be ourtane or gottin wit of, thai sal pay dowble molter to the millaris. And gyf it happynis that thair be strublans be seknes or deid sa lang the profit of the millis that may be gottin salbe in the townis handis and the millaris dischargit salang. . . .

1509.

Knok.

The quhilk day was maid burges William Tuedall and gyn to Sir Patrik for wle and cordis to the knok.

19 April 1511.

The heid court of the burgh of Peblis, halding in the tolbutth of that ilk be James Williamsoun and Adam Dekisoun, balyeis of the sammyn, the xix dai of the moneth of Aprill the yer of God j^m v^c and xj yeris, the quhilk day maister Johne of Houston, chaplane of Sanct Michellis alter wythin the Parisch Kirk of Peblis, collectour to ane anniuersar. . . . (This ack of renisioun, maid be master John of Houston, is express put furth at mar lenth in the court buk of ackis of the said burgh be the said clerk.)

Chaplane of
St Michellis
alter.

31 October 1531.

The communitie ordanes v. s. in tyme tocum alanerly to be gewyn to the commune clerk for the compt writing, quha cuir be thesaurar, and that the burgess siluer be drawin furth of the buk and the said thesaurar chargit thairwyth.

Treasurer.
Compt-

16 February 1550.

The euidentis pertenant to the burgh of thair commouns and vtheris thingis, copyit the xvj day of Februar the yeir of God ane thousand fif hunder and fyfye yeir to remane in memorial perpetuale.

Evidents per-
taining to the
burgh.

In the first, ane charter gevine be King James the Ferde to the burgh of Peblis, with claus in the samyn to hald courtis, punys transgressouris, creat burgessis, wyth sindry vther priuilegis in the samyn.

Item, ane charter of the infetmentis of the fredomes of the said burgh, with the propirte of Cadmur, Hammiltoun and Vinlaw, gevine be king James the Secunde.

Item, ane charter pertenyng to the toun of the bying of the boundis of the Forest.

Item, ane charter of tua akeris of Frank lande, wyth ane instrument of sesing of the samyn.

Item, ane charter of tua merkis of annuell of Sanct Leonarde land and ane instrument of sesing of the samyn.

Item, ane instrument of the fredom of the boundis of the Forest.

Item, ane discharg gevine be the Kingis grace, vnder his priue sele, of the fredome of the Forest.

Evidents per-
taining to the
burgh.

Item, ane decret geving be the lordis of consale that Cadmur pertenis to the burgh of Peblis alanerly and nocht to the larde of Gledstanis, vnder the testimoniale of the gret sele.

Item, ane instrument of sesing of xx s. of annuell rent of the Smythfeld pertenant to the toun.

Item, ane instrument of the first assedatioun of Cadmur, vnder Sir Andro Young, notare publice, subscription and signe manuale.

Item, ane instrument quhair vmquhill Thomas Lillay of Corseunnefeld declarit that he had na rycht nor entres in nor to the Vinlaw, vnder Sir Robert Peblis, notar publice, [signe] and subscription manuale, berand the dait anno a nativite Domini millesimo quadringentesimo xxvij^p

Item, ane instrument of sesing gevine be Johne Elphingstoun of the Squyarhaucht.

Item, ane instrument quhair the tenentes of Halyardis, Hundelishope, Cruxstoun, Vra, Meltoun and Marchedyk bande thamsel neuir to intromet in tym tocum with the landis of Cadmuir.

Item, ane vther instrument quhair the saidis tenentes grantit thamsel wrangusly to haif intromettit wyth the landis of Cadmuir.

Item, ane act quhair wmquhill James Gledstanis of Coklaw was monist be the officiale of Tewiotisdale that he suld nother molest trubbill nor mak impediment, be himself nor name vtheris person, the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis in the peeciabill broukin of the landis of Cadmur bot sa fer as law will.

Item, ane deliuerance of inquest geving at the Justice Arc of Peblis, halding thair the xvij day of the moneth of Februar the yeir of God ane thousand iij^e anelty and four yeiris, vnder thair selis, quhair thair faude that the communitie of Peblis was in possessioun of teling and sawing bayth of the landis of Cadmur ande Commoun Strudur and that the cornis of Corseunnefeld and Kattorsane ar thirlit to multour the xl corn to the mylnis of Peblis and roim fre.

Et ita est. Willelmus Newbye notarius publicus ac communis scriba
burgi de Peblis, sub meis signeto et subscriptione manualibus.

Ita est. WILLELMUS NEWBY, manu propria.

[And so it is. William Newbye, notary public and common clerk of the burgh of Peebles, under my sign and subscription manual.

So it is. WILLIAM NEWBY, with my own hand.]

18 February 1550.

The auchtene day of the moneth of Februare the yeir of God ane thousand fife hundredth ande sax yeiris. In the heide court, haldine in the tolboith of Peblis, be Andro Gibsoun and James Williamsoun, baillies of the samyn, it is deliuerit be ane gret inquisition chosine and sworne befor the saidis baillies and passand furth riplie ande degestlie awisit amang all vther statutis that Sir Patrik of Stanhous, chaplane and commoun writtore of the said burgh, publicke notare, sall mak ane rentale of the commoun guddis of the said burgh in ane memoriale perpetuale in parchment, yeirly to be gevine in at the compt makine of thair commoun guddis, that it may be sene and vnderstanding quhat thair commoun guddis extendis to, haifand compt thair of as efferis; quhilk rentale of the saidis commoun gudis Johnn Stoddert and James Robesoun, baillies of the said burgh of Peblis, causit me Sir William Newbye to copy and insert in this buk of sesingis to haif firme faith and confidens in tym to cum, the xvj day of Februar the yeir of God j^m v^e and fyfty yeiris.

Rental of common goods in 1506.

In the first, set thair commoun tua corn mylnis to William Bell for viij^{ss} of merkis the yeir payand thairfor

Item, set thair walk mylne, togidder wyth the lande betuix the watteris, to Robert Hesilhop for xij merkis in the yer payand thairfor

Item, the custum to Johnn Napier flescheour, payand thairfor in the yeir xvij merkis half mark.

Item, the burro malis, v merkis.

Item, Johnne Waich land outhouth the port, now Bell land, xij d. of annuell.

Item, Johnne Stewart land, xv d.

Item, Kerris barn ij s. ; the prestis ij s.

Item, Neisbit barn, now Adam Henrisoun, xij d.

Item, Sir Johnne Hannikyn land, now the Croce Kyrkis, xx d.

Item, the Smythfeild, xx s. of annuell, yerly.

Item, James Frankis land xx s. yerly, and thair xl s. ar for the Commoun Struder, and tua d. in the yeir of blanchferm for the Commoun Strudir.

Item, the Dame-daile, xvijj d. in the yeir.

Item, the Auld Kill that now Kyrkwode hes, ij s of annuell in the yeir.

Item, the wester wolt wnder the tolboith, set for viij s. in the yeir of maile.

Item, the barn that wes William Allanis, now Johnn Wilsoun, ij s. of annuell in the yeir.

Rental of com-
mon goods in
1506.

Item, the land of William Lowis nixt the Chapell ganell, ane punde of wax for the vphalding of ane wax candill in the body of our Lady chapell of annuell.

Item, the land of wmqhill John Scottis, Johne Heckfurdis yonger, vj s., and viij d for the vphalding of the wax candellis in the pane befor Sanct Andro in the queir.

Item, the land of wmqhill John Houstoun in the Croce Gait, xl d. in the yeir.

Item, John Edmond land now Scot land, xiiij s. iiij d. in the yeir.

Item, the litill hous at Tuede Brighend, vj laid of stanis in the yeir to the brig werk

Item, Robert Hesilhop kyll and stepfat, iij s. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, William Chesbohn yarde in the Auld Toun, iij s. vj d. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, William Lowis stepfat, iiij d. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, Alexander stepfat, iiij d. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, James Haldane land vj s. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, James Doucheuell bark hollis, xvj d. of annuell in the yeir.

7 June 1551.

Composition
for crimes.

Memorandum to the tovn of Peblis to tak ane compone for all thingis except thair actionis, that is to say, slauchter, murthere, raising of fyre, commonn thift, and resetting of thevis in thair thiftus dedis, revissing of women and putting of handis in the Kingis, Quenis or Governour Maieste, and tratory.¹

¹ In the register from which this entry is taken, and immediately preceding it, the following is written:—

Obitus domini Willelmi Newby prebendarii beati Michaelis Archangelii situati infra ecclesiam collegiatam Sancti Andree de Peblis qui obiit primo die mensis Septembris anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo lvi, cuius anime propicietur Deus quod opera et eius facta superscripta fuerunt autentica. Finis operis domini Willelmi Newby notarii publici et communis scribe burghi de Peblis pro tempore. [Obit of Sir William Newby prebendary of St Michael the archangel situated within the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peblis, who died on the first day of the month of September in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty one, on whose soul may God have mercy, because his acts and deeds above written were

true. End of the work of Sir William Newby, notary public and common clerk of the burgh of Pebles for the time.]

The next leaf of the volume commences thus:—
In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. Sasine facte per dominum Johannem Allane notarium publicum et communem scribam burghi de Peblis, electum, et creatum per balliuos burgenses et communitatem eiusdem post decessum quondam honorabilis viri domini Willelmi Newby, vltime scribe dicti burghi. [In the name of the Father Son and Holy Ghost, Amen Sasines made by Sir John Allane, notary public and common clerk of the burgh of Peblis, elected and made by the bailies burgesses and community of the same, after the decease of the late honorable man Sir William Newby, last clerk of the said burgh.]

5 March 1554.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, protestit that the counsall and communitie of the burgh of Peblis suld nocht consult of the actioun requirit be him of his ansuer towart (the ansuer of) the Quenis gift that he had obtenit of the landis of Quhitehauch and Carcado Bank, quhilk is ane part and pertinentis of Glentres, bot in presens of thair superiour the provest, becaus it is ane commoun actioun and that he auch to be principale and sycht thair evidentis or thai gaif thair ansuer, and gif thai did in the contrare that it hurt nocht my lord privelege, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument.

Dikson of
Winkestoun,
Quhitehauch
and Carcado
Bank.

The ansuer geving be the communitie of Johne Dikesone desyre towart the gift he hes obtenit of the landis abone writting, quhilk is ane part of Glentres and pertenis to the towne of Peblis in commonte :—

The town's
answer to
Dikson.

James Robesone, baillie, disassentis that Johne Dickesone suld haif his desyre.

Rowe Scot, baillie, disassentis and reservis the pronouncing of his vot quhill my lord cuming; and in presens of my lord, on the viij day of Aprile, the said Rowe dissassentit fra the said Johne desyre.

Johne Stodert referis him to the chartour and possessionne.

William Bell, Johne Wychtman, Thomas Peblis, Johne Cranstoun, James Gowane, James Wilson, Nicholl Wache, Andro Wychtman, Johne Napere, Thomas Grege, Mertyn Hay, Johne Wilson, William Rechartson, Thomas Dikesone, Patrik Gowane, Archibald Lowys, David Robesone, William Andersone, William Cheisholme, Arthure Johnkesone, Thomas Cauerhill, James Haldane, Johne Stensone, Patrik Newtown, Adam Hog, Johne Stensone elder, James Stensone, Dutho Robesone, Thomas Lowys, Johne Glaschen, James Murdek, Andro Robesone, Johne Lythquo, William Lowys, Andro Alexander, William Atzin, Johne Wilson textour, William Kid, William Ewmond, Thomas Andersone, Thomas Thomsonsone, Peter Schiell, William Banerman, Thomas Thorbrand, James Douthell, Thomas Patersone, Johne Fresall, James Frank, Andro Alexander younger, James Crenyeane, Thomas Tuedy, Andro Ra, Stene Greif, Johne Scot, Johne Bullo, Johne Craufurd, Thomas Watsonsone, Johne Patersone, Johne Portus elder, Robert Hoppringill, Thomas Hoppringill, James Thorbrand, Johne Hog younger, Johne Hog elder; all thir

The town's
answer
to Dikesone.

persones and nyctbouris abone writting disassentis *simpliciter* fra the petitionn and desyre of Johne Dikesoun, that he suld haif na entres to the Quenis graces gift purchest be him of the landis of Quhithauch and Carcado Bank quhilk is ane pertinentis of thair commonte of Glentres. And Johne lord Hay of Yester ratifiis and appreis this ansuer abone writting, and disassentis thairfra *simpliciter*.

Johne Dikesone, younger, referris his ansuer to the chartour; gif the tovn haif ony rycht he will stand by it.

James Tuedy disassentis thairfra and the tovn haif ane rycht.

Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, sayis at it is ane commoun weill and wald haif quit of the tovn sua thai haif ane rycht thairto.

Et ego, Joannes Allane, notarius publicus ac communis scriba dicti burgi de Peblis, supra scriptas responsiones prepositi balliuorum et communitatis antedictorum, approbo et ratifico, meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. [And I, John Allane, notary public and common clerk of the said burgh of Peblis, approve and ratify the above written answers of the provost bailies and community foresaid with my sign and subscription manual.]

Ita est. JO^{es} ALLANE, notarius publicus ad premissa,
manu propria.

8 April 1555.

Dikesone of
Winkestoun.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone protestit that he knew nocht the tovn evident and allegit chartour and desyrit to se the samin, the quhilk the baillies refusit, and that the denegatioun thairof till him suld nocht hurt his gift that he had purchest of the Quenis grace quhill he knew thair allegit title thai haif to the landis contenit in the said Johne gift, and that the persut of the Quenis rycht be na preiudice till his fredome ay and quhill he se thair rycht.

To the samin ansuerit my lord provest, baillies and communitie, that thai auch nocht to schaw na chartour nor evident to the said Johne be ressonne that he wes party and na competent juge till thame, and als that he hes hurt his fredome be ressonne that he hes purchest privat writtingnis aganis the tovn in hurt of thair commoun weill and incontrare the fidelite of his aith considering he wes ane sworne nyctbour.

Alsua, the said Johne protestit that the allegiance maid be my lord provest, baillies and counsale of Peblis, suld nocht hurt the said Johne fredome becaus the Quenis Graces precept that he hes obtenit is in generale till all and sindry havand entres thairto and nocht in speciale to the tovne, and that he is content to pretermit the Quenis tak sua the tovne haif ane rycht thairto, and that it is ignorant errour and nocht wilful, gif it be found ony, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument.

Dikesone of
Winkestoun.

The counsale chosing for commoun actiones setting forward: Robert Hoppringill, Patrik Gowane, James Wilson, Nicholl Vache, William Bell, Thomas Cauerhill, John Dikesone thesaurer, William Cheisholme, James Frank, Thomas Tuedy, Andro Wychtman, William Kid, Andro Alexander, Thomas Hoppringill, William Dikesone, James Tuely, Johne Portus, James Thorbrand, David Robesone, Robert Heislope, Arthure Johnkesone, Johne Lithquo, Thomas Peblis, John Fresale, John Wilson.

Counsale
chosing.

The counsale abone writting ordanis the baillies, accompanit with certane honest nychtbouris, pas and mak thair wechtis, baith custum and wobstaris, les and mair, equale; and to deliuer the samin to John Wilson, and caus the brethir of the craft vse thame and na vtheris, vnder the pane of forfaling of thair fredome.

Wechtis.

Sidlike, ordanis to atteiche the maltmen that duellis within the fredome of burgh to the nixt court for to mak and gif ane multer aith for the termes bygane, and fynd souerte in tyme cuning to kepe the actis maid of auld, vnder the pane of forfaling of thair fredome, or ellis to aggre with the tovne.

The maltmen.

The counsale ordanis ane of the baillies, accompanit with Robert Hoppringill, James Wilson, John Wychtman, to ryde on Pasche Monunday to set forward all besynes thai haif ado, as thair fair dayis, Gledstanis besynes, letteres of the landwart merchandice, breking of our commoun of Glentres be Winkestoun, Eschelis, and trubling maid be Johne Stodert, and all vtheris that hes faillyeit in vsing and breking of our said commoun.

Common
affairs.

The counsale ordanis tua of ilk quarter breik the laif of thair nychtbouris duelland within the fredom of burgh to the pissance of thair geir, viz., Robert Hoppringill, Patrik Gowane, for thair quarter; James Wilson, William Bell, for thair quarter; Nicholl Vache, James Tuedy, for thair quarter;

The brekaris
of the
wappyn-
schawing.

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of the
wappyn-
schawing.

Thomas Tuedy, Johne Fresall, for thair quarter; James Thorbrand and Johne Wilson, for the Auld Tovn.

Portis, dykis.

The counsale ordanis the portis and heid yaird dykis to be biggit sufficientlie incontinent.

Pette custumis.

Siclike ordanis to get the copy of the petty custummis of Edinburgh that our custummis may be vsit thairby.

My Lord
provest obliga-
tion to the
town.

The quhilk day, my lord provest is contentit with all thingis done this day be the baillies counsale and communitie, and sall stand thairby, conforme till his aith maid quhen he wes admittit provest, in all materis concernyng commoun weill presentlie and in tyme to cum, and ratifys all thingis forsaide, and thairupone the baillies counsale and communitie askit act and instrument.

22 April 1555.

Court.

The burro court of Peblis, haldyn in the tolbutth of Peblis, the xxij day of Aprile yere of God j^m v^c and lv yeris, be Rolland Scot baillie of the said burgh, the suddis callit, the court affirmit, the absentis in ane merciament, Andro Robesone, dempstare; Mongo Williamsone, Adam Gilleis, officiaris; and Sir Johne Allane, clerk.

Outland bur-
gesses absent.

The outland burgessis absentis: Patrik Thomsone, William Wache, Henry Hill, Johne Cunnyngame, Johne Scot, James Scot, William Wilson, Alexander Kirk, Thomas Gowane, Johne Robesone in Halkschawis, James Murdok, Johne Elphinstoun of Henderstoun.

Outland bur-
gesses.

The quhilk day, Patrik Thomsone, Alexander Kirk, Johne Thomsone, outland burgessis, wes warnit personalie in jugement to mak residence within the fredome of burgh, conforme to thair aith maid thairupone, betvix this and Witsunday, or ellis thai suld be dischargit of thair fredome.

Annual.

The juge ordanit George Stodert, be his awne consent, to pay termelie to Jonet Scot, relict of vniquhile maister Johne Hay, the annuell of his hous at the brig and on the Castelhill in tymes cuning offerand to the deliuer-

ance of the actis maid afore the Thre Estatis of the brynt annuellis, and failyene that the said George Stodert pay nocht termelie the said annuell, sua that he failye thairintil thre termes, the said land sall returne agane frelie to the said Jonet and hir airis, conforme to the saising geving thair-opone. Annual.

Inquisitio : William Cheisholme, Nicholl Wache, Johne Dikesone, Johne Cranstoun, Johne Stodert, Johne Fresall, Thomas Tuedy, Thomas Peblis, Johne Wichtman, Adam Hog, Patrik Newtown, Thomas Cauerhill, James Thorbrand, Johne Wilson textour, Andro Alexander, Johne Portus, William Robyn, Johne Stensone yonger, Arthure Johnekesone, Robert Hoppringill, Adam Dik. Inquest.

The quhilk day, William Kid producit the register of the testamentis within the jurisdictioun of Stobo, in the quhilk wes insert the testament of vmquhile Walter Huntare of Polmude, quhair Johne Huntare wes executour lauchfullie constitut and nominat be the mouth of the said vmquhile Walter, as wes contenit in the said vmquhile Walter testament, *ex data* xxij die mensis Julii anno Domini etc., xlix^o, apone the quhilk productioun the said William askit instrument. Huntare of Polmudes testament.

Andro Alexander younger, prolocoutour for Thomas Alexander his broder, tuk instrument that maister William Newdry, scoilmaister, confessit that he band Thome Alexander handis in way of correctioun as he allegit as his awne disciple, and continewis the rest of the bill to the nixt court. Alexander contra Newdry, schoilmaister.

3 May 1555.

Anno incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo quinto, die vero mensis Maii tertio, indictione decima tertia, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Marcelli diuina prouidentia pape secundi anno primo. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honestus et discretus vir Proclamation as to fairs and regraters.

In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-five, the third day of the month of May, the thirteenth indiction, and in the first year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our lord the Lord Marcellus the second by divine providence Pope. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared an honest and discreet man Mungo

Proclamation
as to fairs and
regraters.

Kentigernus Williamstone, officarius in hac parte supreme Domine nostre Regine Marie Scocie, specialiter constitutus per suas literas sub eius signeto leuatas, accessit ad crucem foralem burgi de Peblis et ibidem solemniter proclamauit secundum vim formam et tenorem earundem literarum duas dies nouarum nundinarum viz. *lie fair dayis* nuper erectarum in *liberam burgalem burgi* de Peblis pro omnibus et singulis mercanciis vendendis et emendis vt in confirmacione sub magno sigillo Supreme Domine nostre Regine latius continetur, viz., oues, boues, equos, pannum laneum et lyneum, latum et strictum, et omnes mercancias que vendi solent in aliquo burgo infra regnum Scocie in quibuscunque nudinis eius affixis viz. in die apostolorum Petris et Pauli et Dionisii. Necnon alias literas super *lie regratoris* secundum formam et tenorem earundem proclamauit et similiter quasdam protectiones per dictam serenissimam Reginam directas proclamauit trina vice secundum ritum et consuetudinem regni solitam in similibus ne aliqui vicini adiacenti dictum burgum de Peblis inhabitatores seu ciues eiusdem aut eorum seruitores in eorum pacifico passagio quocunque itinere scmita via solita et consueta pertinebant vexant molestant aut inueniant in temporibus futuris sub penis in huiusmodi literis et protectionibus contentis; vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis dictus Keuti-

Williamson, officer in that part of our sovereign lady Mary Queen of Scotland, specially constituted by her letters expedie under her signet, and went to the market cross of the burgh of Peebles, and there solemnly proclaimed, according to the strength form and tenor of the said letters, two new fair days lately erected within the freedom of the burgh of Peebles for the buying and selling of all kinds of merchandise, as is more fully contained in the confirmation under the great seal of our Sovereign Lady the Queen, viz., sheep, oxen, horses, woollen and linen cloth broad and narrow, and all kinds of merchandise which are wont to be sold in any burgh within the kingdom of Scotland on either of the fairs on the appointed days, viz., on the days of the apostles Peter and Paul, and of Dyonisius. As also he proclaimed certain other letters concerning regraters according to the form and tenor thereof, and likewise proclaimed three times certain protections directed from our foresaid Sovereign Lady, according to the use and wont of the kingdom observed in like cases that no neighbour adjacent to the said burgh of Peebles should vex molest or prejudice in time coming the citizens or inhabitants thereof or their servants in their peaceful passage by accustomed roads on any journey under the penalties contained in the said letters and protections; as to me notary public underwritten clearly appeared. Upon which all and sundry the said Mungo Williamson, officer in that part, specially con-

gernus Williamstone officarius in hac parte specialiter constitutus super proclamatione huiusmodi literarum et protectionum nomine et ex parte prepositi balliuorum consulum et communitatis dicti burghi de Peblis a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri et tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec apud crucem foralem dicti burghi de Peblis, horam circiter vndecimam ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem prouidis et discretis viris : Johanne Hendersone, Willelmo Vrie burgensi de Edinburgh ; Patricio Murro, Willelmo Paton in Traquair, Leonardo Robesone, Patricio Tait in Innerlethane et Thoma Scot in Aikwod, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa rogatis pariter et requisitis.

Proclamation
as to fairs and
regraters.

stituted for proclaiming the said letters and protections, in name and behalf of the provost baillies councillors and community of the said burgh of Peebles asked from me notary public subscribing one or more public instrument or instruments to be made and delivered to him. These things were done at the market cross of the said burgh of Peebles, about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written, being there present honest and discreet men : John Henderson, William Vrie burgess of Edinburgh, Patrick Murro, William Paton in Traquair, Leonard Robesone, Patrick Tait in Innerlethane and Thomas Scot in Aikwod, with divers other witnesses specially called and required to the premises.

4 May 1555.

The burro curt of Peblis, haldin in the tolbutth of that ilk, be the provest, Court. baillies, counsalle and communitie of the said burgh. . . .

Assisa : Robert Hoppringill, Johne Stodert, James Wilson, Robert Assisa. Hesilhope, Johne Dikesone, Thomas Bell, Thomas Hoppringill, Johne Stensone younger, James Frank, Johne Wychtman, Thomas Cauerhill, William Kid, Johne Wilson, Johne Fresall, Andro Alexander younger.

The quhilk day, James Stensone and Stene Greif ar chosing to collect and gadder the multure of the commoun milnis quhill Lammes day at xij houris nixt heirefter followand, and to mak just compt and payment thairof to the provest baillies counsalle and communitie of the said burgh. Maltures.

William Dikesone confessioun.

William Dikesone of Winkestoun confessit in jugement that he wald stand with the commoun weill of the tovne to fortify the samin to his vter power in all thingis, nochtwithstanding ony contrare part Johne Dikesone, his sone, wald purches in contrare the tovne or thair liberte and fredome.

6 May 1555.

Court.

The burro curt of Peblis, haldyn in the tolbuth of that ilk, be Rowe Scot baillie of Peblis.

Assisa.

Assisa: William Dikesone of Winkestoun, Johne Wychtman, Thomas Tuedy, Laurence Horsbruk, James Gowane, Andro Alexander younger, Adam Dik, James Stensone, James Haldane, Johne Portus, William Kid, Johne Cranstoun, William Cheisholme, Stene Greif, William Dikesone elder, Thomas Hoppringill, Johne Dikesone, Patrik Gowane, Robert Hoppringill, Nicholl Wache.

Brovntoun, replegiacio.

The quihilk day, Alexander Tait of Pirne, scheref deput of Selkirk, replegit Helene Brovntoun fourth of this court to the scheref court of Selkirk to be haldyn on the (*blank*) day of Maii instant and gaif his aith to do justice, and fand Thomas Tuedy souerte to do the samin in all actioun and besynes that William Cheisholme hes to say aganes hir, and the said lard souirte to releif him.

Murro burgen. Robene Hude.

The quihilk day, Robert Murro wes creat burges and mad his aith as vse is, and fand his hand and his land to do thair thingis that concernit till his aith for scotting lotting walkyng warding gud rewill keping, and to pay his burges siluer to my lord Robene Hude.

Stodert, confessio.

Johne Stodert younger, prolocutour for his fader, confessit in jugement that he tuk fra Robert Andersone and Mertin Craufurd thair spadis quha wes vsand casting of tiris at the counsale and communitie command on the Sounsyde, as ane part and pertinentis of thair commonte, and thairupone the baillie and communitie for the tyme askit instrument and act of court.

The dettis of the tovne.

The inquist ordanis all dettis and restis of comptis to be payit instantlie as may be getting in, bath of milnis, Caidmuir males, and annellis that is awand, and all dettis quhatsumeuer, to set forward the tovn besynes be the baillies and commissioneris direct thairto in Edinburgh, and ordanis the baillies to poynd thair gudis thairfor be thair officiaris.

The inquest ordanis ane kepar to be put to the Venlaw, and all cattell scheip and nolt be dischargit thairof baith nycht and day, except alanerly hors and sowkkand stirkis, and that na gudis be layit thairon nouthir scheip nor nolt vnder silence of nycht, vnder the pane of ane vnlaw; and hes ordanit Eduard Pount to be feyit and pay him for his lawbouris, auld vsit and wont, quha acceptit the said Venlaw keping and fand Joke Patersoun sourte that na thing suld gang wrang nor na cornes eting bot that he suld mend on his awne expensis.

The Venlaw,
souerte.

The inqueist ordanis the nychtbouris to pas efter the rising of court and vesity the feildis of Sonyside, quhilk is ane part and pertinentis of thair commonte of Glentres, quhilk pertenis to the liberte and fredome of thair burgh of Peblis instantlie, and to vse thair possessioun thairof vsit and wont, and ordanis all nychtbouris that takis part thairintill to be chargit be the officiaris to pas with thair baillies counsale and communitie to vesity the samin, vnder the pane of forfaling of thair fredome.

Vesityng of the
Sonysyde.

27 May 1555.

The baillies counsale and communitie ordanis ane man to be conducit to feid and pasture thair yeild nolt in thair commonte of Glentres als sone as thai may, and mak him ane ressonable fee thairfore as he and thay can aggre.

Glentres.

The burro court of Peblis, haldin in the tolbutth of that ilk, be Rolland Scot, baillie

Court.

The quhilk day, Charles Geddes protestit for the copy of the erectioun and fundatioun of the Geddes Ile, and the baillies said thai wald avise thairwith or thai gaif thair ansuer; and forthir the said Charles desyris the provest baillies counsale and communitie to vphald repair and big the Geddes Ile conforme to thair euidentis maid thairapone, and assigne ane certane day to gif him ane ansuer.

Geddes contra
the towne.

The quhilk day, William Dikesone of Winkestoun comperand in judgement disassentit fra all molestatioun or trubbling purchessing of privat writtinguis aganes the baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis towart the gift of Qubithauch, Carcado Bank at the west end of Glentars, be Johnne Dekesone his sone and apperand air, and quhatsumenery thing the said Johnne dois thairintill that he incurre na skaith thairthrow

Communitie
contra
Dikesone.

Communitas
contra
Dikesone.

nouthir in his body gudis nor heretage or fredome of the burgh, and is content to cum in the tovn will that thair be ane certane newtrale men leist suspect, to the nowmer of viij or ix persones, to consider the merchis betuix his heretaig of Winkestoun and the commonteis of Glentars for the weill of baith the partiis, and as beis concludit and decernit be the saidis viij or ix newtrale men to stand thairby in tymes cuming as can be sicklerlie deuisit with men of law, and be the tennour heirof cumis instantlie in the tovn will.

Common
ground.

The hail inqueist ordanis Andro Kirkhope bill to be fulfillit, and to gif him saying of xx futtis of the commoun ground to be ane yard for ane penny the fut of annuell yerelie, efter the rite of the burgh.

Stallanges.

The inquest ordanis the stallanges to be broking, auld vsit and wont, and ordanis ane certane of the honest men of all crauftis to breik the samin.

Nychtbouris.
Wallis.

And ordanis the nychtbouris quhen thai rise furth of court to vesy William Bannerman and Thomas Hoppringill wallis pleable betuix thame.

Scollmaister.

The hail inquest ordanis the skoil maister to be conduit for ane yere, and to mak him payment of his wages bygane, and the baillies to caus him be payit in tymes cuming half quarterlie, and to provide him ane chalmer quhair it may be getting maist conuenient togidder with the tolbutth to teche his barneis in that redis and writting Ynglis.

The tovn
actioun.

The inqueist ordanis the tane of the baillies, with the clerk, pas down to Edinburgh on Thursday, and ane dossone of honest men to pas done on Saturday be viij houris on thair awne expensis, and to get in all the money thai may, baith of milhis dettis and vtheris restis, for thair furnissing.

Louch and
Stewart in
wrag.

The inqueist findis William Louch in the wrang in takyn of Matho Bell quhingare quhen thai wer cumit fra thair play; and the maist part of the inqueist findis Andro Stewart in the wrang for stryking of William Louch quhen he tuk Matho Bell, howbeid that he wes reddand thame.

Lord Yester,
repledging.

Charles Geddes, baillie to my lord Yester, replegit James Tuedy of Frude furth of this court to his court of Oliuer Castell, and fand Thomas Peblis souerte that he suld haif justice in the said court the (*blank*) day of Junii nixt tocum, and maid his aith as vse is to do thame justice the said day, and failyene thairof to cum agane to this court, and the said Charles Geddes and James Tuedy souerte to releif the said Thomas.

The depositiones of the provis betuix Cheisholme and Thomsone: Alexander Lauder, spousit, of the age of xl yeris or thairby, sworne and admittit, deponis that Patrik Thomsone said to William Cheisholme on his baxstare within the burgh of Peblis, in the yere nixt efter the toвне wes brynt, that he bad him say that he had sauld him thre oxin and ane cow and he suld warrand him the said nolt sua he wald say he had sould thame till him, for he had doung thame in our mony mennis heidis ellis, and kennis na price thair of.

Depositions
witness.

The quhilk day, James Robesone and James Wilsone, commissionariis for the toun, hes grantit and maid thair comptis of the gudis ressaut be thaim for to rais the greit and prive seill and our Souerane Lady letteres and commissionioun amentis the commonteis, and the said commissionariis grantis thaim to haif debursit mair nor thai had in pose geving to thame be the thesaurare xxxij s. x d. the first tyme and xxxv s. at the last diet; quhilk thair wer superspendit the xvij day of May and to ansuer James Wilsone wife, to be ansuerit of malt in his absence for the said sovme quhill it be payit, and als to anster Sir Johne Allane of xj lib. that he lent to thame to gif maister Johne Hay and Sir Thomas Bathcat.

Commissioners'
expenses.

15 July 1555.

The baillies hes tane vpon hand to pay the minister and convent of the Croce Kirk the sovme of xxvj s. of the restis of thair compone.

Conventus
Sancte Crucis.

The juges ordanis the thesaurare to pay Katherine Dikesone the sovme of (*blank*) for aill and breid tane fra hir at Tuede brig mending, within terme of law, and ordanis the said sovme be justle calculat and thairefter payment to be maid.

Tuede brig.

The deliuerance of the inqueist:—Item, it is statut and ordanit that all flescheouris bring thair flesche to the mercat croce on ather syde of the gait betuix the croce and Dene gutter, and that thair blaw nane thair of nor yit let it doune nor score it vnder the pane of vij s.

Flescheouris.

Item, thair ordane all regratouris, as thair ar apprehendit, or forstakers to be pvnist conforme to the actis of parliament and panes contenit thairintill.

Regratouris
and forstakaris.

The haill inquest ordanis that na nychtbouris of the toun solist nor caus men of law to cum to procure ane aganes ane vther in tyme cuming for

Men of law.

Men of law.

quhatsumetery actioun, except it be on brevis raisit of heritage alanerlie, vnder the pane of forfaling of thair fredome for euir.

Commoun besynes.

The hail inquest ordanis the baillies to caus thair officiaris gadder in the restis of all males, annuellis, dettis, baith of Commoun Struthir, Caidmure males and milnis awand, that the samin may be reddy in the thesaurare hand to set fordwart commoun besynes thair haif ado in Edinburgh afore the lordis, and ordanis the baillies with v or sax nychtbouris eury tyme about as the counsale thinkis expedient to be ordourit for addressing of thair besynes.

Actions to be defendid.

The hail inquest ordanis the provest baillies counsale and communitie to be bound, vnder the forme of instrument to be subscriuit with thair handis that can writt and with thair handis led at the pen be the notare vnder writting that can nocht writt, to defend the caus and actioun of thair commontie dependand betuix the toun, my lord Mortoun and lord Borthik, with thair bodyis and gudis vnto the finale end and decisioun of the samin, and ordanis this to be done with all diligence.

Dikesone and the toun.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone, be his awne consent, hes dischargit him of his fredome and liberte of the burgh of Peblis and renuncit the samin, and be the tennour heirof renuncis the samin and als the compromit maid betuix him on that ane part and the provest baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis on that vther part for his awne part alanerlie in absence of his fader, becaus his men chosing for his part hes nocht tane the said mater apone thame.

And the said day my lord provest baillies counsall and communitie ar content to stand at the compromit maid betwix him and thame in the tolbutth of Edinburgh afore thair juges, and siclike at the compomit maid in the Croce Kirk nochtwithstanding the discharge of the said [compromit] maid of before, and protestit that thair part of the compromit mycht haif proceis and letteres monitoriales raisit on the said Johne be vertu of the said contract subscriuit with his hand at the Croce Kirk the xj day of July.

The said day, Johne Dikesone wes newlie creat burges, nochtwithstanding the dischargeing of his fredome of his awne consent, and maid his aith as vse is as he did of before.

29 July 1555.

The inqueist findis Besse Watsone is in the wrang in striking of Cristiane Besse Watsone. Bell with ane stop on the heid quhilk raisit ane clour thairon, and findis na blude; and thairupone Johne Wychtman askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court, and inlikemaneer John Lithquo protestit for rolment of court.

The bail inquest fyndis Charle Thomsone in the wrang for inuading of Charle Thomsone. Johne Mathosone wife in hir awne hous at vij houris at ewin, and becaus he was repugnant to gang to the tolbutth efter he wes chargit be the officeris, and ordanis the baillies to pvnis the samin induring thair will in exempill of vtheris.

And tuiching the cornes rubbing, referris the samin to the actis maid of Cornes rubbing. auld.

30 September 1555.

The burro and heid court of Peblis, haldyn in the Tolbutth of that ilk, be Heid court. ane nobill and potent lord Johne lord Hay of Yester, provest of the said burgh; James Robesone and Rowe Scot baillies. . . .

Absentes of the outland burgessis; Patrik Thomsone, William Vache, Outland bur- Henry Yule, Johne Cunyngame, Johne Scot, James Scot, William Wilsone, gesses. Alexander Kirk, Thomas Gowane, Thomas Smyth, Johne Robesone, James Murdok, Johne of Elphingstoun, Alexander Wod, Thomas Elphingstoun of Mannisland.

Electi pro balliuis fiendi: Robert Hoppingill, Johne Wychtman, James Baillies. Tuedy, Nicholl Wache, Mertyn Hay, William Cheisholme. [Opposite to the names of Robert Hoppingill and Johne Wychtman there are placed respectively thirty-five and thirty-six strokes of the pen, indicating the number of votes accorded to each. James Tuedy has one vote and the others have none. Hoppingill and Wychtman are accordingly] chosing baillies sworne and admittit.

The quhilk day, my lord provest was chosing as of before be the baillies Provost. counsle and communitte, and maid his aith thairupone, conforme to the statutis and actis of the burro lawis.

Clerk. The quhilk day, Sir Johne Allane was creat clerk to vse the office thairof lelelie and trewlie ay and quhill he be dischargit.

14 October 1555.

The kirk. The inquest ordanis the baillies and nyctbouris pas to the kirk and sycht the samin with witty men to se quhow it may be biggit, and thair-efter to conduce ane workman for to se the samin.

The briggis. The inqueist ordanis the baillies gang vesy the briggis and calsayis thairof gif thai be sufficient vphalding be the diehtaris as thai promist, and to caus thame mend all failyeis sufficient, quhilkis beand mendit to se gif thai will vphald the samin, and failylene thairof to discharge thame and cheis vtheris in thair places.

Clay hollis. And als ordanis Andro Wychtman to caus fill vp the hollis with erd or gravall quhair he tuk the clay till his kill bigging, incontinent, becaus the fludis ar cummand on hand.

Ane verray gud commoun act. Item, the haill inquest ordanis tua vesitouris to be maid and chosing perpetualie to vesy yeirlye in tyme cuming all properteis and commonteis pertenyng to the libertie and fredom of burgh at the streking of the plewis yerelie, betuix Sanct Lucas day and Mertymes, and at harrowis streking, gif ony thairof be telit be nyctbouris adiacent, that the samin may be resistit in tyme, and referris the chesing of the said vesitouris to the baillies; and to warn all thame that hes broking ony land in common gaittis or passages, baith Kirklandis, Kinglandis, Acomfeildis and Briglandis, incontinent herefter that the samin ly still in tyme cuming conforme to auld vsit and wont, as the auld merchis thairof standis, vnder the pane of dischargeing of all frenen, occupyaris of the saidis landis, that dissobeyis this statut of thair fredome and secluding of thame fra all counsale in tyme cuming.

The waches. Item, ordanis tua wechis to be maid nyctlie at the baillies devise quhill thai be forthir avisit, and ordanis thame till enter at viij houris at ewin and remane quhill iiij houris in the mornyng, vnder the pane of viij s.

The aill. Item, siclike thai ordane Johne Robesone and Eduard Dikesone to be aill cunnaris, and that all aill ourheid be maid gud and sufficient aill for iiij d. the pynt, vnder the pane of viij s. the first falt, deling of the aill the

secund falt, and stryking furth of the ers fut the thrid falt and depriving of brewing for ane yere. The all.

Item, ordanis all hempt and lynt to be removit furth of Peblis Watter to vther law placis for corrupting of the watter, vnder the pane of eschaecting of the samin to officeris, and that the officeris put away the samin, vnder the pane of depriving of thame of thair offices. Hempt and lynt.

Item, ordanis all merchandices vtouth the tovn and outland burgessis to be warnit to cum within burgh and mak thair change merchandice and residence, or ellis to be dischargit of thair fredome and liberte in tyme cuming fra the nixt heid court efter Sanct Mongo day nixt to cum. Outland burgessis and merchandis.

Item, ordanis ane of the baillies, and the commoun clerk with him, pas to Edinburgh and caus rais ane precept to heir the actioun and caus dependand before the juges in Edinburgh to proceid, and to speik with juges, membrs of court, Maister James McGill and James Patersoun, quhat is done betuix ws and my lord Mortoun. Actioun. Lord Mortoun.

The counsale chosing for this yere and sworne: My lord provest; Robert Hoppringill, John Wychtman, baillies; James Robesone, Rolland Scot, Johne Dikesone thesaurare, Robert Hesilhope, Thomas Bell, Patrik Gowane, James Wilson, William Chesholme, James Tuedy, James Frank, Thomas Cauerhill, Thomas Peblis, Johne Wilsoun textour, James Thorbrand, Niholl Vache. The counsale.

The inqueist ordanis all actis and statutis maid of ald anentis heidyardis, syde dykis, kaill, petis, tirvis, pulling of cornes and pykaris, to be ordanit be the auld actis maid of before. Acts and statutes.

30 October 1555.

Item, the inqueist ordanis four wechis to be nychtlie, enterand at viij houris, and remanand quhill iij houris in the mornyng, vnder the pane of viij s., and thai till aduerteis the baillies quhen thai enter and siclik quhen thai gang to thair beddis. Watchis.

The inqueist ordanis the teling of Hammiltoun to be referrit to the baillies, and thai to speik to my lord to se gif he will tak ane pairt thairof, for it is the hail communitie desyre and mynde it be telit. Teling of Hammiltoun.

31 October 1555.

Multureis.

Electi pro molendinis: David Robesone, William Bannerman, Robert Hesilhope, Arthur Johnkesone. [Robesone and Johnkesone, having received fourteen and eight votes respectively,] thir tua ar chosing be the baillies and communitie to collect and gadder thair multuris of the tua commoun milnis, and to ansuer the thesaurare thairof for the tyme ay as it is getting in, that he may thairwith set commoun werkis and besynes forwart, as the ordinance and deliuerance of the counsale and communitie thinkis maist conuenient and ganand for the commoun weill, for the winter quarter begynnand at Alhallo day quhill Candilmes nixt heirefter.

2 November 1555.

Scoilin: ist r.

The baillies and the hail communitie of the burgh of Peblis ordanis to ansuer maister William Newdry, scoilmaister, of thre pundis of money for the termes bygane at Mertynnes nixt tocum, and half quarterlie in tymes cuming, as the rolment of court maid the xxvij day of Maui last bypast; and thairfore oblissis him to remane and teche the scoill and barneis sufficientlie in tymes cuming, and gif it beis fundyng that he pas fra the teching of the barnes in the scoill four dayis without licence of the baillies and counsale he sall tyme his fē restand, and siclike salbe dischargit of his seruis incontinent thairefter; and this present act to be sufficient warnyng heirto in tyme cuming with consent of baith the partiis.

9 November 1555.

The compt of
commoun
gudis.

The compt of the commoun gudis of the burgh of Peblis, tane be Johne Wychtman, one of the baillies of Peblis for the tyme, in absence of my lord provest and his colleg Robert Hoppingill, and the counsale and communitie of the said burgh warnit be opping proclamatioun to cum and heir thair thesaurare, Johne Dikesone, to mak his compt as vse is. The quhilk thesaurare comperand in the tolbutth of Peblis before the said Johne Wychtman, baillie as said is, counsale and communitie of the said burgh, the ix day of Nonember the yeir of God j^mv^c and lv yeris, the said thesaurare chargit him with v^{xx}xvj li. iiij s. ix d. of the multuris of the tua commoun milnis, and with xiiij li. v s. v d. of Caidmuir malles, and with xxxiiij s. viij d. of annuellis and burges siluer, and with viij s. vj d. of stalunges, and with xij li. for the

small custumes : Summa of the haill charge is vij^{xxij} li. xij s. iij d. and discharges him with vij^{xxj} li. xvij s.; sua he is restand to the provest baillies counsale and communitie xxxv s. quhilkis the said baillie ordanis to be deliuerit to Rolland Scot, thesaurare, quha wes electit thairto the said day be the baillies counsale and communitie, togidder with the restis of Caidmur males, annuellis of Commoun Struthir and Johne Scot annuell.

The compt of
commoun
gudis.

Item, the said day, Sir Johne Allane v li. that he payit to Sir Thomas Bathcat, quhilk the baillie borrowit fra him to set thair besynes fordwart, is nocht comptit, nor yit the xxxvij s. quhilk he gaif for dailis in Leith to mend the schete of the Rude Milne with, [nor] yit is payit till him xij libris of annuell of Sanct Johne altare of termes bygane, and ordouris to pay him the samin of the reddiest of the commoun gudis and yerelic and termelie in all tymes to cum, and thairupone the said Johne desyrit act of court.

2 December 1555.

Sir Johne Wilson, vicare of Eddilstoun, collectour to vmquhile Sir Thomas Hay *dirige*, desyrit the baillies to caus poynd and strenye vmquhile Eduard Patersons land lyand within the burgh of Peblis for xiiij s. of annuell quhilk is infet for doing yerelic of the said *dirige*, and desyrit to haif payment thair of conforme to the actis maid be the Thre Estatics of the brint annuellis, and to haif the juges ansuer thairupoun, the quhilkis juges ansuerit and said thair wald consult heirapone betuix this and the heid court efter Sanct Mongo day and thairefter suld gif him ane ansuer of ratificatioun of the samin, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument.

Brint
annuellis.

The haill inqueist ordanis in tyme cuning that gif ony landis within the fredome of burgh failyeis and fallis done waist that the samin happyn to be reconist, sua the said landis being reconist happynnis to be analit, that the saidis landis be ropit at the mercat croce thre courtis, and thair till haif thame that will gif maist thairfore, providing allways that the air that hes maist rycht thairto be first seruit, gevand als mekle thairfore as ane vther; and siclike ony commoun landis of the tovn to be obseruit in like maner in tyme cuning.

Waist and
commoun
landis.

4 December 1555.

The pykaris tane vp be Robert Hoppingill and Johne Wychtman baillies, in absence my lord provest, with advise of the haill communitie :—

Pykaris.

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Isabell Myre is ane commoun pykare of kail, and was apprehendit on the thrid day of December instant vnder silence of nycht takkand away tirvis quhilk pertenit to Johne Murro in Ald Tovne, quhilk fand William Lowith souerte that scho nocht do sic thingis in tymes cuming, nor yit do ony nychtbour skaith or hurt in tyme cuming, in ony of thair gudis quahatsaneuir, nor commit na pykery, vnder the pane of xx lib., to be payit without remissioun, and banissing of the tovn, and to be brynt on the face with ane irne the first falt, and the secund falt vnder the pane of deid.

Thomas Johnstone, for the takin of ane hen in ane winling of stra furth of Robert Hoppringill, and is reput and suspectit for ane commoun [pykare] of caill, to that taking he wes apprehendit on the first day of December instant with Patrik Gowane caill quhilk he tuk furth of his yard, and siclike his wife Merioun Moffet is ane commoun pikare of fulis, and Mertyn Craufurd becom souerte for thame vnder the panes foirsaid.

Cristian Fairle, suspectit for pyking of hennis and als for takyn of ane sark fra James Stewart quhilk he tuk of hir bak quhen scho wes werand it.

Robert Murdok, ane commoun pykare and draware of corne stakkis, and siclike Jonet Hendersone his wife suspectit for the pyking of Johne Tod and Mongo Williamstone dukis quha fand Rowe Scot, souerte.

Katherine Andersone, for meill takyn furth of Johne Dikesone sellare in anno etc. 1^o to the quantite of tua pekkis, quhen his gud moder wes at the mes on the Sondag.

Johne Walter, for the trystyng of Gilbert Young, seruand to Johne Dikesone, to sell his maister stray till him and he suld gif ane pynte aill.

20 *January* 1555.

Discharging of
the outland
burgesses.

The quhilk day, my lord provest baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis product in jugement, be Mongo Williamstone and Adam Gilleis thair officiaris, ane precept dewlie execut and indorsat apone the xxvj day of the moneth of Nouember yere of God etc. lv^o, makkand mentioun that it wes humlie merit and hevelie lamentit to the saidis provest baillies counsale and communitie and vtheris nychtburis and frenen of the said burgh, that the samin burgh wes infest of auld be our Soueraene Lady and hir maist nobill progenitouris and predecessouris in fre burgh regale, with fre power liberte and facultie within the samin to haif ane mercat day wolkie on

Tuesday, with power to sell walx wyne wolling and lynning claith, braid and narrow, and all vtheris merchandice lesum, and to haif within the samin burgh baxstaris broistaris fischaris flescheouris prepararis of fische and flesche, and all vtheris craftismen belangand to ane burgh regale, and provest baillies officiaris within the said burgh for gouerning thairof till elect and cheis, and to set the burro rudis belangand to the said burgh for the weil thairof, as the saidis complenaris thinkis expedient, as at mair lenth is contenit in thair infetment maid and geving to thame thairupone vnder our Souerane Lady progenitouris greit seill, makkand mentioun that the said burgh communitie thairof and thair successouris ar infett of auld of our said Souerane Lady maist nobill progenitouris of gude mynde, quham God assoiye, in all liberteis saisingnis priuelegis and vtheris possessiones vsit be thame and thair predecessouris of before, etc.; nochtwithstanding thair is certane thair burgessis and nyctbouris, chosing and electit be thame and thair predecessouris, that vses the saidis liberteis vtouth the liberte of the said burgh, and will nocht cum and mak thair change merchandice and residence within the said burgh conforme to thair creatioun, and thairthrow vsurps our Souerane Lady lawis maid thairupone as foirstallaris, vsand pakking and peling, and euery landwart tovn vtouth the liberte of the said burgh within the sherefdom of Peblis vsis dailie change and merchandice, baith lynt tar irne woll hyde skyn beir malt meill, and thairthrow abstractis the profitis and change fra the said burgh to thair hevy dampnage and skaith, quhairthrow our Souerane Lady custumis ar defraudit and our said burgh depauperat and heriit, that na dow nocht to sustene the importabill taxationes raisit vpone thame be our Souerane Lady counsale, and the profittis quhilkis suld cum to the burgessis and merchandices of the said burgh remanis with the saidis outland burgessis and foirstallaris as said is, in hie contemptioun of our Souerane Lady lawis and hurt of our said burgh and aganes the actis of burro lawis and parliament maid thairupone, and will nocht decist and ceis thairfra without thai be compellit; at the command of the quhilk precept the saidis officieris passit warnit chargeit lauchfully summond atechit and arreistit Thomas Smyth, John Robesone in Halkschawis, Patrik Thomsone in Eltreif, Thomas Gowane in Lowyr, William Wache in Ladyurd, Johne Cunyngname in Dolphingtoun, William Murdoksonne in Drummelzeare, Henry Hill in Stratoun, James Murdok, Oswald Portus, Thomas Elphingstoun, Alexander Kirk of Tempbill, Johne Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, Johne Stodert younger, outland

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burgessis ; William Gowanlokkis, William Johsone, Thomas Welsche, Adam Redfurd, Thomas Moffet, Johne Pantosone, William Brown, Johne Vache in Kirkurd ; Dauide Hoge in Blyth, Robert Alexander, James Watsone, younger, in Lyntoun ; William Gibsone, foirstallaris and regrataris, at the mercat croce be opping proclamatioun, the saidis persones to comperere within the said burgh and mak thair merchandice change and residence within xlth dayis nixt thairefter, and failyend thair of to comperere before the provest baillies counsale and communitie, or ony tua of thame, in the tolbutth of Peblis the xx day of Januare nixt thairefter, to heir and se thame and eurilk ane of thame be decretit of court to be forfaitit of thair liberte and fredome in tymis cuming and dischargeit to vse sic change and merchandice thairefter vnder the panes contenit in the statutis of burro lawis and actis of parliament maid thairupone ; and the saidis foirstallaris and regrataris to comperere and mak thair change and residence within the liberte and fredome of burgh within xlth dayis nixt thairefter, and failyene thair of to comperere afore the saidis provest baillies counsale and communitie in the tolbutth of Peblis the said xx day of Januare to heir and se thame and eurilk ane of thame to be decernit be decretit of court to incurre the panes contenit in the saidis burro lawis and actis of parliament maid thairupone viz., vnder the pane of eschaecting of thair gudis that beis apprehendit, with ony forstalling pakking or peling, outhir hyde woll skyn, tapping or selling of lint irue tar beir malt meill in tyme cuming, the tane half to our Souerane Lady vse, the tothir half to the saidis provest baillies counsale and communitie, efter the forme and tennour of the saidis burro lawis and actis of parliament maid thairvpoun, with intimatioun as effirit, as at mair lenth is contenit in the precept direct thairupon ; at the quhilk day the saidis persones [being called failed to appear. The outland burgesses were ordained to desist from merchandice, packing and peilling, thair fredom was forfeited, and they were ordained to pay custom within burgh in tyme coming. The forestallers were decerned to desist from packing and peilling and from selling merchandice “bot within the liberte and fredome of burgh.”]

Pykaris.

The inqueist deliueris that all pykaris that hes bene delatit of before to luke the buikis and se quhat faltis thai ar delatit for, and thai to be pvnist with all rigour and banist the tovn for cuir till gif occasioun till vtheris that pykis of new till abstene, and to tak souerte for thame in tyme cuming vnder the pane of scurgyng of thame through the tovn and banissing of

thame the samine, and thai that will nocht fynd souirte to be brynt with ane irne on the cheik and thairefter banist the tovn for euir, and ordanis the maister or lardis that ressaus sic pykaris to be thair tenentis to pay in tyme cuming the skaithis and dampnages done be thame to ony nychtbour that ar plentus thairof sua the samin be manifestlie knawin. Pykaris.

The inquest ordanis to ansuer Robert Atzin, and ilk ane of the officaris, of ane ferlot of meill in this storme to help thair wiffis and barnis, providing allwayis that thai clame na possessioun thairof in tyme cuming. Officaris.

The inqueist ordanis gif ewill meill and gud meill be found in ane sek, better in the mouth thairof nor the ers, to eschaet the samin at the baillies will ; and ordanis thame to sell meill to the pure folkis in pekkis, als weil as to the riche, of siclike price as thai sell the boll, and na derrare, vnder the pane of viij s. Meill.

The inqueist ordanis that na burges be maid in tymes cuming without avise of the counsale. Making of burgeses.

30 January 1555.

The baillies and communitie of the burgh of Peblis is contentit, all with ane consent, to accept William Hay, sone and apparand air to vmquhile Johne lord Hay of Yester, quhow sone he cum to perfite age and is of knowlege to gif thame ane gud counsale, in the provestrie of the burgh of Peblis, yerle, afore ony vtheris as thai fynd him geving for commoun weil, conforme to the actis of parliament and burro lawis maid thairupone ; and in the menetyne the said William, Mr. Thomas Hay his eme, provest of Bochaus and thair frendis, to stand gud afald and kyndelie freindis with the said communitie in all lefull besynes and actiones and to set the samin forwart, and the communitie in like maner to serf the said William Hay as thai wer wont to vmquhile his fader, and till deput na president nor deput vnder him bot till vse the communitie in all thingis as his vmquhile fader vsit thame, and the saidis William and Mr. Thomas Hay his curatour discharges, be vertu of this writting, the gift purchest be the said William of the said provestrie vnder our Souerane Lady prive seill, and ordanis the samin desert and to be of nane effect in tyme cuming, and gif neid beis to gif the copy of the said gift to the saidis baillies counsale and communitie, and the said William to hurt the saidis baillies counsale and communitie in nane of thair privileges or commonteis vtherwayis nor Johne lord Hay of Yester his vmquhile fader

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communitas. did, and thairapone the said William baillies counsale and communitie. *hinc inde*, askit instrument and ordanit the extract heirof to be geving to atber of the partiis that requirit the samin.

1 February 1555.

Custommer. Andro Ra is admittit custommer quhill Candilmes day nixt to cum, to collect and gadder the small custummis of the burgh of Peblis conforme to the rite vse and consuetude of the burgh of Edinburgh, for the quhilk he sall content pay and deliuer to the baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis the soyme of xix merkis, viz, afore the chakker xv dayis xiiij merkis, and the rest at Candilmes nixt thairefter following at the ische of his tak, and fand James Wilsone, Johne Wilsone and Johne Cranstoun souerteis, coniunctlie and seueralie, for payment thairof; and the said Andro souerte for thair releif; and ordanis that na wechtis be vsit in the tovn to wey ony butter cheis woll or yarne except the custum wechtis alanerlie, and the said Andro sall vse him in the new fair dayis as ane honest man and tak custum be avise of the baillies and counsale for this yeir.

5 February 1555.

St Christofer's
altare. Sir Robert Hoip producit and deliuerit to the baillies and communitie, as patrones to Sanct Christofer altare, ane chartour of xij merkis of annuell geving be Robert Horsbruk of all and hail his landis of Harcas with the pertinentis, lyand within the quhite barony of Eddilstoun and scherefdom of Peblis, haldand fre blanche, vnder his seill and subscriptioun manuale, datit at Horsbruk the iiij day of Julii anno Domini, etc., lv^o; and ane vther chartour geving be Alexander Horsbruk of that ilk, of ten merkis of annuell, of all and hail his lands of Horsbruk with the pertinentis, haldand fre blanche, vnder his seill and subscriptioun manuale, datit att Peblis the ferd day of Nouember yere of God j^mv^c and lv yeris; and ane instrument of saising of the saidis xij merkis of annuell of Harcas, vnder the signe and subscriptioun manuale of Sir Johne Thomsone, notare publicet, datit on the ground of the samin, quinto Novembris anno Domini, etc., lv^o.

Chaplainis. The inqueist ordanis ane edict to be getting fra the provest, maister Gilbert Wichtman, with consent of the patrones, to warne all chaplanis mak residence at thair altaris conform to thair fundatioun within xlj dayis, and failyeane thairof to heir the saidis altarages descernit vacand in the patrones

handis and vtheris qualifit men to be electit in thair places that will nocht comper, and in the mentyme to present thair rentalis baith of waist landis and plenist within viij dayis, and siclike to bring in all thair vestmentis and chalices and deliuer thame to be laid in the commoun kist within xv dayis quhill the kirk be biggit.

8 February 1555.

The inqueist ordanis that na tennentis be ressaui to duell within the liberte and fredome of burgh bot thai that ar reput and haldyn honest, and that thair maisteris will ansuer for thair skaithis done to ony nychtbour, and ordanis the officieris to gang through the tovn and warne all nychtbouris, dour be dure, that thai set na houssis to suspect personis vnder the pane to be accusit as part takkaris with thame and vnder the pane of xl s. to be payit to the commoun werk.

Letting houses.

And ony man that will in tyme cuning apprehend ony pykaris sall present the saidis pykaris to the baillies and in thair absentis to the officiaris, and thai sall haif for thair reward of the thesaurare of the commoun gudis xl s. incontinent thairefter.

Pykaris.

5 March 1555.

Thomas Tuedy, commissionare and baillie, producit ane power of baillierie vnder my lerd Mortoun signet and subscription manuale, datit at Edinburgh the xij day of Februaire yere of God j^m v^c and lv yeris, to replege reduce and hame bring Johne Nesbeth [and ten others] to the regalite of Dalketh court to be haldin at (*blank*) within xv dayis, viz., Thursday the xx day of Merche instant, and fand John Dikesone sourte till enter to justice, and gaif his collar aith, and failyeing that justice be nocht done as said is to cum agane to this court.

Repledgiation.
Lord Mortoun.

The juges discernis and ordanis euery man, spirituale and temporale, that ar infeit of ony annuellis within the liberte and burgh of Peblis be payit conforme to the actis of the brint annuellis maid be the Thre Estatis in tyme cuning, and compone for the tymes bygane, without ony impediment and obstacle; and ordanis the officiaris to pas with the annuaris of the

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annuellaris on the party expensis to poynd and strenye thairfore, and in speciale William Tait annuell, the lard Southous annuellis, and all vtheris annuellis, and thairupone William Tait askit instrument.

14 April 1556.

Court. Wap-
pynschawin.

The court is continewit to the xvij day of Aprile becaus of wappynschawin and vther besynes that is ado.

18 April 1556.

Commons.

The counsale deliuerance :—The counsale ordanis the commons to be vshit be nyctbouris, induellaris of the burgh of Peblis, conforme to the decreit pronuncit thairupone.

Burroleyis.

The counsale ordanis the Burroleyis to be vshit and set as the rest of the vther thre hillis, and euery fre man within the burgh to put thair bestiall thairto quhill it be providet to be set, and this to be proclamit at the croce the morne.

The counsale ordanis to mak ane lettere of tak blank of the Burroleyis, and to put in thair names that payis maist thairfore, and to fynd siker souerte for the same.

Malt selling.
Heid dykis.

The counsale ordanis baith the baillies to pas on Weddysday nixt tocum throw the tovn and ordour malt selling vnground fra thair awne millis, heid dykis and vtheris nyctbourheid within the burgh, vnder the pane of dischargeing of thame of thair offices.

6 May 1556.

Common lands.

The counsale ordanis enirilk nyctbour duelland within the fredome of burgh that hes ony nolt, howbeit thai haif steding of vtheris lardis vtouth the fredome of burgh, that ilk ane of thame get ane certane nolt and put to ane commoun herd to thair commoun feikdis of Glentars, Cruxhoip, Pilmore, commoun of Swyuhope, Sonyside, Somerclench to Gaithopeburne, as the decreit pronuncit thairupone proportis, vnder the pane of viij s. ilk persone, that failyeis heirintill. And ordanis tua tirl castaris or four to be put to cast tiris on all the partis of the saidis commons, on the tovn expensis, to the vtilite and proffitt of the commoun weill.

22 May 1556.

Johne Andersone, officer and baillie to my lord Sant Johnis, at command, hes producit the said lord commissioun before the baillies of Peblis and communitie for certane persones duelland on his landis of Terpeddo and Stanhope, viz., Johne Portus and Thomas Welsche contenit in the said commissioun, as vtheris in generale duelland on the saidis lordis landis in Tueddail, and that the saidis baillies wald nocht admitt the said commissioun, and that the non admissioun thair of wer na hurt to my lord auld privilege bot that he may haif tyme and place to persew. And the saidis baillies and communitie ansuerit that the said commissioun is generale direct and nocht in speciale, and that he wes neuir in vse of replegiatioun, afore thame nor producit na title of the foirsaid Johne allegiance contenand forstallaris, vsand pakking and peling, in hurt of priuilege of the burgh and fraude of our Souerane Lady customis.

Sant Johnis
replegiatioun.

7 June 1556.

Anno incarnationis Dominice quingentesimo quinquagesimo sexto die vero mensis Junii septimo, indictione decima quarta pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Pauli diuina prouidentia pape quarti anno secundo. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutis Robertus Hoppringill, Johannes Wychtman, balliui burgi de Peblis, vna cum consilio et communitate dicti burgi, more solito ad videndum et visitandum limites inter terras de Kidstoun et Chapelhill et proprietatem de Hammiltoun spectantem et pertinentem balliuis communitati et inhabitantibus dicti burgi, incipiendo ad he [In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-six, the seventh day of the month of June, the fourteenth indiction, and in the second year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our lord the Lord Paul the Fourth by divine providence pope. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared Robert Hoppringill, John Wychtman baillies of the burgh of Peebles, together with the council and community of the said burgh, to see and visit in accustomed form the marches between the lands of Kidstoun Chapelhill and Eddistoun, and the property of Hammiltoun belonging and pertaining to the baillies community and inhabitants of the said burgh beginning at] tua dog bussis at the eist part of James Gowane

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Hammiltoun.

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land callit Burrelfeild, passand west throuch be merche stanis to the Blind Well syke, vnder the Ry Slak to the Cragwel sykis, be the syke passand soithald the heretage of Burrelfeild, be tua gray stanis to ane quhite stane in Burrelfeild Hoip, passand vp the syke to the metyn of the merche betuix Burrelfeild and Jedburghfeild and Hammiltoun, passand our the swyre be anc dike to the Sclait Hoill well, done the syke to the tua gray stanis, vp the syke in Eddistoun hoip heid to the gray marche stane at the Faw Bank fut, vp the sike to Kidstoun hoip heid, descendand done the hoip to ane red hedit stane, done the syke be the Newlandis fut, done the syke to ane gray stane beneth ane sauch bus callit Will Leidbutter yet, passand vp the dike estward to the stanis in the lon heid, passand northeist be merch stanis be Hammildone bray be the carne of stanis to the dyke, thortour the gait abone Hammildone croce to the well heid, passand southeist as the carne of stanis to Bechat welheid to the merch stane at the hie gait syde nixt contigue James Gowane heretage callit Acomfeild and Burrelfeild. Super quibus omnibus et singulis dicti balliui consules et communitas petierunt, a me notario publico subscripto, vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec horas infra septimam et nonam ante merediem, sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibussupra. Presentibus ibidem pronidis viris Willehno Fairle, Willehno Harwy, Jacobo Hoppringill, et domino Joanne Allane, notario publico, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa rogatis pariter et requisitis. [Upon all and sundry which the said baillies counsellors and community asked from me notary public subscribing one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done between the seventh and ninth hours before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written. There being present honest men William Fairle, William Harwy, James Hoppringill and Sir John Allane notary public, with diuers other witnesses specially called and required to the premises]

11 June 1556.

Malt. Mercat-
day.

The counsale hes ordanit that na browstaris by ony malt in landwart furth of the burgh in tymes cuming by the mercat day, that is to say Tuesday and Friday, quhilk malt salbe brocht to the mercat croce on the saidis dayis and na vther day in all the wolk, becaus the juges baillies counsale and communitie hes assignit the said dayis to be presentit to the

croce as said is tō be sauld, vndir the pane of viij s. to be tane of ilk browstare that dois in the contrare of this act, and that the said viij s. be tane be the officiaris in tyme cuming als oft as thai failye heirintill and deliuer the samin to the thesaurare to mak compt thair of to the baillies counsale and communitie of the said burgh in tyme cuming, and ordanis the officeris to ressaue the tua first vnlawis to thair awne dispositioun to be vigilatiue in the rest of thame that failyeis heirintill; and ordanis this act to be ratifit the nixt court with consent of the baill communitie.

Malt. Mercat
day.

The said counsaill ordanis Robert Hesilhope to haif xl s. yerelie during his tak of the Walk Mylne for vphalding the hail caule for the vtilite and profit of baith the milnis and find sufficient and aboundance of walter to the saidis milnis; and gif thai be nocht sufficient walter for thame baith at anes, to tak the baill walter fra the Walk Milne to the Rude Milne salang as thair is ony cornes to be ground thairvpon. The quhilk actis the hail communitie appreis and ratifiis and the said Robert fand his land souerte for fulylling of the samin.

Haldyn in of
the caule.

5 October 1556.

Electi pro balliis fiendis:—James Wilson [sixty-two votes]; Robert Hoppringill [four votes]; James Tuedy [twenty-eight votes]; Thomas Peblis [forty-one votes]; Thomas Cauehill [four votes]; William Cheis-holme [seven votes]; [Wilson and Peblis accordingly] chosing sworne and admittit baillies.

Baillies.

14 October 1556.

The inqueist ordanis the breid to beir the pais, conforme to the statutis of Edinburgh, as the pais salbe geving in to the baxtaris and beir the price and wecht efferand as the boll of quheit is sauld.

Bread.

Ordanis the aittis for xij d. the pek, x d. the stane of hay.

Aittis, hay.

Ordanis nychtlie viij wauchis substantious men to be and walk within and about the tovne, enterand at viij houris and to remane quhill four houris in the morne, vnder the pane of viij s.

Wauchis.

Ordanis the counsale to nominate certane of the nychtbouris of the tovn on Thursday nixt tocum for breking of the taxt of xiiij li. xij s. vj d for the xij denieris.

Taxt.

Robert Murro. Ordanis the baillies to pvnis Robert Murro at thair plesour becaus thai find him windy in his takkyng, and that he haif na place to speik in tyme cum bot be his procuraturis quhilkis ar constitute, vnder the pane of festynning him in the irnes incontinent thairefter at the baillies will, and for obeying of this act fand Johne Dikesone souerte, and the said Robert to releif him.

Middynnys. Ordanis the middynnys to be clengit of the gait within viij dayis vnder the pane of viij s.

Sheip. And siclike that na scheip be pasturit nor fed, nouthir nycht nor day, within the fredome of burgh nor burro ruddis in tyme cuming, for deistroying of kaill herbis, vnder the pane of viij s., and ratifis all actis maid thairupone of auld.

22 October 1556.

Cruell bluding
and hurting of
Adam Peblis.

The quhilk day, Thomas Peblis baillie for the tyme, in absence of his college James Wilsone, comperit in the tolbuth of Peblis efter the forthocht-fellony done be Johne Hay and Robert Merchell, seruandis to Mr Thomas Hay provest of Bothanis, apone Adam Peblis, vsand his lefull besynes for the tyme, and cruell bluding and hurting of him, with the haill communitie counsalie gadderit for the tyme that culd be apprehendit, to fynd remeid for the said cruelte done be the saidis persones, of the quhilk communitie the names ar vnder writting, viz., Robert Hoppringill, Johne Wichtman, Rolland Scot, Patrik Gowane, Johne Dikesone, Nicholl Vache, Thomas Bell, William Cheisholme, James Gowane, Thomas Cauerhill, David Robesone, Thomas Persone, James Tuedy, James Murdok, Andro Alexander younger, Johne Robesone, Thomas Dikesone elder, Thomas Andersone, William Harwy, Johne Bullo, Johne Glaschen, Johne Patersone, Johne Kirkwood elder, John Kirkwood younger, Stene Greif, Achilles Gladdo, Johne Portus, William Wilsone, Johne Persoun, William Atzin, Arthure Johnkesone, William Robyn, Johne Ecfurd, Thomas Grege, James Stensone, Andro Ra, Johne Fergusone, William Bannerman, William Rechartson, William Dikesoun of Winkestoun, Robert Hesilhope, James Cunyeane, Johne Cranstoun, George Horsbruk, James Dowell, Thomas Watsone, William Lowys, Johne Wilsone, Johne Wilsone younger, Johne Lithquo, Johne Mosman, Adam Hog, Robert Scot, Johne Craufurd, Thomas Tued-dail, Alexander Tempill, Laurence Horsbruk, and vtheris nychtbouris, all

with ane consent ordanis the baillies to pas to the Queenis grace autorite or to the justice and lordis of counsale to seik remeid herfor on the tovn expensis.

Cruell blading
and hurting of
Adam Peblis.

10 November 1556.

The baillies counsale and communitie hes conduit Sir William Tunno to be scoilmaister to teche thair barneis efter his knowlege quhill Witsunday nixt tocum, and forthir as thai and he can aggre, and gif thai aggre nocht he sall mak lauchfull warnyng to the saidis baillies counsale and communitie that thai may provide ane vther afore the terme ; for the quhilkis thay sall caus thair thesaurare to pay to the said Sir William termelie at Candilmes, Beltane, Lammes, and Alhallomes, fiftie s., and sall fynd him ane honest chahner on thair expensis, with chymnay, closet and necessariis, exceppand furnissing.

Scoilmaister.

13 November 1556.

The said day, Mongo Williamsone, sworne and admittit, deponis that James Pount com till his hous quhen William Rechartsoun wes drinkand with him and Johne Scot, and wald [nocht] byde away bot gaif iniurious wordis sayand he suld put ane knyfe to William Rechartsone hart or ellis his life or he his, had nocht bene John Scot gat ane roung and held him furth on force ; and forthir deponis that on the xi day of Nouember betuix xj houris and xij quhen the wache was on the gait James Pount com done the gait, and the said William beand ane of the saidis wachis sperit at thame quha wes that on the gait that tyme of nycht and straik the said James on the forret with ane roung, and than incontinent the said James drew ane qubingar and said he suld haif it at his hart blude. Johne Scot, sworne and admittit, deponis that James Pount com to Mongo Williamsone hous quhen thai wer in table and gaif him iniurious wordis, sayand he suld outlir haif his life or he his. William Bell, souerte to enter James Pount, to ansuer William Rechartsoun the nixt court.

Assault.

26 November 1556.

The haill inqueist fyndis James Pount in the wrang in drawin of ane quhyngare to William Rechartsone in presens of Robert Hoppringill, baillie

Drawing
quhyngares.

Drawing
quhingares.

for the tyme, and siclik for the cuning to Mongo Williamsone hous gevand iniurious wordis till him he beand in his table with companyeonis, conforme to the depositiounis of the previs.

Previs betuix Pount and Rechartsone :—William Rechartsone deponis that he yeid furth of Robert Scot hous fra his table fra James Pount, and ilk ane of thame drew quhingares till vtheris, bot he can nocht tell quhether he or James Pount drew the quhyngar first.

10 December 1556.

Wobstaris
wechtis.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to reforme all the wobstaris wechtis, baith stane, half stane, quarter, half quarter, pound, half pound, tron wecht, to be maid with ringnis and deliuerit to thame, conforme to the wechtis of Edinburgh, and to mak thame on the wobstaris expensis; and ordanis the baillies to caus ane of the saidis wobstaris, outhir Johne Wilsone or James Thorbrand, pas done with ane of the baillies to syeht the saidis stanis and se the saidis stanis reformit conforme to the statutis of Edinburgh, and quhat elnis of claith suld be payit of wopen and lynning be the said wecht, and haif the dekyannis of Edinburgh writtinis heirapone within xv dayis.

30 December 1556.

Night watch.

The baillies counsall and communitie ordanis the half quarter of the tovn to walk nychtlie quhill the mone grow to the proud lycht, and the quarter of the tovn to walk ilk nycht salang as thai ar proude, and that nane walk except the principale of ilk hous or ellis ane sufficient man in thair place, and the baillies to nominat ane man nychtlie to ourse the said waehc to enter at nyne houris at ewin and to byde quhill four houris in the morne.

Watch in the
stepill.

And siclike, ordanis James Frank to ly nychtlie in the stepill to await on the bell and ring the samin gif ony aventure of fray or sudand fyre occuris, and siclike ordanis the chapell dure nychtlie at sex houris to be lokkit that he incur na danger in ganging to the stepill.

Dykis.

And siclike ordanis [certain passages dikes and old walls, and "bath Sanct Michael entres," to be built up, and] all that hes ony yardis quhar dykis is falyeit to big thame vp within viij dayis.

And siclike ordanis the thesaurare to vesy gif ony tumber be to by to mak portis of. Portis.

Ordanis the commoun stane to be put in sure keping in the commoun kist within xxiiij houris, vuder the pane of viij s., and thair to remane and nocht to be removit furth of the samin. Commoun stane.

18 *January* 1556.

The deliuerance of the inqueist: Ordanis the flanchter spadis that was apprehendit on our propirtie of Hammiltoun castand turvis to Alexander Hoppringill in Chapelhill without licence of the baillies and communitie to be getting in within xlvij houris, or ellis to ly till his charge. Hammiltoun.

The inqueist ordanis to gar gadder stanis to Peblis brig egis, and to serche the walter first and gif ony wantis to leid maa. Peblis brig.

Item, the inqueist ordanis to caus mak ane new dure to the stepill, and ordanis James Frank to fulfill all poyntis of his promis and contract betuix him and the tovn anentis the stepill and knok, and siclike ordanis the thesaurare big the portis. Stepill, knok, portis.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to consuld with maister Johne Spence quhow thai sall tak ordour of Sanct Michaelle altare and the clerkschip, and of the giftis quhilk the archidone hes geving and makkis na seruice thairfore. Altare.

Ordanis the auld actis of the commoun gait betuix the tovn and to Hammildoun hill to be obseruit and kept. Commoun gait, Hammildoun.

Ordanis the chaplanes to be callit for thair chalices that wantis. Chaplanes.

The quhilk day, Mongo Williamsone and Adam Gilleis was creat officeris to vse the office of seriandschip within the libertie and fredome of the burgh, justlie baith to pure and riche, and without outhir bude or meid ay and quhill thai be newlie dischargit. Officeris.

4 *March* 1556.

The inquest ordanis the actis maid of the wobstaris tuiching the reformatioun of the wechtis to be reformat in all soirtes conforme to the actis maid tua courtis of before, and ordanis thame to mak sufficient werk of the graith deliuerit and ressaut be thame and tak payment thairfore efter the

Wobstaris. rite of Edinburgh, and gif thai spill ony manis or woman wark to recompance the samin, and imputtis the wite to the baillies that thai put nocht the saidis actis to executioun.

James Frank to
remove fra the
stepill.

And inlikemane findis that the baillies hes failyeit that causit nocht James Frank reforme the poyntis of his contract anentis the knock and stepill in all thingis as the said contract proportis, and ordanis thame to caus the said James haif all thing that pertenis to the tovn in his keping in ane reddynes to be deliuerit to the counsale and communite quhowsonne he be requirit thairto, and to warne him instantlie to remoif fra the keping of thair commoun hous and knock at Beltane nixt to cum quhill he and the town aggre.

Leidgait and
Hammiltoun.

And siclike imputtis the wyte to the baillies that thai ordour nocht the commoun gait betuix the Leidgait and Hammiltoun.

Harwy.
Annual.

The quhilk day, James Robesone confessit in judgement that William Harwy had payit xx s. yerlie sen the tovn birmyng to John Stodert be the space of v yeris, and the said William allegit the said payment wes ignorantlie done becaus he knew nocht the actis maid thairupone and desyrit bakwart of the said sovme mair nor he aucht till haif geving as accordit of the law, and ordanis be productioun of Johne Stodert eident to ansver him of the annuell contenit thairintill conforme to the ordour of the actis maid of the brynt landis, and assignis the nixt court day, viz. the xxiiij day of Merche instant, to the said Johne to tak consultatioun quhat suld be defalcet thairof les or mair.

26 April 1557.

Vanelaw.

The inqueist ordanis the Vanelaw to be red incontinent this samin nycht, and als oft as thai find ony gudis thairupone to tak ane lambe of ilk mannis gud fund thairupone to be geving to the commoun werk, and the officiaris for thair panes to haif the first lambe. And to provide ane kepere to the said hill auld vsit and wont, conforme to the actis of auld, that stirkkis caulffis and hors may be pasturit thairupone and na vther bestiale nouthir nycht nor day.

Caidmur.

Ordanis the tennentis of Caidmur to produce thair takkis on Friday nixtocum, and thai that hes failyeit or brokyn ony part of the saidis takkis to be dischargit simpliciter and vtheris clectit in thair places.

Ordanis the baillies to pas to the croce the morne and be opping proclama-
 tioun warn all and sindry our Souerane Lady liegis to bring breil, quheit, Vidualis.
 meill, malt, and all vtheris kynde of victuales to the mercate as vse is of all
 vtheris burrowis.

Ordanis the baillies to caus the wobstaris prices of thair lawbouris con-
 forme to the prices of Edinburgh, and mak the quantite of quhow mony
 ellis of claith may be maid of the trois stane and vtheris wechtis deliuerit Wobstaris.
 to thame, and to gif thame ane ansuer of thair fredome betuix this and
 Michaelmes quhen tyme occuris, and gif thai be nocht contentit with the
 baillies ansuer ane of thame selffis pas done to Edinburgh with the saidis
 baillies on thair awne expensis conforme to the desyre of thair awne bill,
 and ordanis the auld stanis to be tane fra thame.

30 April 1557.

Item, it [is] statut and ordanit that the tennentis of the four hillis of Caidmuir.
 Caidmuir to be warnit aganes the sevint day of Maii nixt tocum to comper
 afore the baillies counsale and communite that thair conscience may be
 tane *sigillatim* be thair selffis gif thai haif obseruit the poyntis of thair
 takkis or not, and dischargeis all vnfremen gudis of the saidis four hillis fra
 the morne efter Beltane day nixt to cum, and naue be pasturit thairupone
 thairefter vnder the pane of fairfaltung of thair takkis, and the quarter
 maisteris to red the saidis gudis of the saidis hillis on the ferd day of May
 vnder the said pane, and the cornes sawin be vnfremen that duellis inwyth
 or vtouth the burgh, or yit be fremen duelland vtouth the burgh, to be
 eschaet to the tovn.

3 May 1557.

William Russell, sworne and admittit, deponis be his greit aith that he Mercat day.
 and hus suster Merioum Russell wes cummand fra the croce quhen he had
 bocht ane certane saip, and the mercat wes thrang and nocht knawand
 quha wes afor him in the mercat, to mak him ane fre passage and gait put
 furth his hand, egling to mak him ane gait and for desplesour of na man
 nor for violence bot to thring him self throw the mercat becaus it wes thrang
 as said is, and culd na vther wayis evaid vntuichit, and his suster followand

Merent day. him sayand : I pray yow get ws rowine that we may haif fre passage for breking of the pig and saip that wes in hir hand.

7 May 1557.

Venlaw. The baillies hes set the Winlaw to Adam Gilleis and Eduard Pount to be kepit, and that na bestiall be pasturit thairupone except stirkis, caulffis and hors, nouthir nycht nor day ; and that the saidis hors be sufficientlie langilit, and all the heid dykkis to be biggit within xxiiij houris, and that the saidis keparis of the said hill ding the saidis stirkis quhairthrow that incurre ony skaith, and gif sa beis thai salbe compellit to pay the same, and that the stirkkis be put to the hill to be pasturit be five houris at morne and to remane quhill vij houris at ewin, and that the meill men hors be kepit be thame alauerlie and nane vtheris vnder the pane of ten pundis of money to be tane of Stene Greif and Johne Wilsons thair souirteis without ony remissioun.

15 June 1557.

Souyside. The counsale and communitie ordanis the baillie pas done till Edinburgh incontinent, quhowson he may be providit, and mak ane bill and gif in to the Quenis grace apone my lord Borthik his seruandis and thair complices that cuttit the tirvis pertenand to the communitie on the Souysyde the xiiij day of Junij instant, with avise of Mr Johne Spence thair aduocat.

Caidmuir. And ordanis the baillie to caus the officeris pas and poynd and destrenye the reddyest guddis of the tennentis and occupiaris of the hillis of Caidmuir, Walk Milne males, and all vtheris males and annuellis within vj dayis.

10 July 1557.

Souyside
tirvis. The counsale and communitie ordanis to avise with maister Johne Spence anentis the cuttin and birnyng of the tirvis on the Souysyde be my lord Borthik and his complices, assistaris to him, on the xiiij day of Junij in the yere of God j^mv^c lvij yeris, and to fynd remeid heirfore, and to mak billis thairupone with avise of our said aduocat as accordis of the law. And siclik to fynd remeid of the greit enormite, done be James Gledstanis, eldest sone and apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, and his complices, this xxv day of Junii instant, cumand to our proprete and heretage of Caidmuir,

Gledstanis.

striker and our seruand Robert Cleuch and causand him thairthrow to haif Gledstanis. greit effusioun of blude, and takkand to erd our secheillis and boussis, euttand the samin with hewin axis and suirdis, of prouisioun maid of before, vnder silence of nyecht about the sone rysing, and to libell and rais summondis thairupone as accordis of the law, and ordanis Thomas Peblis, baillie, to put this to executioun with all diligence as he will ansuer to his office.

21 July 1557.

[The inqueist] ordanis the honest men of the tovne seueralie, thair cours Pure folk. about, gang and beg in the kirk to the pure folkis for thair sustentatioun, and the baillie to begyn this nixt wolk.

14 August 1557.

The baillies counsale and communitie ordanis nyechtlie wechis to be maid in Wechis. tyme of the oist, and that the quarter of the towne walk nyechtlie quhill thair returnyng hame agane, and ane of the maist honest men of the said quarter to be electit quarter-maister, and quha dissobeyis this ordinance to pay viij s. of vnlaw, vnforgeving, and to enter at ix houris at ewin and remane quhill the dawn of the day, etc; and gif thai heir ony word of ane hoist the baillie towne to walk. And sielike ordanis the thesaurare to by the tumber to the Portis. portis with all expeditioun as he will ansuer to the baillies counsale and communitie apone the executioun of his office.

4 October 1557.

Eleeti pro balliuis fiendis: James Robesone, [twenty-six votes]; Johne Baillies. Wychtman, [two votes]; William Bell, [fifteen votes]; James Tuedye, [forty-eight votes]; Johne Dikesone, [forty votes]; Patrik Newtoun, [three votes].

8 October 1557.

Consilium: James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone, baillies; James Wilsone, Council. Thomas Peblis, Stene Robesone, Rowe Scot, Nicholl Vache, William Dikesone elder, Johne Wychtman, James Robesone, Thomas Tuedy, Robert Hesillhope, William Cheishohne, William Lowys, Thomas Bell, Thomas Cauerhill, Johne Wilsoun textour, James Stensone, Johne Lythquo.

Furnissing to
army.

It is statute and ordanit [by the haill counsale and communitie] that all and sindry induellaris within the burgh of Peblis provide furnissing, sic as breid aill flesche fische aittis hay stray pultre and all necessariis, to our Souerane Lady liegis passand and repassand to the army, on ressonabill prices, conforme to our Souerane Lady [letteres] direct thairupone.

27 October 1557.

Night watch.

The inqueist ordanis xij men of the tovne to walk nychtlie, outhir the principale man of the hous or ellis ane sufficient man in absence of the principale, and nane vther to be admittit vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgevin.

17 November 1557.

Sodane frayis.

The counsall ordanis gif thair cum ony sodane fray to the toun, be incursions of thevis or innemeis, to James Frank to schoit ane govne, and thairafter the swiche to cum to the gait, and all nychtbouris convene weill armyt to the said swiche with thair baillies, vnder the pane of foirfalting of thair fredome.

2 December 1557.

Thevis and
tratouris.

The counsall ordanis the baillies, accompanit with the thesaurare and tua thre honest men, pas to my lord aentis the Queenis graces letteres purchest be him to rise and follow quhen ony frayis occurris be occursions of thevis and tratouris, and to haif his lordschip ansuer heirapone, and schaw his lordschip that of beneuolence thair will serf auld vsit and went to his gudschir and fader, vtherways to fynd remeid to defend thair libertie conforme to vtheris liberteis of burrowis, and ordanis this to be done with all expeditioun.

The ordour of
the wauche.

Siclike, the counsall ordanis the quarter of the tovne to wauche nychtlie and convene with the swyche at nyne houris at ewin, and ane of the baillies or ellis baith to ressaue the said wauche, and thairefter to walk quhill four houris on the morne, and tua of the said wauche thair hour about, ane to pas to the Quhitstanehill and ane vther to the Castelhill, and sua nychtlie tua to walk about efter the wauche be ressauid and set, vnder the pane of viij s. to be tane of thame that failyeis; and ane principale of the wauche to be electit nychtlie in the baillie absence to tak ordour of the rest of the

wauche to obey his commandement as the baillies wer present, vnder the pane of viij s. of thame that dissobeyis.

The ordour of the wauche.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to caus masonis [big] all and sindry heid rowmes about the toyne sufficientlie on thair expensis that hes heid rowmes within thair awne boundis, and tak the reddyest of thair geyr and guddis to big the said heid dykis with, and viij s. of vnlaw to the baillies of thame that dissobeyis.

The heid dykis.

The counsale ordanis James Frank to furnis the stepill round about sufficientlie with stanis for defence of the same in caice any danger ocure be incursiones of thevis or vtherwayis be innemeis.

To furnis the stepill.

And siclik ordanis Sir Johne Allane to put the commone bukis in ane sure kist lokkit in the stepill, and the key to be geving to ane honest man be avise of the baillies on the thesaurare expensis, and to set the samin kist besyde the common kist in the chalmer quhilk vnquhile Sir William Tunno had the key of, and ordanis James Frank till deliuer the key thairof to Sir Johne Allane that nyctbouris may haif inspectioun of the saidis bukis as thai haif ado thairwith at thair desyre be command of the baillies, quhilk the said Sir Johne sall obey with the baillies command or taikyn.

Commone bukis.

The counsale ordanis Johne Cranstoun to restore the half of the wicket of the Briggait port quhilk he hes, and ordanis the thesaurare to repare the said wicket to be sufficientlie maid and lokkit of the reddyest of the commoun guddis incontinent.

Briggait port.

Siclike the counsale electis thir keparis vnder writting to the portis, viz.: Arche Robsone to the West port, and to haif for his lawbouris quhill Wit-sunday twenty schillingnis; Andro Ra to the Eist port, and to haif for his lawbouris twenty schillingnis; Johne Lowys to the Briggait port, and to haif for his lawbouris ten schillingnis; Johne Dikesone, seruand, to the North port, and to haif for his lawbouris ten schillingnis; and gif ony of the saidis persones refusis the keping of the saidis portis vtheris to be electit in thair places to accept the samin, and ordanis the saidis keparis of the foir-saidis portis to clois the samin portis nyctlie in wynter at sax houris at ewin, except the wicketis quhilk salbe opping quhill viij houris at ewin, providing allwayis that the West port wicket salbe opping quhill ix houris at ewin nyctlie becaus of passage to the corne milnis and walk mylnis, and efter that the saidis portis be alhail closit that nane be latting in nor furth

The keparis of the portis.

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the portis.

thairat without licence of ane of the baillies afore the saidis affixt houris without it be to fray and following for weill of the cuntre, and quhowson the followaris to the fray be latting furth the saidis portis to be closit as afore quhill the saidis houris affixt, and that nane dissobey the keparis of the saidis portis betuix the closing and oppynning thair of at the houris for-said, vnder the pane of depriving of thaim; and gif ony suddand tulye happyng within the tovne, outhir be nycht or day, that the keparis of the saidis portis incontinent thairefter clois and steik the saidis portis quhill cognitioun of the said tulye be tane and pvnishment maid thairfore as accordis of the law, and gif ony of the keparis of the saidis portis tyme ony of thair keyis to mak new keyis agane on thair expensis, and to fynd cautionn that thair sall be leill and trew to the baillies counsale and communitie of the saidis portis keping as said is, and that thair incurre na danger in thair negligence.

13 *January* 1557.

Chaplainis.

The baillies and maist part of the counsale ordanis Rolland Scot thesaurare, and Johne Wychtman, ryde done to Edinburgh the morne to master Johne Spence and haif his consultatioun quhow thair sall vse the chaplainis within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis anentis the makkyn of dailie residence on thair altaragis and prebendis, and be his avise mak ane bill of complaynt to my lord Glasqw to purches ane sequestratioun of all and sindry the fruttis of the saidis prebendis and altarages ay and quhill thair mak continewall and dailie residence, quhairthrow thair may be compellit to mak service conforme to the erectioun and fundatiounes maid thair-upone, becaus diuers of thame seruis curis furth of the burgh and thairthrow the patronis wantis seruis at hie solemnit tymes and all vtheris festiuale tymes, howheid thair be astrictit to mak thair patrones dailie service be the tennour and vertu of the saidis fundatiounes, and ordanes thame to bring ane formall ansuer heirapone, and this our writting to be sychtit be my lord of Glasqw and vtheris his secretaris, and to put remeid heirto as accordis of the law.

17 *January* 1557.

Portis.

[The haill inqueist ordanis] that nane pas our dykis to the buttis or walter in tymes cuming bot furth at the portis, vnder the pane of viij s.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to gif maister Johne Lowys twenty merkis of fee for the teching of the Grammare Scoill, and to provide his chalmer himself, and to haif his ansuer thairof betuix this and Sunday.

Grammare
scoill.

21 *January 1557.*

The baillies and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, all in ane voce and with ane consent, ar contentit to pas to Caidmur incontinent with all and sindry thair pleuchis baith for feyng and borrowing and teill the same, and gif the takkismen will teill it thair selffis with thair awne propir pleuchis the tovne sall fortify thame quarterlie about quhill samekle thairof be telit as is necessar, and gif the takkismen may nocht get pleuchyn thair selffis that ony vther nyehbour that plesis to teill the samin and vse it as ane takkisman; providing alwayes that every freman within the burgh salbe fre to vse the gers of the said Caidmuir that is vutcht sufficientlie with thair bestiale this yere and to kepe the cornes vneting, and quha refusis to do as is abone writting sall pay viij s. of vulaw, vnforgeving, to the baillies and forfaltit of thair fredome in tyme euming.

Caidmur.

4 *March 1557.*

The counsale hes ordanit tua wechis to walk nychtlie, ane on the Stepill heid ane vther on the Est Werk, and to haif nychtlie for thair wage vj d., enterand at nyne houris and remane quhill v houris in the morne, and ordanis the inhabitaris of the burgh to pay als mekle to sustene the saidis wechis wyth as thai pay of burro males, becaus thair is na commoun gudis fre instantlie; and siclike it is statut and ordanit that na wache fra this tyme furth walk on the gait except the principale of the hous, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgevin; and the heid dykis to be substantiouslie reformit, vnder the said pane.

Wache, dykis.

14 *March 1557.*

The names ordanit be the counsale to pay the tua wachis on the Stepill and Eist Werk becaus thair is na commoun gudis fre instantlie: Johne Wilsone, Thomas Bell, Johne Portus, James Gowane, Johne Lowys, Helene Threipland, Johne Scot, Mertyn Hay, Robert Dische, James Dowell, James Gowane, Helene Williamsons, Thomas Dikesone, Besse Fynlaw, Sande Fell,

Payment for
wachis.

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wachs.

Johne Hay, Eduard Dikesone, Johne Stensone, Mr John Colquhone, Andro Wichtman, William Bell, Sir Robert Hoip, Sir Johne Allane, Sir Johne Bullo, Sir Johne Ker, Thomas Cauerhill, Denys Elphingstoun, James Crunyeane, James Frank, Thomas Hesilhop, James Wilsone, William Cheisholme, William Lowys, Nicholl Vache, Cristian Hoip, Thomas Watsone, William Attzin, James Stensone, Johne Clasgen, Done Burne, Thomas Lowys, Eduard Wychtman, Besse Bard, Rolland Scot, William Robysoun, Johne Lythquo, Johne Kirkwod, William Dikesone, Adam Hog, William Bannermau, Johne Cranstoun, David Robesone, Johne Mosman, Johne Ecfurd, Arthure Johnkesone, Johne Bullo, Stene Greif wife, Johne Paterstone, Johne Craufurd, Thomas Tuedy, Stene Robesone, Thomas Dikesone, Laurence Horsbruk, Johne Horsbruk, George Horsbruk, Thomas Greg, James Robesone, Robert Hesilhope, Johne Robesone, Patrik Newtoun, Thomas Portus, Johne Smyth.

31 *March* 1558.

Grammare
scoull.

The haill inqueist ordanis Walter Haldane to teche thair Grammare Scoull quhill Lammes, enterand at Pasche nixtocum, and to gif him for his panes xls. and his aventuris quhill the said terme, to se gif he be qualifiit, and gif ony vther qualifiit man can be getting the said Walter to be removit, or vtherways aggre with him gif he plesis to be doctour and teche vnder him.

12 *April* 1558.

Oppression by
tenants of
Milton.

Anno, etc. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honestus vir Adam Johnstone tenens molendini de Milton infra baroniam de Hundelishope et vicecomitatum de Peblis simpliciter denegavit et refutavit quod ipse nullo modo consensit ad erectionem literarum Supreme Domine nostre super burgensibus et inhabitantibus infra burgum de Peblis pro asserta oppressione in dictis literis contenti execu-

In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written, personally appeared an honest man Adam Johnstone tenant of the mill of Milton within the barony of Hundelishope and sheriffdom of Peebles and simply denied and refuted that he in any mode consented to the publication of the letters of our Sovereign Lady relating to the burgesses and inhabitants within the burgh of Peebles for the asserted oppression contained in the said letters, executed by Robert Stirk messenger

tarum per Robertum Stirk nuncium reginale nomine et mandato personarum in dietis literis insertarum, prout tenore presentis instrumenti simpliciter denegat et refutat non obstante quod ipse nomen insertus sint in dictis literis, protestando quod ipse in temporibus futuris immunis et innocens erit de erectione huiusmodi literarum quod nunquam consentiebat palam aut occulte erectioni earundem sed in Joannis Gledstanis de Cokkelaw illius nomine et informatione dietie litere erecte erant vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse et Jacobus Tuedy balliuus dicti burgi nomine et ex parte dictorum burgensium consulum et communitatis a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in clausura domini Roberti Hoip capellani infra burgum de Peblis. . . .

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Milton.

of the Queen in the name and at the command of the persons enumerated in the said letters, as by the tenor of the present instrument he simply denies and refutes, notwithstanding that his name be inserted in the said letters, protesting that he should be in time coming free and innocent of the proclamation of the said letters, because he never consented publicly or privately to the proclamation thereof, but that it was in the name and by the procuracy of John Gledestanis of Cocklaw that the said letters were proclaimed, as to me notary public subscribing clearly appeared. Upon which all and sundry he and James Tuedy baillie of the said burgh, in the name and behalf of the said burgesses councillors and community, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to them one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the close of Sir Robert Hoip chaplain within the burgh of Peebles. . . .

13 April 1558.

Anno, etc. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Joannes Dikesone junior de Winkestoun nomine et mandato balliuorum communitatis et consulum burgi de Peblis petiit instrumentum vt in vulgari sequitur [In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man John Dikesone younger of Winkestoun, in the name and at the command of the baillies community and councillors of the burgh of Peblis asked an instrument as follows in the common tongue] that the said baillies and communitie was summonsd be our Souerane Lady letteres to find souerte to vnderly our said Souerane Lady lawis for the oppressioun done be thame to the ten-

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nentis and inhabitaris of the landis of Milton and Hallyard, as the saidis letteres in the self mair füllelie proportit, and that the baillies, he and the rest of the communitie and inhabitaris of the said burgh, swa mony as wes gevin in bill, wes and is instantlie redy to obey our said Souerane Lady letteres and to fynd souerte of the poyntis and articulis contenit thairintill as accordit of the law, nochtwythstanding that Robert Stirk, messinger executour of the saidis letteres, had tane nane of the principalis aithis insert in the saidis letteres that thai ferit the baillies communitie and inhabitaris of the said burgh geving in to thame in bill of bodely harme, as he aucht apone the law in presens of party, protestand for remeid of law vpon Robert, messinger, to gif his aith afore the lordis and justice generale or his deputis of the acceptatioun of the saidis principalis aithis insert in our said Souerane Lady letteres or he ressanit the saidis souerteis or nocht. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse Joannes Dikesone. nomine et ex parte dictorum balliuorum consulum communitatis et inhabitantium dicti burgi, a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec apud crucem forealem dicti burgi. . . . [Upon which all and sundry the said John Dikesone, in name and behalf of the said baillies councillors community and inhabitants of the said burgh, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done at the market cross of the said burgh. . . .]

5 May 1558.

Trubling the
towne.

The said day, Achilles Gladdo referrit him in the townis will for the trubling of the towne on Pasche Monunday last bypast, in breking of the Queenis irlines in the Tolbuth in fortyfying of his broder Thomas Gladdo beand inclusit thairintill be the baillies, and of the iniurious wordis to the officieris and missobeying of thame.

Fynlaw
Hammildoun.

The inqueist ordanis the Fynlaw to be kept auld vsit and wont, and ane kepar to be put thairto incontinent conforme to the auld actis of before; and siclik ordanis the officiaris to red Hammildoun hill pertenant to the town in properte the morne nixt tocome, and ilk fre man put ane certane gudis nolt and schein thairto as thai may.

6 June 1558.

The baillies, be advise of William Wilson and Robert Derling, hes Textouris.
 nominat four werkmen textouris, viz., Johne Wilson, Thomas Anderson, James Thorbrand and Thomas Paterson to exame Gilbert Wilson his sone, prenteis to Robert Derling, and se gif he be qualifiit to wirk on the lynning lome or nocht, betuix this and the nixt court, and thairefter the poyntis of the contract to be fulfillit as accords of the law, and the said Robert to fynd souerte to fulfill his part of the contract as the said contract proportis.

James Frank tuk instrument that the baillies confessit in jugement that Andro Frank his sone wranguslie tane his box with certane charteris and evidentis furth of thair commune hous in the stepill, the said James beand seruand the saidis baillies counsale and communitie for the tyme, and desyrit the saidis baillies to caus and compel the said Andro his sone to rander and restore to him agane the saidis box charteris and evidentis contenit thairin-till. Charteris and evidentis.

Ordanis James Frank to mak ane sufficient lok to the skoilhous dure to thair chalmer in the stepill quhilk thai ordane to be deliuerit to Sir Johne Allane for obseruatioun of the commoun bukis now in tyme of weir, and the thesaurare to aggre with him thairfore. Commoun bukis.

Ordanis euirilk nychtbour put certane nolt on Friday nixttocum on Hammiltoun and to be pasturit thairupone, ilk persone vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving. Hammiltoun.

Ordanis the haill nychtbouris to pasture thair gudis on the four hillis of Caidmuir, and that na outland mennis gudis adiaçant thairto be ressaunt thairupone be ony fremen, vnder the pane of forfaling of thair liberte, and ordanis all nychtbouris that hes takkis of the saidis hillis to cum and pay thair males betuix this and Midsomer nixt to cum, or ellis to be dischargit simpliciter of the saidis takkis, and the saidis hillis to be vsit or cryit waist be the haill nychtbouris as thai think gud at thair awne plesour with thair gudis. Caidmuir.

Ordanis the baillies to caus the thesaurare mend Peblis brig now in the season of somer quhill the wedder is fair, as thai will ansuer to God thair awne conscience and the commoun weill of the tovne. Peblis brig.

Buttis. Ordanis xx s. to be geving of the first tua burgessis that is maid to the bigging of the buttis.

Thevis and Ynglismen. Ordanis the baillies as thai get aduertisement of ony danger occurris to the tovne, be incursions of thevis, robaris, or Ynglismen, thairefter to ordour ane [watch] of few or greit nowmer as efferis.

Heid dykis. Ordanis the baillies, accompanit with the counsale, pas on Friday nixto-cum to vesy the heid dykes betuix the North and Eist portis, and to consider quhow the samin salbe biggit.

26 June 1558.

John Hay
master of the
hospital of St
Leonard.

Anno, etc. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus venerabilis et egregius vir, Magister Joannes Colquhoun prepositus de Bothanis ac decanus christianitatis de Peblis, ad instantiam et requisitionem honesti viri, Joannis Hay fratris germani Thome Hay de Smeithfeild, ad preceptoriam perpetuam hospitalis Sancti Leonardi pro perpetuo fundatam apud burgum de Peblis personaliter accessit habens et tenens suis in manibus quandam donationem supreme domine nostre Regine de dicta preceptoriam perpetua sub eius secreto sigillo, et ibidem dictus Joannes huiusmodi donationem dicto magistro Joanni manualiter tradidit ipsum humiliter requirendo quatinus huiusmodi literam donationis debite executioni demandaret, quamquidem [literam] donationis idem magister Joannes ea reuerentia qua decuit recepit et idem mihi notario publico subscripto perlegendo publicando et in vulgari exponendo et in publicam instrumenti

In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared a venerable and worthy man Master John Colquhoun provost of Bothanis and dean of the christianity of Peblis at the instance and request of an honest man John Hay brother german of Thomas Hay of Smeithfeild, and went personally to the perpetual preceptory of the hospital of St. Leonard founded for ever at the burgh of Peblis, having and holding in his hands a certain gift of the said perpetual preceptory by our sovereign lady the Queen under her privy seal, and there the said John delivered the said gift to the said master John and humbly requested him forthwith to put the said letter of gift to due execution, which letter of gift the said master John received with due reverence, and delivered the same to me notary public subscribing to be read published and explained in the common tongue

formam redigendo tradidit ; cuiusquidem litere donationis tenor sequitur sub hac forma et est talis :—*Maria Dei gratia Regina Scotorum ; omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes litere pervenerint, salutem : Sciatis quod dedimus concessimus et disposuimus tenoreque presentium damus concedimus et disponimus dilecto nostro Joanni Hay fratri germano Thome Hay de Smethfeild pro omnibus diebus vite sue preceptoriam perpetuam hospitalitatis Sancti Leonardi pro perpetuo fundatam apud burgum nostrum de Peblis situatam nunc vacantem per simplicem resignationem cessionem et dimissionem magistri Patricii Buchquhannane ultimi preceptoris et possessoris eiusdem ad nostram plenariam donationem et dispositionem pleno jure patronatus spectantem et pertinentem : Tenendam et habendam prefatam preceptoriam perpetuam prefati hospitalis cum omnibus et singulis juribus terris possessionibus commoditatibus redditibus emolumentis proficiis et pertinentiis suis eidem preceptorie annexatis et legitime ad eandem pertinentibus prefato Joanni pro omnibus sue vite diebus libere quiete integre honorifice bene et in pace sine aliquo impedimento clameo questione aut contradictione aliqua : Prouiso nihilominus quod ipse per se aut suum substitutum ydoneum faciat et perimpleat omnia onera et seruitia dicte preceptorie incumbentia secundum tenorem funda-*

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and drawn up in public form of instrument ; of which letter of gift the tenor follows in this form, and is thus :—*Mary by the grace of God Queen of Scots to all her honest men to whom the present letters shall come greeting : Know ye that we have given granted and disposed and by the tenor of these presents give grant and dispose to our beloved John Hay brother german of Thomas Hay of Smithfeild for all the days of his life the perpetual preceptory of the hospital of Saint Leonard founded for ever and situated near our burgh of Peebles, now vacant by the simple resignation cession and dimission of Master Patrick Buchquhannane last preceptor and possessor thereof belonging and pertaining to our free gift and disposal by full right of patronage : To hold and to have the foresaid preceptory of the foresaid hospital with all and singular rights lands possessions commodities rents emoluments profits and other pertinents to the said preceptory annexed and lawfully pertaining thereto to the said John for all the days of his life freely quietly wholly honourably well and in peace without any impediment claim question or contradiction whatever : Provided nevertheless that he performs and implements by himself or his qualified substitute all duties and services incumbent on the said preceptory according to the tenor of the foundation thereof. Wherefore we strictly charge and command all and*

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tionis eiusdem : Quare vniuersis et singulis liegiis et subditis nostris precepimus et firmiter mandauimus quatinus prefato Joanni Hay suisque factoribus in omnibus et singulis dictam preceptoriam concernentibus ac in gratuita solutione sibi firmarum reddituum emolumentorum et proficuarum dicte preceptorie pertinentium et nulli alteri durante vita sua prompte pareant respondeant obediant et efficaciter intendant et quilibet eorum per se prompte pareat respondeat obediat et efficaciter intendat sub omni pena que competere poterit in hac parte: Datum sub nostro secreto sigillo apud Halyrudhous quinto die mensis Februarii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo septimo et regni nostri decimo sexto : Per signaturam manu charissime matris nostre Marie Regine Dotarie ac regentis regni nostri subscriptam.

Post cuiusquidem litere donationis prelecturam publicationem et expositione dictus magistris Joannis Colquhone vigore eiusdem instituit inuestiuit et induxit dictum Joannem in realem actualem ac personalem possessionem dicte preceptorie perpetue hospitalis Sancti Leonardi prope burgum de Peblis iuriumque et pertinentiarum eiusdem per [deliberationem] libri missalis calicis casule albe et aliorum vestimentorum prefate capelle Sancti Leonardi in manibus huiusmodi Joannis ibidem personaliter presentis et acceptantis, secundum tenorem vim formam et effectum dicte donationis induxit et inuestiuit vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis

sundry our lieges and subjects that they and every of them promptly render yield obey and effectually perform to the foresaid John Hay and his factors in all and singular concerning the said preceptory and in the thankful payment to him of the farms rents emoluments and profits pertaining to the said preceptory and to none other during his life under all pain which can competently follow in that part. Given under our pryvy seal at Halyrudhous the fifth day of the month of February in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-seven and in the sixteenth of our reign By signature subscribed with the hand of our dearest mother Mary Queen Dowager and Regent of our kingdom.

After the reading publication and explanation of which letter of gift the said master John Colquhoun by virtue thereof instituted invested and inducted the said John in the real actual and personal possession of the said perpetual preceptory of the hospital of Saint Leonard near the burgh of Peebles and rights and pertiments thereof by delivery of the missal book, chalice, casuble, alb, and other vestments of the foresaid chapel of St. Leonard into the hands of the foresaid John there personally present and accepting, and according to the tenor form strength and effect

ipse Joannes possessionem recipiens a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in capella Sancti Leonardi apud summam altare eiusdem horam circiter octauam ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem prouidis viris Willelmo Thomsonsone, Willelmo Smaill incolis dicti hospitalis Willelmo Bourne, Thoma Glado, et domino Joanne Allane capellano ac notario publico testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitus.

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of the said donation inducted and invested him as to me notary public subscribing clearly appeared. Upon which all and sundry the said John so receiving possession asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the chapel of Saint Leonard at the high altar thereof about the eighth hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written there being present prouident men William Thomson, William Smaill inhabitants of the said hospital, William Broune, Thomas Glado, and Sir John Allane chaplain and notary public, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.

11 July 1558.

Ordanis the baillies to aggre with Robert Hesillhop incontinent for the bigging of the buttis als guid chep as thai can. Buttis.

28 July 1558.

The inqueist ordanis the young man that desyris to teiche the scoill cum vp to Peblis and conuene with the baillies and counsale gif thai can con- Scoillemaster.
duce him.

The inqueist ordanis James Wilsone to bring hame ane cut-throt, ane swiche and powder and calmes, as his bill proportis; and forthir ordanis him to be ansuerit of xxvj s. iiij d. of the rest of the taxt that he is superspendit at the intrant of James Tuedy and Johnne Dikesone baillies, and to pay him at his hame cuming sic vantage of his waris as vse is. And forthir referris the ansuer of Sir Johnne Allane writtyn vpon the annuellis of Sanct Johnne altare to the baillies becaus the thesaurare wes ay ordanit of auld to pay the samyn conforme to his infetement and as thair bukis proportis of auld, and to syecht thair comptis and pay the annuellis restand to him, and thair- Wilsone.
Allan, lillis.
St John altar.
vpon the said Sir Johnne askit rohnent of court of the said deliuerance.

24 September 1558.

Wache.

The baillies counsale and communitie hes statut and ordanit that the tane half of the tovne walk nychtlie fra nyne houris at ewin quhill vij on the morne, viz., the principale of ilk hous, vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw to be instantlie tane of thame that dissobeyis, and ane of the baillies walk nychtlie with the said wache, and ordanis the saidis vnlawis to be collectit and warit on the mending of the dyke betuix the Eist and North Portis.

Heid dykis.

Out waches.

Ordanis the heid dykis rovnd about the tovne to be sufficientlie biggit vnder the said [pane]. And siclike ordanis tua out waches walk nycht about the tovne at places as salbe assignit to them be the baillies.

3 October 1558.

Dikesone.
Commone.

The quhilk day, Thomas Hay of Smethfeild allegit that William Dikesone of Winkestone aucht and suld be removit becaus he hes intromettit with ane pairt of thair commone, telit and brokin the samin, quhilk the said baillies and communte hes *in communa*, incontrare his aith of fidelitie, as wes confessit be the said William Dikesone on Carcado Bank at the redding of the merchis thairof, as instrument tane in Sir Johne Allane hand be Robert Hoppringill baillie for the tyme [beris], and thairfor desyrit him to be removit as elect, and desiris the counsale and communitie and juges ansuer thairupone. To the quhilk ansueris Johne Dikesone, sone to the said lard, that the difference betuix the tovne of Peblis and his fader was referrit to tuelf burgessis, sax for the said tovne and sax for the said William, and my lord Yester, quham God assoielye, superiour, and als kepit as the said juges deliuerit, and the difference wes referrit to the said vmquhile lord and the saidis xij chosing men and na wrang in teling as the writting proportis thairupone, and allegit he aucht and suld be admittit to be elect becaus he wes admittit be the counsale of befor.

Baillies.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis: William Dikesone, [twenty-two votes]; Johne Wichtman, [twenty-six votes]; Johne Horsburgh, [forty-two votes]; Thomas Cuerhill, [three votes]; Nicholl Vache [two votes]; William Cheisholme, [three votes]. [Wichtman and Horsburgh] admittit and sworne.

16 *January* 1558.

The inqueist ordanis Johne Horsbruk baillie, accompanit with the thesaurare and ane vther honest man, pas done to Edinburgh to my lord Glasgow and Mr Johne Spence and haif consultatioun quhow thai sall vse the chaplans prebendaris of the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis that makkis na residence dailie as thair fundationes proportis, and gif thai may of new gif thair prebands or nocht and to haif his lordship ansuer heirapone. Chaplains.

Siclike, the inqueist statutis and ordanis gif ony freman within the burgh of Peblis or nychtbour solistis my lord Glasgw, or ony vther lord spirituale or temporale within the realme of Scotland, to purches ony lordschip, by avise of the counsle or communitie of the burgh of Peblis, the purcher thair of incontinent thairefter to be dischargit of thair liberte for euir without ony recounsaling agane.

And siclike, the haill inqueist ordanit Sir Johne Allane to be presentit to the prebendarie of Sanct James altare, situat within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis, and to ressaue vplift and intromet with all and sindry annuellis pertenand thairto baith in Peblis and Edinburgh in tymes cuming, that the samin yeid nocht furth of possessioun, and to append thair commoun seill to the said presentatioun as vse is in ratificatioun of the said presentatioun, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument. St James altar.

16 *March* 1558.

The haill inqueist, except James Robesone, ordanis the act and deliuerance of inqueist maid the sextene day of Januare last bypast to be red and intimat to Johne Scot be the baillies and clerk, and gif my lord of Glasgw makis ony relaxatioun of the sequestratioun of the clerkschip, except the baillies and communitie be summond thairto, that the baillies provide ane preist to serf the parrochin vnder appellatioun, and to put this act to executioun without ony delay as the baillies will ansuer of thair office. Chaplains.

5 *May* 1559.

The inqueist ordanis the sojarris and allegit men of weir to depas incontinent of the tovene without ony delay, vnder the pane of banis- Weirmen and vagabondis.

Weirmen and vagabondis. sing of the toвне, quhilkis ar vagabondis now within the liberte of burgh, to pas and vse thair lefull laubouris and craftis.

Briggis. The inqueist ordanis the tre briggis and legis of Peblis brig to be mendit be the thesaurare now quhill the watter is litill, and lay the steppis at the wicket in possible haist.

Setting houses. The inqueist ordanis that na man set ane hous within the fredome of burgh to ane vther, except thai find cautionn that all nychtbouris salbe skaithles of thame, in tymes cuning, vnder the pane of viij s. vuforgeving.

25 June 1559.

Tueddail,
Broderstanis,
textour.

It is appunctit betuix Thomas Tueddail textour, on that ane part, and Johne Broderstanis in Winkestoun, on that vther part, that is to say the said Johne Broderstanis hes conduit his sone James Broderstanis prentes to the said Thomas, for all the space and termes of vij yeris fra the feist of Witsunday last by past, quhilk salbe the said James entres to the said Thomas, and gif the said James deceis within the saidis vij yeris the saidis James brethir and sister, quhill ane of thame ar in life, sall succed to the said prenteschip, and the said Thomas sall leir the said James or ony succedand in his place during the saidis vij yeris all and sindry the poyntis of his craft, conforme to thair capacite, and conceill na poyntis thair of fra thame, and sall sustene him or thame sufficientlie in meit and drink as vse of prenteschip is, and furnis him or thame quhilk succedis yerlie during the saidis vij yeris ane sark; for the quhilk the said Johne Broderstanis sall content and pay to the said Thomas the sovrne of sex pundis gud and vsuale money of Scotland at thir termes vnderwritting, viz., thre pundis in hand, xxx s. at Mertymes in anno Domini etc. lx^o and at Mertymes in anno Domini etc. lxj^o in complet payment of the saidis vj pundis; and gif the said James or ony of thame succedand in his place will nocht remane with the said Thomas at thair craft, bot passis to his said fader, he sall nawayis authorise him or thame thairefter bot chaistify and dant thame as vse is, bot gif the falt be found in the said Thomas, be cognitioun of honest and famous witnes. In witnes heirop, ather of the saidis partiis hes subscriuit this present appunctement, with thair handis tuichand the pen, be the notare vnder writting, at thair command, becaus thai culd nocht writt thame self Providing

always that the said Johne pay to the seruice of Sanct Seuerane ane pund of walx ane pischare of aile.

Tueddill,
Broderstans,
textour.

5 July 1559.

The quhilk day, comperit James Frank in presens of the baillies and oblissis him, his airis, to content pay and deliuer to the baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, for the siluer chalice wantand in tyme of the deceis of vmqhile Sir Johne Ker chaplane of Geddes Ile, estemit to ten pundis of monei, becaus it wes notourlie knawin that the patene thairof wes thiftuslie stolling, to be payit betuix this and Sanct Andro day the apostle nixttoecum, and failyene thairof to rander the said chalice, and siclike to relief Johne Horsbruk baillie at all handis havand entres to the gudis intronettit be him that be skaitbles thairof.

Chalice.
Geddes Ile.

Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia, personaliter constitutus venerabilis vir, frater Gilbertus Brovne minister de Peblis, [In the year [etc.] In presence of me notary public and of the witnesses underwritten, personally appeared a venerable man, Gilbert Broune, minister of Peblis,] with consent and assent of freris Johne Robyn, Thomas Smyth, Johne Newtown, James Lowys, religious men, ar content to mak na title nor rycht to ony persone except my lord Yester alanerlie of the place besyde Peblis with the pertinentis, nor set na fewfermes of ony landis pertenyng thairto by my lord Yester quha sall haif the first offer thairof, he payand thairfore as vtheris will do; providing allways gif we may nocht brook and jois the samin peceabillie of the auld maner. Attour my lord, his freindis and seruandis, sall mantene and defend the said minister and convent, thair cornes medois and guddis, moveable and vnmmoveable, efter thair power. Super quibus, [etc.] Acta erant hec in aula dicte ecclesie. . . [Upon which, [etc.] Done in the hall of the said church. . .]

Minister of
Peebles and
Lord Yester.

19 July 1559.

The baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, counsalie gadderit for the commoun weill, hes electit and chosing Gilbert Tuedy, all in ane voce without ony discrepance, to the seruice of Geddes Ile for ane yere

Tuedy.
Geddes Ile.

Tuedy,
Geddes Ile.

tocum, conforme to the fundatioun maid thairupone; providing aways that the said Gilbert be ane preist within yeir and day.

Tuedy, Wicht-
man, Arnot
Hauch.

The baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, be consent of Sir Johne Tuedy chaplane of our Lady altare fundit and feft within the burgh of Peblis, to the quhilk the saidis baillies and communitie ar vndoutit patrones, to sett the four acres of land in Arnot Hauch with the pertinentis in fewferme to James Tuedy [and] Jobne Wychtman, and ordanis thair common clerk Sir Johne Allane to mak chartour thairupone in dew forme, and that for augmenting of God seruice and yerelie rent of the said chaplanrie the said James hes grantit to gif yerelie for ilk acre of land xj s. howbeid the same be yere payit alanerlie x s.

Dikesone,
clerk.

The quhilk day Johne Dikesone wes creat clerk and maid his aith as vse is to be college to Sir Johne Allane and sit in courtis ay and quhill he be dischargit, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument and protestit for the copy of the act.

31 July 1559.

Lady of Kel-
zow.

Johne Stensone, baillie to Agnes Somervell lady of Kelzow, producit ane chartour, vnder our souerane lord King James the Fift seall, quhair scho hald power to hald courtis, etc., and be vertu thairof replegit James France, attechit at the instance of Walter Thomsone, furth of this court to hir court of Kelzo to be haldin the heid court nixt efter Michaelmes nixt to cum, and the said baillie become souerte to do justice the said day and gair his collour aith as vse is, and failyene thairof to cum agane to this court; the quhilk chartour was datit at Cowpare the xvij day of December yere of God j^m v^c xxxij yere and of our Souerane Lord regne the xxj yeir, and protestit for the copy heirof quhilk the juge decernit to gif on his expensis.

For seruandis.

The inqueist ordanis that na seruandis be found on the gait vnder silence of nycht fra x houris bak, vnder the pane of banissing thame the toyne and escheting of thair feis, and als that na nychtbouris furnis thame drunk fra the said hour vnder the pane of vijj s. vnforgeving. And that na flitaris nor scauldis be hard on the gait fra this day furth in tyme cuming, vnder the pane of puttin of thame in the cuke stulis, thair to remane induring the baillies will.

Flitaris.

2 October 1559.

[John Dikesone of Winkestoun and Rowe Scot elected bailies, having received forty-three and forty-six votes, respectively].

Bailies.

11 October 1559.

The juges ordanis that na man nor woman intromet in tymes cuming with ane vther manis seruand, without speciale licence of thair maister, and if thai be fre of thair maister; and specialie with Adam Balkesky, seruand to William Bannerman for the tyme, and Johne Williamsons, seruand to William Kid; vnder the pane of warding of thair persouns that brekis this act, and to remane thair induring the baillies willis.

For seruandis.

The inqueist findis Thomas Dikesone in the wrang for the calling of Johne Edmond *common theif* and castin of his flesche stule in the gutter and brekin thairof, and siclike John Edmond in the wrang for the casting of his stule fut at him and pulling furth of ane kuyfe.

Dikesone,
Edmond.

The inqueist admittis the scoilmaister to teiche thair barneis as afore, and that he separat the ynglis redaris to the tolbutth fra the latinists, and that he mak daily residence with the barnes, and gif he techis thame mair diligentlie, quhairthrow thai consaif mair wisdome nor thai did of before, the tovne to haif consideratioun thairof.

Scoilmaister.

The inquest ordanis that na fische be coft nor sauld be regratouris in tymes cuming furth of plane mercat, vnder the pane of viij s. vuforgeving, and to be ponist conform to the actis maid of auld.

Fish.

And the inqueist ordanis the baillies, as ony commoun besynes occurris, to caus thair officieris warne the counsale on xxiiij houris warnyng in the tolbutth.

18 October 1559.

The baillies and communitie for the tyme ordanis William Johnsons and Andro Ra to be put in the linkis, becaus thai haif submittit thame in the baillies will to vnderlie correctioun for thair wiffis, quha trublit the tovne on the mercat day and dissobeyit the baillies, and thair to remane induring the baillies will quhill thai fand souerte that thair wiffis suld nocht truble the towne nor dissobey the officieris in tymes cuming.

Wives trubling
the tovne.

3 *March 1559.*

Novationes in
prayeris and
preaching.

Johne Dikesone younger of Winkestoun and Rolland Scot, baillies of Peblis, passit to the personale presens of Johne Wallace als appostat and dischargit him to vse ony new novationes of commoun prayeris or preching, becaus the said Johne wes nocht electit be the saidis baillies and parochyn, and that the said baillies wald nocht assist to him nor nane of his sect nor opinioun, becaus the saidis baillies wald stand vnder the faith and obedience of thair Prince berand autorite for the tyme, nocht beand dischargit be ane ordour and in na contemptioun of the Lordis of Congregatioun; and thairupoun the saidis baillies askit instrument. Actit anent the croce of the burgh of Peblis at nyne houris afore novne or thairby before thir witnes: Johne Horsbruk, John Fresall, George Horsbruk, Johne Cranstoun, John Dikesoun burgesses of Peblis, with vtheris diuers.

11 *March 1559.*

Portis.

The baillies hes conduit James Frank to vphald substantiousle thair portis in bandis, nales, lokkis, stapillis, snekkis and all irne graith necessare, in tymes cuming, yerelie, for xx s. of money and ane burges siluer to be payit yerelie at Mertynmes, and the said James hes bound his land for the samin.

Capitane of the
wache.

The towne hes conduit Patrik Gowane to walk nychtlie as capitane, to ressaue the towne wache nychtlie at nyne houris at ewin and to remane and await vpon thame quhill day licht, and that he accept nane to the said wache except the principale of ilk hous or ellis ane able man for him, as he will ansuer to the baillies counsale and communitie, quhill Beltane day nixt to cum, quhill salbe admittit be the said capitane; and ordanis the thesaurare to content him for his panis ane boll of malt, ane burges siluer and tua vnlawis; and gif he chanches to be absent to imput ane vther substantious man in his place quhill his returnyug to await apone the said wache, and failyene thair of the said Patrik to pay the dowble to the towne.

Middyn steid
to be roped.

The inqueist ordanis to rope be opping proclamatioun the middyn steid at the Briggait port quhill Robert Murro desyris to se quha will gif maist thairfore for commoun weill.

30 March 1560.

Anno Incarnacionis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo die vero mensis Marcii penultimo indictione tercia pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Pii diuina prouidencia pape [quarti] anno primo : In me notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus venerabilis egregiusque vir frater Gilbertus Brovne minister Sancte Crucis de Peblis alta voce exponendo et declarando qualiter Johannes magister de Maxwell cum certis armigeris in sua comitiua ad assistendum cum dominis congregationis et eo casu dictus minister pro timore vite sue et destructionis sui loci et monasterii mutabat suum habitum vestendo suum album habitum in alterum colore vulgo vocatur *gray keltour govne* et vnum lio *how blak bonet* super et a nulla auersione sue religionis antique. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse frater Gilbertus Brovne sic tremens et formidolosus a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in hospicio Willelmi Dikesone de Winkestoun infra burgum de Peblis horam circiter secundam post meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem probis viris Joanne Dikesone balliuo dicti burghi de Peblis pro tempore, Laurencio Horsbruk, Patricio

Minister of
Holy Cross.

[In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and sixty, the thirtieth day of March the fifth indiction and in the first year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord, the Lord Pius the Fourth by divine providence pope : In presence of me notary public and witnesses under written personally appeared a venerable and worthy man Brother Gilbert Broune minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles and in a loud voice set forth and declared that because John master of Maxwell with certain esquires in his company had come to aid the Lords of the Congregation, therefore the said minister for fear of his life and the destruction of his place and monastery, changed his dress by changing his white habit for a gray keltour govne and putting on a how black bonnet but not from any hatred of his old religion. Whereupon all and sundry the said brother Gilbert Broune so trembling and fearing asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the house of William Dikesone of Winkestoun within the burgh of Peebles about the second hour after noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written there being present honest men John Dikeson baillie of the said burgh of Peebles for the time, Laurence Horsbruk, Patrick Dikesone, William

Minister of
Holy Cross.

Dikesone Willelmo Dickesone burgensibus de Peblis et domino Joanne Allane notario publico, testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis.

Dikesone burgesses of Peebles, and Sir John Allane notary public witnesses to the premises specially called and required].

1 April 1560.

Frayis.

The baillies and haill inqueist ordanis gif ony man draw ane knyfe or vther wappin to baillie or vther officer in executioun of thair office, that thai salbe reput and halden as manesworne and forfalt thair fredome, and neuir to be reconsalit nor to be acceptit in court nor counsale; and siclike gif any nychtbour knaw fray or suddand tulye be nycht or day, that all maner of man nychtbouris, induellaris within the burgh, compere weill bodyn in feir of weir, as thai may be providit, to concur and assist to the saidis baillies for debait of the tovne, vnder the pane of double vnlaw.

22 April 1560.

Wache, army.

The inqueist ordanis half ane quarter of the tovne to walk nychtlie quhill the nixt court, weill armit; and ordanis the out wachis to stand still quhill the army rise, the tane to kepe the Eist Port and about that part auld vsit and wont, and the vther about the Castelhill and Auld Tovue.

28 April 1560.

Men to ryde to
my Duk.

The men suld ryde to the oist to my Duk: The tua baillies, Johne Horsbruk, Thomas Tuedy, Johne Wychtman, James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone, Arthur Johnkesone, James Robesone, Johne Scot, Patrik Dikesone, William Kid. The counsale ordanis thir tuelf men haif daylie during viij dayis ilk man vj s., and to be modifyt be the baillies quethir it salbe takin of the common gudis or brokin vtherwayis as thai think caus, and to gif thame of thair common gudis the first thre dayis quethir thai be admittit or nocht, and becaus the maist honest men abone writting to be brokin afferand to thair gudis.

18 May 1560.

Minister of
Holy Cross.

Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia pe sonaliter constitutus honorabilis vir frater Gilbertus Brovne minister

Sancte Crucis de Peblis exposuit et declaravit qualiter die hodierna Joannes Stodert officarius nobilis et potentis domini Joannis domini de Borthik accessit ad personalem presentiam dicti fratris Gilberti ministri antedicti ipsum premuniendo vigore cuiusdam cedule ad remouendum se suos et res a suo prato jacente apud Kingisland infra parochiam de Peblis et vicecomitatum eiusdem asserendo huiusmodi premonitio minime esse legitima in se ex et pro eo quod tempus premonitionis preteritum erat per spacium triginta dierum et quod dictus Joannes officarius antedictus non offerebat neque dedit dicto ministro autenticam copyam dicte cedule siue precepti contra omnes juris ordinem et statutorum parliamenti: providendo quod dictus minister persoluerit dicto nobili domino et suis factoribus pluribus aut vni de omnibus firmis dicti prati pro omnibus terminis elapsis. Quare solemniter protestabitur pro remedio juris tempore et loco congruentibus. Super quibus . . . [In the year, [etc.] In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written, personally appeared an honourable man brother Gilbert Broune, minister of the Holy Cross of Peblis, and set forth and declared how that on that very day John Stodart, officer of a noble and potent lord John Borthwik, went to the personal presence of the said brother Gilbert, minister aforesaid, and warned him by virtue of a certain schedule to remove himself his family and goods from his field lying at Kingisland within the parish of Peblis and sheriffdom thereof, and asserted that the said warning was not in itself lawful because the term of warning was passed for a period of thirty days, and that the said John, the aforesaid officer, did not offer or give to the said minister a true copy of the said schedule or precept, against all order of law and the statutes of the kingdom; providing that the said minister paid to the said noble lord and his factors, one or more, all the rents of the said field for all terms bypast. Wherefore he solemnly protested for remed of law at a fitting time and place. Whereupon . . .]

Minister of
Holy Cross.

29 September 1560.

Sir Johne Allane was creat clerk of the said burgh to vse the office thair of lelelie and treulie, and maid his aith as vse is, and thairupon askit instrument.

Sir John
Allane, clerk.

[John Dikesone and James Tuedy elected bailies, having received forty one and thirty two votes, respectively; sworn and admitted.]

Bailies.

14 October 1560.

The inqueist ordanis to put down James Stewart biggyn in the Auld Tovne newlie biggit, be the baillies and counsals sworne thairto, gif thai

Buildings
taken down.

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think ony hurt thairintill, and all vtheris rowmes and choppis on the hie gait that thai think ony hurt to the tovne and commoun weil.

27 October 1560.

Gudis in the
archidene
place.

Johne Dikesone, baillie and factour to Allane Dikesone, ressait of the insycht gudis in the archidene place in Peblis, at command of the said Allane writting direct to William Kelle, kepare of the said place for the tyme, be the said William confessioun and deliuerance :—Item, in primis, tua beddis wantand the sydis nixt the wall, togidder with ane burd at the fut and heid of the saidis beddis, ane vescheil alnery, xj daillis, ij pecis of daillis pertenant to the revestry, tua daillies pertenant to the archidene, sax fir sparris, sax akin sparris, thre caber sparris of fir, viij pece of auld tymber of Sanct Michael land, ane garddewyot, the key thairof in William Kelle hand, ane fedder bed, ane wardour, ane burd without credill, tua stand beddis, ane pot, ane payr of sand pokkis, ane obseruatur of irne to the ewcharist, ane certane new gles, ane irne chyrtanay ; and the said William discharges the said Johne of ony forthir intromission except thir gudis abone writting alanerlie.

30 October 1559.

Choppis and
biggynnis.

The haill inqueist ordanis the baillies to gang till all and sindry choppis and new biggynnis within the burgh of Peblis, baith in Auld and New Towne, accompanit with the maist part of the counsale, and sycht the samin within four dayis, and sycht the saidis choppis and biggynnis that is biggit by ane ordour of ground title, and caus craftismen incoutinent on the tovne expensis remoif the samin safar as thai hurt ony libertie or commoun weil, and thai that hes title to produce the samin in the meintyme within xlvij houris, and imputtis the wyte thairof to the saidis baillies gif ony perellis occuris thairthrow.

Quene of
Yngland's
marriage.

The said day, James Wilsone and Stene Robesone maid ane bargane and bouspule on this maner, viz., the said James weddit ane tar barrale that the Quene grace of Yngland suld mary the king of Swane sua scho war marrit with any man for ane yere, and Stene Robesone weddit ten merkis of money aganes the said tar barrell that scho suld nocht mary the said king of Swane.

20 *November* 1560.

The baillies and communitie ordanis the baillies till gang till Edinburgh to the Lordis of Congregation to provide ane minister and precheour, and vther commoun effaris concernyng commoun weill. Lords of congregation.

The baillies and communitie ordanis the auld actis and statutis of the pykaris to be obseruit and kept, and gif ony man will apprehend ony pykaris, sic as steling of caill, erbis, scheip, petis, tirvis, hedder, cornis or ony vther gudis, or ressait of ony thevis, on fut or hors, quha will mak it knawin to the baillies and counsale thai sall haif for thair panes xx s. and mair as the falt requiris, that thairefter the saidis pykaris may be pvnist conforme to thair demeritis and banist the tovne. Pykaris.

28 *November* 1560.

The baillies and counsale of the burgh of Peblis, convenit in the tolbuth of the said burgh, modifiit Johne Dikesone, minister of the commoun prayeris in our kirk of Peblis, fourty pundis vsuale money of Scotland for his seruice of this instant yere, anno Domini, etc., ane thowsand v^c and lx yeris, and to be vpliftit be the said Johne Dikesone, minister forsaid, of the reddiest of the persoun gudis and geirris; and in caice the said Johne be nocht thankfullie ansuerit of this his feall we the saidis baillies desyris the saidis lordis of secreit counsale at our requeist, for fortificatioun thairof, to gif him letteris to be ansuerit conforme to the consuetude of vtheris burrois, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument. Minister.

11 *December* 1560.

The haill inquest can gif na deliuerance on the pure folkis billis, viz., Robert Atzin wife, Mergreit Dikesone, Andro Ra, becaus thai haif na commoun gude in pos, bot gif the baillies wilbe sa gud to collect in the burges siluer restand vnpayit and ansuer ilk ane of thame respectiue of ane part of the samin efferand to thair habilite. Pure folkis.

The inquist ordanis the baillies and counsall to convene on Friday nixtocum and pas through the tovne and note thame that ar culpable in ony publiet falt, to preif thame, on ane secreit maner, to reforme thame seffis Publiet falts.

Publick faults. conforme to the law of God, and assign ane day to thame to do the samin, and quha beis dissobedient to be publictlie pvnist conforme to the rite of vtheris burrois.

Parish Church. Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti honorabiles viri Jacobus Tuedy et Joannes Dikesone balliui burgi de Peblis vna cum consilio dicti burgi accesserunt ad personalem presentiam Gilberti Brovne ministri de Peblis habentes et tenentes suis in manibus quandam literam dominorum secreti consilii ipsum Gilbertum humiliter requirendo quatenus desiderium huiusmodi litere perimpleret quam mihi notario publico subscripto perlegendam publicandam et in publicam instrumenti formam redigendam tradidit, cuius tenor sequitur sub hac forma et est talis: [In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written personally appeared honourable men James Tuedy and John Dikesone baillies of the burgh of Peebles and went with the council of the said burgh to the personal presence of Gilbert Broune minister of Peblis having and holding in their hands a certain letter of the Lords of Secret Council and humbly asked him to implement the desire of the said letter which he delivered to me notary public subscribing to be read published and drawn up in form of public instrument; of which the tenor follows under the form and is thus:] My Lordis of Secrete counsale vnto your lordschippis mcnis and schewis we your seruitouris the burgessis and inhabitantis of the toun of Peblis that quhair our parochie kirk wes brint and distroyit be Yngland xii yeris syne or thairby and the same may on na wayis be biggit at this present but lang proceis and greit expensis and the Trinite Freris kirk is as yit standand and is verray commodius to ws to be our parochie kirk and we sall addres the samin in all sortes as efferis and exclude furth of the samin all maner of ydolatri becaus instantlie we ar destitute and wantis ane kirk quhairthrow we may nocht resorte at tyme convenient to the preching of Goddis word and ministerie of the sacramentis as appirtenis to christianis to haif thairfore we besik your lordschippis to grant ws ye said Freir kirk to be our parochie kirk and gif till ws your lordschippis command to be our warrand for intro-missioun thairwith to the effect foirsaid according to justice and your lordschippis ansuer humlie we besik. Sequuntur subscriptiones dominorum secreti consilii. Apud Edinburgh septimo Decembris anno Domini etc. sexagesimo. Fiat vt petitur. James, James Stewart, Wehltre, Johne Erskin, Cuningameheid, Johne Wischert. Post cuiusquidem litere perlec-

turam et publicationem idem Gilbertus Brovne miuister de Peblis ea reuerenca qua dicit obtemperauit et obediuit et possessionem dicte ecclesie secundum tenorem et desiderium eiusdem prefatis balliuis nomine dictorum parochianorum dedit per deliberacionem clauis ostii anterioris eiusdem. Prouidendo quod huiusmodi possessio non erit in preiudicium annuorum reddituum et proficuorum predicti loci et conventus eiusdem sed in illorum vsus permaneant sicut consuetum fuerat temporibus transactis absque preiudicio predicti ministri et conventus eiusdem. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipsi balliui nomine et ex parte consulum predicti burgi a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in dicta ecclesia horam circiter vndecimam ante meridiem sub anno die mense iudicione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem discretis viris magistro Joanne Colquhone decano Christianitatis de Peblis, Dionisio Elphinstoun de Henderstoun, Joanne Newtoun, Thoma Smyth, religiosis, et Willelmo Dikesone, testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatus et requisitis. [Follow the signatures of the Lords of Secret Council. At Ediuburgh the seventh of December in the year of God etc. sixty. Let it be done as prayed. James, James Stewart, Uchiltre, Johne Erskin, Cuningameheid, Johne Wischert. After the reading and publishing of which letter the said Gilbert Brovne minister of Peebles with the reverence which became him fulfilled and obeyed the same and gave possession of the said church according to the tenor and desire thereof to the foresaid bailies in name of the said parishioners by delivery of the key of the outer door thereof. Providing that the said possession should not be in prejudice of the annual rents and profits of the foresaid place and convent but that they should remain for their use as was accustomed in times past without prejudice to the foresaid minister and convent thereof. Whereupon all and sundry the said bailies, in name and behalf of the councillors of the foresaid burgh, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to them one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the said church about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month iudiction and pontificate above-written, there being present discreet men master John Colquhone dean of the Christianity of Peebles, Dionysius Elphinstoun of Henderstoun, John Newtoun, Thomas Smyth, clerks, and William Dikesone, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

Eodem die anno loco et testibus suprascriptis Gilbertus Brovne miuister Sancte Crucis de Peblis protestabatur quod obedientia et obtemperancia sua facta de litera dominorum secreti consilii balliuis dicti burgi de Peblis penes ecclesiam suam non erit in preiudicium suorum annuorum reddituum et pro-

Parish Church.

Parish Church. ficuorum predicti loci et conuentus eiusdem sed quod in illorum vsus maneant permaneant sicut consuetum fuerat temporibus transactis absque preiudicio dicti ministri et conuentus eiusdem et super hiis petiit instrumentum. [On the same day year and place, and before the aforesaid witnesses, Gilbert Broune, minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles, protested that his obedience and fulfilment of the letter of the lords of the secret council to the bailies of the said burgh of Peebles concerning his church should not be to the prejudice of his annual rents and profits of the foresaid place and convent thereof but that the same should remain for their use as custom was in times past, without prejudice to the said minister and the convent thereof, and thereupon he asked an instrument.]

In me notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honestus vir Dionisius Elphingstoun de Henderstoun, nomine et mandato parochianorum parochie de Peblis commorantium in rure, quod ipse et ceteri parochiani noluerunt consentire quod dicta ecclesia sancte crucis non esset eorum ecclesia parochialis ex et pro eo quod dicti parochiani dissentiebant prout tenore presentis instrumenti dissentiunt non obstante donatione abtenta de predicta ecclesia per balliuos burgi de Peblis pro tempore. Insuper dictus Dionisius, nomine et mandato dictorum parochianorum in rure commorantium infra parochiam de Peblis, requisiiuit humiliter rectorem parochie de Peblis si aliquis fuerit aut eius factores eius nomine et similiter requisiiuit humiliter vicarium aut eius ministrum ad faciendum ministracionem orationum communium et sacramentorum in eorum ecclesia parochiali beati Andree de Peblis more solito secundum tenorem eorum provisionum desuper obtentorum secundum ritum nunc temporis regni Scocie seruantem ipse Dionisius ministrare voluerit per se sicuti Joannes Dikesone ministravit ex et pro eo quod ipse non nouit aliquem ministrum electum per dominos secreti consilii aut aliter per parochianos vt consuetum est nunc temporis protestando solemniter pro remedio juris tempore et loco congruentibus. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse Dionisius Elphingstoun nomine et mandato dictorum parochianorum commorantium in rure infra dictam parochiam de Peblis a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica, instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in dicta ecclesie sancte crucis horam circiter vndecimam ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem discretis viris, Magistro Joanne Colquhone decano Christianitatis de Peblis, Thoma Hay magistro de Yester, Andrea Hay seruitore dicte Thome Hay, Ronaldo Scot burgense de Peblis et Willelmo Dikesone

de Winkestoun. *testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis.* Parish Church. [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written personally appeared an honest man Dionysius Elphinstoun of Henderstoun, and in the name and at the command of the parishioners of the parish of Peebles who dwell in the country, and stated that he and the other parishioners would not consent that the said church of Holy Cross should be their parish church, like as the said parishioners dissented and by the tenor of the present instrument dissent therefrom, notwithstanding the gift of the foresaid church obtained by the bailies of Peebles for the time. Moreover the said Dionysius, in the name and at the command of the said parishioners dwelling in the country within the parish of Peebles, humbly required the rector if there was one, or his factors in his name, and likewise humbly required the vicar or his minister to perform the service of common prayers and sacraments in their parish church of St Andrew of Peebles in accustomed form, according to the tenor of their provisions thereupon obtained, agreeably to the rite of the kingdom of Scotland now observed, and he the said Dionysius wished to minister by himself in the same way as John Dikesone had ministered, because he did not know any minister had been elected by the Lords of the Secret Council or otherwise by the parishioners as was then accustomed, protesting solemnly for remeid of law at a fitting time and place. Upon which all and sundry the said Dionysius Elphinstoun, in the name and on the behalf of the said parishioners dwelling in the country within the said parish of Peebles, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the said church of the Holy Cross about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written. There being present discreet men Master John Colquhone dean of the Christianity of Peebles, Thomas Hay master of Yester, Andrew Hay servant of the said Thomas Hay, Ronald Scot burgess of Peebles and William Dikesone of Winkestoun, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Thomas Hay magister de Yester accessit ad personalem presentiam honorabilium virorum Jacobi Tuedy et Joannis Dikesone balliuorum burgi de Peblis pro tempore solemniter protestando quod donatio ecclesie sancte crucis de Peblis obtente per balliuos dicti burgi a dominis secreti consilii pro ecclesia parochiali de Peblis fiende non esset in preiudicium sui tituli et prioris premissi sibi facte per Gilbertum Brovne ministrum dicte ecclesie vt lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse Thomas Hay a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in pretorio burgi de Peblis horam circiter duodecimam in meredie sub anno die mense

Parish Church. *indictione et pontificatu quibus supra. Presentibus ibidem discretis viris Andrea Hay seruitore dicti Thome Joanne Mathesone, Adamo Gilleis et Kentigerno Williamsone testibus ad premissa rogatis et specialiter et requisitis.* [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written personally appeared an honourable man Thomas Hay master of Yester and went to the personal presence of honourable men, James Tuedy and John Dikesone baillies of the burgh of Peebles for the time, solemnly protesting that the gift of the church of the Holy Cross of Peebles obtained by the baillies of the said burgh from the lords of the secret council to be made the parish church of Peebles, should not be in prejudice of his title and prior provision made to him by Gilbert Brovne minister of the said church, as clearly appeared. Whereupon all and sundry the said Thomas Hay asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the Tolbooth of the burgh of Peebles about the twelfth hour of noon of the year month day indiction and pontificate above written. There being present discreet men Andrew Hay servant of the said Thomas, John Mathesone, Adam Gilleis and Mungo Williamsone, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

12 December 1560.

Minister.

Robert Hesilhope and Robert Scot burgessis of Peblis, coniunctlie and seueralie, ar becummyng souertes and causionaris for the releif of the cornes presentlie standand in the archidene yard within the burgh of Peblis, arrestit at Johne Dikesone instance as reddyest gudis and geir for the payment of forty pundis of money to the said Johne conforme to the modification maid be the counsale, as law will for the saidis cornes intronettit with maister William Currou, and for the causes forsaidis James Tuedy baillie relaxit the said arreistament maid on the saidis cornes and acceptit this present act thairnponne.

20 December 1560.

Adulteraris
and fornica-
touris.

The souerteis of the adulteraris and fornicatouris, tane be the consale, to mary or ellis abstene in tymes cuming :—Katherine Mc Gowane fand Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, to mary or ellis abstene. Cristiane Litill fand Rowe Scot, souerte. James Poynt fand Johne Dikesone souerte that he sall fulfill the band with Katherine Andersone. William Rechartsone hand and land to abstene fra bannyng and blasphematioun of the naym of God. John Dikesone fand his hand and land to abstene fra Helene

Achesone. Andro Ra souerte for his wife for flyting. Jonet Thomsone fand Rowe Scot souerte to abstene fra Robert Hillsonne. Sir Johne Allane fand his hand and land souertie till abstene fra Margreit Dik. Jonet Gibsone and George Elphingstoun to convene on Sunday nixt to cum afore the congregatioun to mak his aith quethir he promist to mary hir or nocht. [Eight other persons come under obligations similar to the above.] All thir persones vnder the panes contentit in the deliuerance of the inqueist, maid the xi day of December instant.

Adulteraris
and fornicatouris.

The baillies and counsale decernis Thomas Thomsone ane adulterare, and to remoif his concuby Jonet Foulare fra him betuix this and Sunday nixtocum, and to convene the said day in face of the congregatioun and ask God Almychty forgifnes and the congregatioun for all offences bygane that he hes done to his lauchfull wife Cristian Wilkesone, and to be cartit on Tuesday nixtocum in presens of the mercat, and thairefter to pas serce and seik the said Cristiane his spous quhair scho can be apprehendit, betuix this and the purificatioun of our Lady nixt tocum, and bring ane sufficient testimoniall of his exact diligence quhethir scho be deid or levand, vnder the panes contentit in the said act.

And siclike ordanis Johne Naper and Cristian Rechartsonne, Isabell Goudon, Robert Murro, Christian Phillip, to be cartit for thair inobediencie.

The baillies and counsale ordanis that na man nor woman wirk in tymes cuming on the Sabaoth day, vnder the panis of viij s. the first falt, xvj s. the secund falt, and banissing of the tovne the thrid falt.

Sabaoth day.

Ordanis the baillies to pas to Edinburgh to the lordis and get ane minister to schaw the trew word of God, and to modify him ane resonable fee quhairthrow he may haif his honest sustentatioun thairfore, and to direct thair letteres to performe the samin.

Minister.

27 January 1560.

Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constituti honorabiles viri Jacobus Tuedy et Joannes Dikesone balliui burgi de Peblis vna cum communitate eiusdem accesserunt ad per-

Parish Church.

In the year [etc.] In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared honourable men James Tuedy and John Dikesone baillies of the burgh of Peblis, and together with the community thereof, went

Parish Church. sonalem presenciam honesti viri Gilberti Broun ministri de Peblis et ibidem ipsum secundum desiderium dominorum congregationis humiliter requisierunt quatenus ipse Gilbertus deliberaret dictis balliuis et communitati burgi de Peblis suam ecclesiam dictis balliuis et communitati quatenus huiusmodi ecclesiam in sua ecclesia parochiali permaneret. Quiquidem minister obtemperavit desiderio dictorum balliuorum et communitatis deliberando dictis balliuis in signum sue obedientie claves dicti ecclesie sic vt in posterum pacificam haberent possessionem in et ad huiusmodi ecclesiam tanquam suam ecclesiam parochialem temporibus futuris, qui balliui huiusmodi claves receperunt. Et ulterius dictus minister ordinavit ceteros suos confratres et conventus se dispersos temporibus futuris tenerent ne post hac in huiusmodi loco conuenerunt protestando solemniter dictus minister quod eius obedientia penes deliberationem dictarum clauium prefate ecclesie predictis balliuis non esset in preiudicium proficuorum et annuorum reddituum dieti loci et conventus eiusdem sed quod vsus eorundem permanebit sibi ministro et conventui eiusdem durate ipsorum vita vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse minister a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in dicta ecclesia hora circiter ix ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus

to the personal presence of an honest man Gilbert Broun minister of Peblis and there humbly requested the said Gilbert, according to the desire of the lords of the congregation, to yield up his church to the said baillies and community of the burgh of Peebles that the same might remain with the said baillies and community as their parish church, which minister fulfilled the desire of the said baillies and community by delivering to the said baillies in sign of his obedience the keys of the said church that they might have henceforward quiet possession of and in the said church as their parish church in time coming; which baillies received the said keys. And moreover the said minister commanded his other brethren and the convent to live separate in time coming and not to assemble thereafter in the said place; the said minister protesting solemnly that his obedience in delivering the said keys of the aforesaid church to the said baillies should not be in prejudice of the profits and annual rents of the said place and convent thereof, but that the use thereof should remain with him the minister and the convent thereof during their lives, as to me notary public clearly appeared. Whereupon all and sundry the said minister asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the said church about the ninth hour before noon of the year day month

supra presentibus, ibidem honestis viris Jacobo Wilsone: Joanne Scot, Andrea Thorbrand et Kentigerno Williamone, incolis burgi de Peblis testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis. Parish Church.

Eodem die anno loco et testibus suprascriptis honorabilis vir Thomas Smyth olim religiosus nomine et ex parte conventus dicti loci respondebat quod pro nullo modo separati fuerint de loco pro vlllo crimine aut culpa notorio et quod fuerunt omnibus temporibus transactis a die insurrectionis dominorum congregationis obedientes in omnibus dictorum dominorum prout de presenti extant obedientes in singulis sibi per nos eüs impositis protestando vt supra quod predicta separatio eorum non preiudicaret eüs de eorum annuis proficuis et vitalibus redditibus. Et super his petiit instrumentum vnum seu plura vt supra.

indiction and pontificate above-written, there being present honest men: James Wilsone, John Scot, Andrew Thorbrand and Mungo Williamone, inhabitants of the burgh of Peblis, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.

On the same day year and place, and before the before-written witnesses, an honourable man Thomas Smyth, formerly a religious man, in the name and behalf of the said convent, protested that they were in no way separated from the place for any crime or notorious fault, and that they had been in times past from the day of the insurrection of the lords of the congregation obedient, in all things to the said lords, likeas they would be still obedient in anything they should require of them, protesting as above that the foresaid separation should not prejudice them of their annual profits and life rents. And upon this he asked instruments one or more as before.

10 February 1560.

The quhilk day, John Dikesone prolocoutour for Gilbert Brovne, wardane of the Trinite freris, tuk instrument that it wes fund be interloquoutour that the said wardane suld ansuer afore the baillies as ane mychtbour, and Johne Dikesone foirsaid protestit that the said interloquoutour suld nocht be preiudiciale to the said wardane iurisdiction and privelege in tymes coming.

Wardane of
the Trinite
freris.

The quhilk day, towart the persute of Katherine Wilsone actioun, the relict of vmquhile Ninane Lowys, on that ane part, complemand on Gilbert Brovne, wardane of the Trinite freris, on that vther part, and the said Katherine persewit the said Gilbert Brovne, Johne Wilsone and Robert Wilsone his sone, of the spule allegit spulyeit be the saidis Johne and Robert Wilsone; in respect thair of the said Katherine desyrit the baillies of our burgh of Peblis in jugement to be juge competent to the said actioun, con-

Wardane of
the Triuite
freris.

forme to the requeist and desyre of my Lord Duke Graces missiue direct to thame thairupone, subscriit vnder his Graces signet and subscripitioun manuale, of the dait at Edinburgh the xvij day of Januare yere of God j^m v^c lx yeris; and sua at the comperance of the said Gilbert Brovne, wardane foirsaid, the saidis baillies requirit and desyrit of him gif he wald admit thame as juge competent to take cognitioun in the said spulye, and the said wardane foirsaid denyit to admit the said baillies as juges competent becaus it lvis nocht in the baillies commissioun to sit upone spulye, and be vertu of the saidis allegeancis procedit na ferther in the said actioun.

Johne Dikesone,
customer.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone is admittit to collect and gadder the small customes of the burgh of Peblis for ane yere nixt heirefter followand, payand heirfore aughtene merkis thre schillinguis iij d., and sall raise na novationes vtheris nor hes bene thir hundreth yeris bygane, and sall vphald the metlunniis ferlottis and peckis, weis, wey balkis and wechtis, sufficientlie, and deliuer the samin als gud as he ressauis thame, viz., viij ferlottis, four pekkis, and sall mak payment thairof as vse is to the chakkar and xx dayis afore the ische of the yere and bring discharge thairof for the yere bygane and this present yere baith, and fund Johne Horsbruk and Rolland Scot, coninectlie and seueralie, sonerties for payment of the samin, and the said Johne oblist for thair releif.

3 March 1560.

Rude a. 10.

The juge and haill communitie, as vndouttit patrones of the rude altare, with consent and assent of Sir James Daidsonne chaplane thairof, [hes set] the rude acre in fewferme to Gilbert Hay, payand thairfore yerelie to the said chaplane and his successouris xj s. gude and vsuale money, at tua vsuale termes, conforme to the chartour maid thairupone, and thairupone the said Gilbert askit instrument.

21 June 1561.

Bedellis, pure
folk.

The counsale ordanis James Douchell to rander the keyis of the west wolt vnder the tolbutth to the officiaris for the ressait of pure folkis, decrepit bedellis, to be harbryit thairintill, and to warne James Douchell to red his holis within certane dayis that the ledder now in the saidis hoilis may be esy tane furth of the same, and the claus of warrandice to be dissoluit, and als ordanis the stallenges to be brokin efter nowne.

And siclike ordanis Thomas Tuedy, thesaurare, and Patrik Newtown, to collect and gadder the cherite and almous to the pure for ane moneth nixt heirefter, begynnand on Sunday nixtocum, and the thing collectit to be equalie distribute amangnis the bedellis and pure folk efter thair discretioun.

Cherite and
almous.

Sielike, ordanis the officeris to pas to all and sindry fornicatouris and warne thame to remoif and separat thame selffis sindry betuix this and Monunday nixtocum, and failyene thairof to be publictlic pvnyst according to thair demeritis, and speciale thame quhilk hes of before manesworne vtheris, makkand intimatioun quha dissobeyis salbe banist the tovne.

Fornicatouris.

And als providis all and sindry houshaldaris within this burgh that hes ony seruandis, men or women, that is fundin culpable of ony fornicatioun in tymes cuming fra this day furth that thair maisteris mantemaris thairof sal pay x li vnforgeving, and the trespassouris to be brynt on the cheik with ane irne, and als all selanderis to be pvnist in maner foirsaid and be banist the tovne for euir.

Fornicatouris
and selanderis.

19 July 1561.

Ordanis ane of the baillies, with thre or four honest men, pas done to Edinburgh and rais letteres apone Gledstanis and his complices for the slauchter of William Bell.

Slauchter of
William Bell.

The baillies counsale and communite, present for the tyme, ordanit Thomas Tuedy, thesaurare of the burgh of Peblis, to ansuer thair commoun seruand and oratour Sir Johne Allane, prebendare of Sanct Johne altare situat within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis, of xxviiij libr. of the annuellis of the said altare restand awand to him bygane, and siclike yerelie and termelie in tymes cuming, conforme to his provisioun and Quenis graces letteres direct thairupone vnder the panes contentit in the saidis letteres, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court.

Allane, pre-
bendar of
Sanct Johne.

4 August 1561.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to sycht the towrpykis in Edinburgh and cheppis, and thairefter ordanis the saidis baillies accompanit with thair nychtbouris and honest men of the burgh of Peblis thairefter to sycht the

Towrpykis and
cheppis.

Towrpykis and chepis. said cheppis within the burgh of Peblis and to vse thame efter the consuetude of Edinburgh; providing alwayis thai haif thair aduocat consultatioun heirintill.

6 October 1561.

Baillies. Patrik Dikesone and Johne Horsbruk [with sixty two and forty four votes, respectively,] electit baillies, sworne and maid thair athis as vse is, and admittit.

14 October 1561.

Strangearis. It is statut that na strangearis be ressaut vnder silence of nycht within the liberte of the burgh bot that the samin be maid manifest to the baillies, and that thai remaine quhill the morn day lycht and ansuer for thame that na man be plentus of thame.

Flescheouris. Item, that na flescheouris duelland in landwart sel ony flesche within the liberte of burgh in small partis bot in hail carkaces or leggis in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving.

Ravissing. Item, the inqueist ordanis Robert Bullo to comper on Sunday nyxttocum in presens of the congregatioun and thair ask Merioun Stensone forgifnes for the ravissing of hir, and gif he refusis this correctioun to be bound with ane paper about his heid on the mercat day at the croce and remane thair publictlie for xxiiij houris.

3 November 1561.

The counsale. The counsale electit for this present yere:—Johne Dikesone, James Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy, William Dikesone, Rolland Scot, Johne Wychtman, Johne Dikesone yonger, Johne Scot persone, William Dikesone yonger, Nicholl Vache, James Frank, George Horsbruk, Robert Hesilhope, Stene Robesone, Johne Fresall, John Cranstoun, Arthour Johnkesone, James Govane elder, Thomas Patersone, Johne Wilsone, Mertyn Hay.

The baillies and hail communitie hes electit thir personis abone writting to be thair counsale for ane yere, quhilkis wer sworne and admittit; and that na thing be done in tymes cuming without avise of the counsale and baillies, and gif ony thingis be done without avise of the saidis baillies and counsale to be of nane effect.

7 November 1561.

The counsall ordanis the outland burgesis to pay x lib. to furnis the baillies and nychtbouris to Jedburgh, and failyene thair of to call thame to ane peremptour court and deprive thame of thair liberte, and ordanis the baillies to call thame be attchement to the nixt court.

Outland burgeses.

19 January 1561.

The inqueist fyndis James Frank wife in the wrang in the vsing Jonet Patersons rovme in the milne aganes hir willing, pulling of hir corsay of hir heid, and rugging of hir hair.

Milne, assault.

4 February 1561.

The baillies counsall and communitie of the burgh of Peblis hes set thair small customes of the burgh of Peblis to Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, for ane yere, customer, payand heirfore twenty pundis of money. . . .

The custum setting.

5 February 1561.

The baillies counsall and communitie of the burgh of Peblis hes electit and chosing thir persones vnder writting elderis and senioris, baith in burgh and land, to vse thair offices trewlie to the setting furth of the glory of God and his trew and faithfull word and pvnishment of transgressouris of his holy commandementis as efferis, conforme to the laudabill vse and rite of vtheris burrowis, inuiolabile to be obseruit in tymes cuming, of the quhilkis the names followis :

Elders, seniors and deacons.

Elderis and senioris:—James Robesone, Johne Scot, Johne Wychtman, James Frank, James Tuedy, William Dikesone elder, Johne Fresall, Thomas Tuedy, Denys Elphingstoun, Thomas Tuedy capitane.

Deaconis:—Arche Scot, Alexander Lauder, David Robesoun younger, Patrik Newtown, James Wilsone, Rolland Scot, William Dikesone and in his absence Johne Dikesone.

The elderis and decanis hes electit and chosing Johne Allane to be thair minister in tymes cuming, conforme to Johne Willock and Johne Daidson, ministeris in Glasgw, admissioun, desyrand effectuslie Johne Knox, superintendent of Edinburgh, to admit the same be his subscriptioun manuale in corroboratioun of the superintendence of Glasgw admissioun ; and thairupone

Minister.

- Minister.** the said Jolme Allane askit instrument and protestit for the names of the saidis elderis and decanis and for the rolment of court. And forthir ordanit thair thesaurare to ansuer the said Johne of v merkis of money of thair commoun gudis to gang to Edinburgh to the preching and exercise to beir his expensis, etc.
- Meill.** It is statut and ordanit be the baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis that na man that cumis to this mercat to by meill on the mercat day be ansuerit quhill the tovne and schyre be first seruit, and that na coupparis by na mair meill nor he will turs away to staik him self on horsbak to the nixt mercat day ; and that nane be set nor ressaut in houssis be ony of the nychtbouris or induellaris within the burgh, vnder the pane of escheting of the same.
- Malt.** Siclike, that na ground malt be sauld in landward be bocht be ony nychtbouris or induellaris of the burgh in tymes cuming except it be presentit to the mercat croce, vnder the pane of escheting of the same that brekis this present act.
- Kirk gudis.** Siclike, ordanis that the gudis and geyr presentlie within the Hie Kirk and kirk dykis, to be arrestit be the sheref officer and officiaris of the burgh, that nane be tane away in tyme cuming, vnder the pane of ten pundis to be payit without ony mercy, and forthir to be accusit as accordis of the law.
- The deking of the wobstaris.** The counsale ordanis the wobstaris till haif ane deking yeirlie, to be chosing at Michaelmes, induring the baillies will, vsand thame in all sortes conforme to the rest of vtheris burrowis, and in speciale as Dundee and Edinburgh, and conforme to thair auld rolment of court productit thairupone.
- Toun's libertie.** The consale ordanis the baillies and thesaurare gang done till Edinburgh to the Queenis grace and se gif thai can get ane new confirmatioun of thair libertie conforme to the auld confirmationes grantit of before be hir graces progenitouris.

2 March 1561.

Dekyng of wobstaris elected.

Johne Wilsone is electit dekyng to the wobstaris quhill Michaelmes nixtocum, conforme to the ordour of vtheris burrowis ; and to collect thair wolklie penny and to be distribute be sycht of the baillies to the pure folkis, and for thair laute fand Johne Dikesone of Melvingland souerte.

The inqueist ordanis the vestmentis to be ropit and quha will gif maist thairfore to be anserit thairof betuix this and Weddynnisday nixtocum, and the money gotting for thame to be distribute to pure houshaldaris be avise of the counsale and baillies.

Vestmentis.

4 *March* 1561.

The counsale hes chosing James Tuedy [and seven others] to gif vp the pure houshaldaris and pure folk within thair quarteris as thai maist mister conforme to thair indigeuce, that the money gotting for the vestmentis may be distribut amangnis thame be thair discretioun, and the baillies to tak the billis vndeliuerit with avise of the said chosing men abone writting and deliuer thairupone be thair discretioun les or mair as thai think maist expedient.

Vestmentis,
pure folk.

The counsale statutis and ordanis that the decanis sall, euery ane in thair quarter, gif vp trewlie all fornicatouris, adulteraris, beraris of fals witnes, sklenderaris, pykaris, blasphemaris of God name, and quhatsumeury vtheris transgressouris of the commandementis of God, to ressaue thair correctioun be thair avise and avise of the counsall, that condigne pvnishment may be put to thame as God word dois appoynt; and that the same act be put to executioun, and that the saidis offendouris names to be registrat betuix this and the xij day of Merche instant.

Fornicatouris,
etc.

18 *May* 1562.

In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constitutus honestus vir Ronaldus Scot thesaurarius burgi de Peblis pro tempore nomine et mandato balliuorum consulum et communitatis dicti burgi exposuit et declarauit qualiter balliui consules et communitas dicti burgi de Peblis perambulauerant more solito metas antiquas et diuisas inter proprietatem dicti burgi vulgo vocatam Caidmuir et metas de Bonyntoun,

Marches of
Caidmuir, &c.

In presence of me, notary public, and witnesses under written, personally appeared an honest man, Ranald Scot, treasurer of the burgh of Peblis for the time, and in the name and at the command of the baillies, councillors, and community of the said burgh, set forth and declared that the baillies, councillors, and community of the said burgh of Peblis had perambulated, in accustomed form, the ancient meillis and marches between the property of the said burgh anciently

Marches of
Caidmur, &c.

Cruxtoun, Hundelishope, Halyardis, Miltoun et merche dike spectantes et pertinentes herediarie heredibus earundem et precipue Joanni Gledstanis de Cokelaw et in perambulatione dictarum metaram inter dictas terras nullum obiectum fuerit impedimentum sed easdem pacifice perambulauerunt nullo contradictione vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus.

called Caidmur and the marches of Bonyntoun, Cruxtou, Hundelishope, Halyairdis, Miltoun, and Merchdyke, pertaining and belonging heritably to the heritors thereof, and specially to John Gledstanis of Cokelaw and heirs, that in perambulating the said marches between these lands no impediment was made, but they were peacefully perambulated, no one contradicting, as clearly appeared to me, notary public subscribing. Whereupon, etc.

27 June 1562.

Redare and
exhortare of
common
prayeris.

Johne Dikesone, admittit redare and exhortare of the common prayeris be Johne Willock superattendent in Glasgw, producit his testimoniales of his admissioun thairto, of the quhilk the tennour followis: Knaw ye loving christin peple that als weil apone auld experience, profe, also faithfull witnessing of the life and conversatioun of Johne Dikesone, I haif appointed him to continew in Peblis quhair he hes duelt for the space of thre yeris past, thair to vse the common prayeris and exhortationes vnto the peple according to the portioun of his gift, to be I meyn redare and exhortare thair, praying yow, according to the rewl of Paule, vse him godlie and cheritable, that he may be conforteid in his office, as appertenis vnto the dewtie of christin persones. Subseriuit with the said Johne Willock hand, at Glasgw, the xx day of Junii yere of God j^m v^c lxij yeris. And thairefter the said testimoniales beand producit in iugement, in presens of the baillies counsale and communitie, thai admittit the samin and ordanit the said Johne to be anserit according to the modificatioun of the act maid thairapone of before be the saidis baillies counsale and communitie of the dait the xxvij day of Nouember yere of God j^m v^c lx yeris; apone the quhilkis the said Johne askit instrument.

7 July 1562.

Gledstanis,
Caidmur.

The maist part of the counsale beand conuenit, with auise of the baillies,

ordanis certane honest men ryde to Striveling to the Quenis grace and meyn thair caus anentis the lard of Gledstanis, and nominatis Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Dikesone, baillies ; Rowe Scot, Johne Dikesone of Winkestoun [and seven others] ; providing alwayis gif ony of thir persones refuse to ryde to Striveling that thai that refusis salbe secludit to haif ony pairt of telsing of Caidmuir in tymes cuming or pasturing of thair gudis thairupone.

Gledstanis,
Caidmuir.

The baillies ordanis the thesaurare bring hame the Walk Milne stok with oxin on the toвне penensis als sone as he may.

Walk Milne.

24 July 1562.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone, exhortare and redare of the commoun prayeris, productit ane writting requyring the baillies to vse the samin, of the quhilk the tennour followis : Schirris, baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, humlie menis to your maisterschippis your seruitour Johne Dikesone, exhortare in our said kirk of Peblis, desyring your maisterschippis now present convenit to appoynt elderis to wache our your said kirk quha hes the feir of God afore e, quhairthrow that vice may be pvnissit aggreable with the will of God as is revelit in his Evangell, and our reformat kirk ordourit as vtheris kirkkis is, that your maisterschippis obbeying the word of God may haif his blissing and also your knowlege oppynnit be the instructioun of his eternal Sprite, and in speciall that punisment may be put to thir persones quha will nocht compleit the band of matrimony quhilk in the presens of God is wikkitnes, and sua that na correctioun be your toвне salbe ane verray Sodome and Gomor, and all becaus na correctioun is put thairto be your maisterschippis, and sua gif ye omit this vndone God will pvnis yow quha is hinderaris of the said purpos. And this present is to exoner me in the presens of God quha hes oft reprovit the samin be my writting, requiring your maisterschippis ansuer, alwayis ye havand the feir of God afore e, and for na partialite of ony persone stay this quhilk ye know is aggreable with the will of the Eternale Juge quha hes set yow in autorite.

Exhortare and
redare, matri-
mony.

4 October 1562.

The offer of James Gledstanis sone and apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, Walter Gledstanis of Colifurdhill, Johne Gledstanis of Windingtoun Hall, with thair complices, unto the toвне of Peblis and William Bell

Offer of Johne
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sone to vmquhile William Bell burges of Peblis, Adam Bell his broder, and Margret Hoppingill his vmquhile spous, and alsua till Helene Threipland the relict of vmquhile Thomas Peblis, and to his barneis with the rest of thair kin freindis allie and partakkaris quhatsumeuer. Becaus that we vnderstand that greit inconuenientis hes oft and diuers tymes falling betuix ws and your communitie tuiching the descrepance had be our forbearis anentis the landis of Caidmour, and thairfore for avoiding of the samin, we offer ourselfis never in ony tyme cuming and our freindis, partakkaris heir-intill, till infest molest or perturbe yow nor nane of yow be the way of deid, bot only be the way of law, as the ordour of the samin requiris, and heirvnto offeris vs to bind ws; and for the vnprovisit slauchteris of the said vmquhile William Bell and Thomas Peblis throw the occatioune of the variance foirsaid committit be ws, nocht hevand the feir of God before our ene of our conscience, now movit with repentance for a formare wickitnes, craving of God mercie and forgifnes throw Jesus Christ our Sauour, and of yow thair freindis vnto quham we haif furiouslie offendit, willing to satisfy your honouris, we offer for the slauchter of the said vmquhile William Bell j^e pundis, and for the slauchter of the said vmquhile Thomas Peblis ane ^e pundis, and quhatsumeuary thing forthir at the sycht of four freindis, tua for your partiis and tua for our partiis to be electit and chosing, thinkis forthir to be done in the foirsaid mater, and als anentis all dampnages and skaith committit and done be ws to yow and your freindis, in likewise desyring ressonne of our skath at the sycht of the saidis four men, and for assitheiment of honouris we offer ws to performe all thingis according to the loveable vse of the cuntrie as the foirsaidis four men thinkis expedifull. Sequitur subscriptio, Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, with my hand led at the pen be the notare vnder writting at my command becaus I culd nocht write

Desyres of the
community for
the skaithis
done by Gled-
stanis and
others.

The desyris of the hail communitie of the burgh of Peblis for the greit providit slauchteris oppresiones and skaithis done to ws be James Gledstanis apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Cokelaw, William Gledstanis his broder, Walter Gledstanis of Colifurdhill, Johne Gledstanis of Windingtoun Hall, with thair complices. Item, in the first we desyre the said James Gledstanis, his kin freindis allia and partakkaris of the crymes, to confes and grant that thai com on set purpos greit hatrent and malice, havand na feir of God nor man, to our heretage of Caidmour in the moneth of Januare

in the yere of God j^m v^e lvij yeris, and thair, apone set purpose hamesukking and foirthochtfellony, devidit thame selffis in sindry partiis, quhairthrough gif thair wer ony of our nychtbouris doand thair lefull besynes that nane of thame suld evaid nor eschaep, and to edify and mak this knawin to the world as it is to God, the said James Gledstanis beand providit as said is with his complices com to our nychtbouris yokkit pleuchis, houche and slew thair oxin of four pleuchis to the nowmer of xxxij oxin, and the vther company quhilk departit with Walter Gledstanis apone ane vther part of our said heritage apprehendit our nychtbour Thomas Peblis, quhair he wes doand his lesum besynes, and thair, without feir of God or man as said is, slew the said Thomas cruellie without ony mercy, and for verificatioun to the hail world that it wes of set purpos as said is, first, be cuming of thame selffis boding with armour in feir of weir; secundlie, be deviding of thame selffis in sindry partiis that thair suld nane of thame evaid nor eschaip bot thair suld be sure of slauchter; quhilkis slauchteris oppressiounes and skaitthis we desyre to be confessit as thair wer done as said is. Secundlie, to hald fordwaird thair set purpos of slauchter and oppressioun apone ws this poore communitie, com to our heretage foirsaid in the moneth of Julij yere of God j^m v^e and lxj yere, and thair upone set purpos cruellie slew and murtherit William Bell ane of our nychtbouris, he beand doand his lesum besynes, quhilk may be evidentlie knawin that it wes of set purpos becaus of the malicious slauchter done of before be the foirsaidis persones tending thairthrow, throucht thair greit crueltie done and to be done, to appropriat our heretage to thame selffis; and als the saidis persones wald na wayis haif mercy nor piete of the said William Bell, he cryand for the lufe of God to tak him and sauf his life, quha refusit it simpliciter bot slew him cruellie like bludy tyrannis as said is; quhilk we desyre to be confessit as thair wer done apone set purpos as said is. Thridlie, it is evidentlie knawin that fra the slauchter of vinqhile Thomas Peblis, quhilk wes done in the moneth of Januare foirsaid, our heretage of Caidmour hes lying waist without teling or sawing to the greit disfamete and hunger of xvij^{xx} of houshalderis, that thair nor nane of thame durst for feir of thair livis teill or saw ane boll aittis apone our said heretage, for the quhilk caus thair ar vterlie hungerit herit and depauparat, quhilkis hillis wuld haif sawin till us xvij^{xx} bollis of aittis be the space of five yeris bygane yerelie, estimat to the third corne price of ilk boll with the fodder xxx s., extending to the

Desyres of the community for the skaitthis done by Gledstanis and others.

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the skaithis
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stanis and
others.

sowme of (*blank*); quhilk sowme we desyre to be satisfit and mendit, and that for sustentatioun and releving of the poore houshaldaris that sustentit the saidis skaithis; and als that the said communitie haif sic securite as thai will devise of the said James Gledstanis, his kin freindis allia and parttakaris, that we sall never be molestit nor trublit in tymes cunning of our said heretage in peceable broking of the samin, conforme baith to the law of God and man; and this we desyre to be considerit be newtrale and famous men quhilkis hes the feir of God afore e; providing alwayis that our desyres be na hurt to the freindis of vmquhill William Bell and Thomas Peblis, bot the saidis desyris quhilkis thai will propone be ressaunt and ressonabillie discussit be the said newtrale men to be electit. Quhilkis beand red and publict to the knowlege of James Langlandis of that ilk, Mark Ker of Kippelaw, Robert Scot of Thirstane and Adam Scot of Burnefute, desyrit thame to fulfill the samin safare as thai suld mak knawin to the Quenis graces maiestie, lordis of counsale, warld, as it wes to God, nochtwithstanding to draw the saidis slauchteris and deidlie feid to perpetuall amite and concord offerit the tua part of the saidis expensis to be defalcat and dischargit for the luf of God; quhilk thai refusit simpliciter and wald nocht augment ane penny by thair first offeris, nouthir for slauchteris nor skaithis forsaidis, thairfore allegit thame nocht willing to aggre and protestit for remeid of law and justice.

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of Thomas
Peblis and
William Bell.

Heir followis the clame for the part of the barneis kin and freindis of vmquhile Thomas Peblis and William Bell, burgessis of Peblis, aganes James Gledstanis sone and apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, William Gledstanis his broder, Walter Gledstanis of Colifurd, Johne Gledstanis of Windingtoun Hall, Johne Scot in Quhithaucht and vtheris, his complices assistaris and parttakaris with him in the saidis slauchteris and oppresiones vnder writting, apone the quhilkis the saidis barneis kin and freindis desyris assithement and amendis, with restitutionn of the damnages and skaithis sustentit be thame in the said James default and his complices, in maner following: In the first, the saidis barneis and freindis allegis and offeris thame to prufe that the said James and his complices in the moneth of Julii in the yeir of God j^m v^c lvij yeris com to the landis of Burroleyis, lyand within the landis of Caidmuir, pertenaunt to the burgh of Peblis as ane part of the patrimony thairof, and to the said William Bell in tak and assedatioun, he alsua being in peceabill possessioun of the samin be lawboring

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manuring of the ground thairof, pasturing his gudis thairupone, likeas he and his predecessoris hes bene in semlable possessioun thairof be the space of lx yeris immediatlie preceding, and thair the said James and his complices foirsaidis the tyme abone writing maisterfullie and violentlie kest done and destroyit the said vmqubile William scheill and somer hous biggit vpone the saidis landis for keping of his gudis thairupone, and hurt and woindit (*blank*) his hird and seruand in diuers partis of his body, and than and continewalie sensyne debarrit the said vmqubile William thairfra and fra all occupatioun of the samin and held the samin waist, and sua spulyeit the said vmqubile William of his possessioun thairof and the haill profittis quhilkis he mycht haif had of the saidis landis of Burroleis continewalie sensyne be the space of v yeris last bypast and the said James had peciabile sufferit him occupiit and labourit the samin, extending yerelie be the said space to lx bolles aitlis sawin, estimat to the thrid come price of the boll with the fodder xxx s. ; the profittis of the pasturing of sax score milk yowes, profit of ilk pece yerelie in woll lamb butter and cheis extending to sax s. viij d. ; the profit of the pasturing of sax score wedderis, extending ilk pece yerelie in woll and vtheris profittis to iij s. iij d. Secuadlie, the said vmqubile William in the moneth of Januare the yere of God foirsaid oferit him to the ground of the said landis to haif lawbowrit the samin and yokkit his pleuch thairupone, and siclike the said vmqubile Thomas Pebelis yokkit his pleuch vpon his maling of the landis of Dod pertenyng to him in asseda-tioun maid to him thairof be the said communitie of Pebelis at the tyme foir-said, at the quhilk tyme the said James be himself and his complices as said is, howche and slew the oxin being in baith the saidis pleuchis, extending to xvj oxin, price of the pece ourheid x merkis, qubairthrow the saidis vm-qubile Thomas Pebelis and William Bell wer damageit and skaithit nocht onlie in the prices and valouris of the saidis oxin bot in profit quhilkis thai mycht haif had thairof in hyreage yerelie and continewalie sensyne be the said space of five yeris, extending ilk ox yerelie to sax ferlottis of meill, price of the boll yerelie ourheid xxx s., aucht of the saidis oxin pertenant to the said vmqubile William and vther viij to the said vmqubile Thomas as thair awne proper gudis, and than being in thair possessioun teland thair saidis landis thair, and thairfore desyris restitutioun of the damageis foirsaidis done to the saidis vmqubile William and Thomas. Thridlie, the said James and his complices continewalie sen the said moneth of Januare debarrit the

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said vnuquhile Thomas barneis fra the occupatioun of his part of the saidis landis of Doid, being ane quartar thairof, and held the samin waist and sua witheld fra thame the hail profittis quhilkis thai nyecht haif had thairof gif he had sufferit thame to occupy the samin with thair awne proper gudis, extending yerelie to xx bollis aittis sawin, estimat to the thrid come price of the boll with the fodder fairsaid, the profit of pasturing of sax ky, lxxx yowis, lxxx yeild scheip, extending yerelie respectiue to the auales and quantiteis abone mentonat. Item, ferillie, the saidis barneis and freindis allegis and offeris thame to prufe that in the said moneth of Januare anno, etc., lvij^o the tyme of the howeling and destroying of the said oxin the said James and his complices cruellie and vmercifullie, on set purpos and on thocht felony, slew the said Thomas Peblis and left his barneis, thai beand thre in nowmer all pupillis and neir thair infancie fatherles and destitut of all support, the damage and skaith sustenit be thame in defalt and want of thair said fader, quha suld and wald educat and put thame to profit, extending be gude estimatioun to the sovme of tua thousand merkis money of Scotland, quhilk sowme the barneis and freindis of the said vnuquhile Thomas desyris the said James and his complices to be compellit to pay to thame as for thair ciuile entres in part of thair assitment of the slauchter of thair said vnuquhile fader. Item, fitelie, the barneis and freindis of the said vnuquhile William Bell allegis and offeris thame to prufe that the said James and his complices, presenerand in thair auld malice and mischeif consauit aganis him, vpone the xvij day of August in the yere of God j^m v^e lxj yere cruellie and vmercifulle, vpone auld feid and thocht felony, slew the said vnuquhile William and left William Bell his sone fatherles, the damnagis and skaithis sustenit be him thairthrow extending be gud estimatioun to the sovme of tua thowsand merkis money fairsaid, the quhilk sowme the said William and freindis fairsaidis desyris the said James to be compellit to pay to thame as afore thair ciuile entres in part of thair assitment of the slauchter of his said vnuquhile fader. Sextlie, the saidis barneis and freindis desyris the said James and his complices, assistaris and partakkaris, to be decernit to decist and ceis in tyme cuming fra all molestatioun and trubling of the barneis of the saidis vnuquhile William and Thomas and otheris havand rycht of thame in peceable broukin joising lauboring and manring of the saidis landis of Burroleis and Dod respectiue The quhilk clame and desyris being red and publist to the knowlege of James

Langlandis of that ilk, Mark Ker of Kippelaw, Robert Scot of Thirlstane, and Adam Scot of Burnefute, desyring thame to fulfill the same sa far as thai suld mak knawin to the Queenis graces Maieste, lordis of counsale and the world, as it wes to God, nochtwithstanding to draw the saidis slaughtaris and deidliche feid to perpetuale amite and concord offerit five partis of the foirsaidis expensis dampnages and skaithis to be defalecat and dischargit and that for the luf of God; quhilk thai refusit simpliciter and wald nocht augment ane penny by thair first offeris, nouthir for slauchteris nor for skaithis foirsaid, and thairfore allegit thame nocht willing till aggre and protestit for remeid of law and justice.

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5 October 1562.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis: William Lowys, William Dikesone, Johne Wichtman, Johne Fresale, Johne Scot, James Gowane. The counsale beand convenit hes electit thir names abone writting to be votit baillies, conforme to the auld rite and consuetude of the burgh. [Lowys receives thirty five votes; Dikesone, fifty three; Wichtman, fifty eight; Fresale, three; Scot, eight; and Gowane four. Dikesone and Wichtman are accordingly "sworne and admittit"].

Baillies.

The quhilk day, William Rechartsone wes creat dekyne of the wobstare craft and wes sworne and maid his aith as vse is.

Dekyn of wob-
stares.

15 October 1562.

The counsale electit for this present yere: Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Dikeson, Rowe Scot, James Wilsone, William Dikesone elder, James Robesone, Johne Scot persone, James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone of Melvingsland, Johne Dikesone yonger, Eduard Wychtman, William Bell, James Frank, Stene Robesone, Johne Cranstoun, Patrik Newtown, Thomas Tuedy, William Rechartson, Johne Fresall.

Counsale.

The baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, all with ane voce, is content that William lord Hay of Yester be chosing and electit provest for ane yere, conforme to the act maid of before of the dait the penult day of Januare yere of God j^m v^e lv yeris, conforme to the act of parliament and burro lawis, and the said lord obliissis him nouthir to haif entris with nane of thair propirtie, commonteis nor common gudis, forthir nor vnquhile Johne lord Hay his fader had; and als the said nobill lord obliissis him, conforme to his aith of fidelite, nocht to frustrate justice be na

My lord pro-
vest obliga-
tion to the
toun.

My lord provest obligatioun to the town.

solistatioun, and to vse the counsale of the baillies and counsale, and to stand with the said tovne in the law and by the law concernyng thair libertie heretage commoun weill and commoun actiones, baith with his body gudis and freindis aganes all vtheris, thair autorite alanerlie except; attour the saidis baillies and counsale sall vse justice in his absence, and inlikmaner the said tovne to stand with the said nobill lord in his honest and lefull actiones quhen he hes ado and requiris thame thairto providing alwayis that the said lord haif na president nor deput vnder him, bot till vse the communitie in all thingis as vnquhile his said fader vsit thame and na vtherwayis; and thairupone ather of the saidis partiis askit act and instrument and protestit for the extract of this present act.

Lord Hay creat burges.

The quhilk day, William lord Hay of Yester wes creat burges and maid his aith as vse is, conforme to the act of burro lawis, and fand his hand and land souertie for scotting lotting walking warding and burges siluer, and thairefter the said nobill lord wes chosing provest to vse the office thairof for ane yere conforme to the act of burro lawis.

16 October 1562.

Stewart of Traquhair.

Johne Stewart of Traquhair, knycht, oblissis him be the tenour heirof to the baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis never to desyre to be provest baillie nor burges within the burgh of Peblis, nor to haif na forthir preeminence nor intromissiou within the said burgh nor he hes presentlie, conforme to his awne saying afore my lord provest and counsale.

Eist Werk.

The baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis is content that the said Johne Stewart of Traquhair haif the Eist Werk in few ferme . . . providing alwayis that my lord provest vot be reseruit to him self, and siclike that the ische and entre to the hous heid be reseruit to the saidis provest baillies counsale and communitie in tyme of neid, and thairupone the saidis baillies and siclike the said Johne Stewart askit instrument.

Tuiching the electing of burgessis.

The counsale ordanis that na burgessis be admittit in tyme cuming except thai be induellaris and inhabitaris within the tovne and mak residence thairintill baith day and nycht, that thair qualificatioun and conversatioun concernyng commoun weill may be knawin, and to tak part with the tovne in thair commoun effairis, providing alwayis gif thai remof of the tovne efter that thai be creat thai sall incontinent thairefter be deprivat of thair fredome; and sic-

like ordanis to summond the outland burgessis to the heid court efter Sanct Mongo day to mak thair duelling and change within the said burgh or ellis to be deprivat, and efter thair deprivation certifiatioun to be maid thair of to the provest and baillies of Edinburgh and all vtheris burrowis neidfull.

Tuiching the electing of burgessis.

The baillies and counsale ordanis for ane yere that the ta baillie sall na way convene ony counsale bot gif thai be baith present and assent thairto, and that the counsale beand convenit, gif ony of the said counsale be absent or seik, his avise salbe tane in the actioun precedit; and the saidis baillies to put all thingis to executionn that the maist part of the counsale decernis apone without ony favour, and the counsale till adhere till the baillies for setting fordwart of all commoun actionis, and the said counsale to be warnit apone viij dayis afore gif it be ane neidful actioun tuiching the autorite or may nocht be delayit.

Convening of the counsale.

Selike, it is ordanit gif ony of the counsale revelis ony of the counsale for ane yere in tymes cuming the revelare thair of salbe deprivat of the counsale for eur, and gif the officeris revelis ony of the said counsale to be dischargit of thair offices for cuir.

Reveeling counsale.

Selike, ordanis the thesaurare to by tua dossane of dalis to be bocht for reparaling of the kirk and tua commoun ledderis to be gotting and divottis quhill the tyme to be laid on the tolbuith.

Kirk, tolbuith.

Ordanis the baillies with James Wilson and Johne Dikesone to deill the lynning clathis in the stepill to the pure folkis quhilk thai think expedient and maist indigent.

Pure folkis.

24 October 1562.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to bring hame the commoun stane of Edinburgh, and to mak all stanis to be vsit within the burgh of Peblis conforme to the said stane as the counsale thinkis expedient, and all vtheris stanis to be dischargit simpliciter in tymes cuming.

Stanes.

The counsale ordanis the scoill maister fra this hour furth to wait on the teching of the barneis and exoner him of all vtheris pleasouris, and thairfore to gif him xl s. to help him till ane govne, and as he makkis caus in teching of the saidis barnis and as thai ineres in science and knowlege the saidis fourt schillingnis to be gevin frelie to him, and faillyene thair of the samin salbe allowit in his fee, and thairefter to provide for himself.

Scoillmaister.

Tovne Millis. The minister obliſſis him to grynd all his cornes in tyme cuming at the tovne millis, vnder the pane of doubling of the ſaid multour.

10 *November* 1562.

Walk Mill. Robert Braidfut, Thomas Tueddail and James Tueddail confeſſit that the Walk Milne wes als gud and ſufficient ane milne as wes in all Scotland, and that becaus the tovne allowit thame nyne merkis and iij s. iij d. for the mending of the ſaid milne, and obliſt to leif hir als gude at the iſche of thair takkis.

4 *December* 1562.

Gledſtanis, Eſchelis. The counſale ordanis four or fife of the honeſteſt men pas done to the Quenis grace to playnt apone Gledſtanis and vpon the tementis of Eſchelis.

13 *February* 1562.

Kirk bells. The theſaurare is ordanit be the baillies and counſale to tak down the bellis furth of Sanct Andro Kirk and hing ane of thame in the Croce Kirk to rigne to the common prayeris, and the vther bell to be laid in the ſtepill to be obſeruit, and to big with the trap and tymber in the Hie Kirk ſtepill ſettis in the Croce Kirk for eis of the parochinaris.

Attendance at prayeris. Ordanis all parochinaris, baith burgh and land, that reſortes to the prayeris to comper and mak thair obedience at prayer tyme and vtheris without ony rangald in tymes cuming, and that nane mak ganging in kirk nor kirk yard nor ony vther enormite in tyme of prayeris.

Exhortare, Gilbert Brovne. The ſaid day, Johne Dikesone, exhortare, tuk instrument that he requirit Gilbert Brovne to comper on Thursday nixtocum afore the eldaris that ordour may be tane of his comersatioun, etc., quha denyit he wald comper, allegeand thai wer na maisteris to him; and also the ſaid Gilbert approvit in the judgement ſait of the burgh of Peblis that the ſaid Johne bakbitit him, quhilk the ſaid Johne requirit prufe thair of, vther wayis to be pvnit according to his demerit.

23 *June* 1563.

Lord Hay of Yester. In mei notarii publici et testium ſubſcriptorum preſencia, personaliter conſtitutus nobilis et potens dominus Willelmus dominus Hay de Yester

apud oppidum et castrum de Nepeth, causauit Robertum Walkare fabrium lignarum aperire vnam lie almery continentem in se [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under written, personally appeared William Lord Hay of Yester at the town and castle of Nepeth, and caused Robert Walker, carpenter, to open an almery containing therein] ane posset top with ane fute of the self of esche, ane litill bikker callit ane salt fat with ane fute of esche, ane lame can and thre paperis of armes of vmquhile Archibald erle of Angus, and na vtheris thingis contenit thairintill, quhilk almerie dame Margreit Levingstoun lady of Yester allegit pertene till hir; vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse nobilis dominus a me, notario publico subscripto, sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnam seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant in superiori camera de Nepeth horam circiter quartam post meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem honorabilibus viris, magistro Joanne Colquhone preposito de Bothanis, Willelmo Tuedy de Drummelyeare, Willelmo Vache de Kingside et Gilberto Wauchope seruitore dicti nobilis domini, testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis. Et vterius dictus nobilis dominus causauit dictum Robertum Walkare aperire alteram lie almery vocatam *ane stule almery* continentem in se nihill aliud nisi lie *worme wobbis*; coram testibus superscriptis. [as to me notary public clearly appeared. Upon all and sundry which things the said noble lord asked me, notary public subscribing, to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the upper chamber of Nepeth, about the fourth hour afternoon of the year day month and indiction above written. There being present honourable men, master John Colquhone provost of Bothanis, William Tuedy of Drummelyeare, William Vache of Kingside and Gilbert Wauchope servant to the said noble lord, witnesses to the premises specially called and required. And has'ly the said noble lord caused the said Robert Walker to open another almery called a stule almery which had nothing therein except worm webs, before the witnesses foresaid]

Lord Hay of
Yester.

14 July 1563.

In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Joannes Wychtman, vnus balliuorum burgi de Peblis, pro tribunali sedens judicialiter in pretorio burgi de Peblis, alta et intelligibile voce publicauit et exposuit vt in vulgari sequitur, et solemniter protestabitur nomine et mandato preposite consulum et communitatis dicti burgi de Peblis [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under

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Allane coun-
non scribe.

Sir Johne
Allane com-
mon scribe.

written personally appeared an honourable man John Wychtman, one of the baillies of the burgh of Peblis, sitting in judgment in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, and in a loud and intelligible voice published and declared as follows in the common tongue, and solemnly protested in the name and at the command of the provost councillors and community of the said burgh of Peebles] that William Dikesone, ane vther of the baillies of the said burgh, his college, wranguslie without ony ordour had thairintill, introuettit refit and spulyeit Sir Johne Allane thair common scribe for the tyme, ordourlie electit be common vot of vniqubile John lord Hay of Yester provest of the burgh of Peblis baillies counsale and communitie of the samin, the court buik of the said burgh, the said Sir Johne beand in continewall possessioun of the said office be the space of xiiij yeris bigane or thairby, likeas he wes this present day and is instantlie be vsing thairof at all tymes beand chargit thairto, and disassentit thairfra becaus the provest counsale and communitie consentit nocht thairto nor dischargit nocht the said Sir Johne ordourlie as he suld haif bene considering thair wes na notour falt imput to the said Sir Johne nor knawin apone him in executioun of his office sen he wes ordourlie electit thairto to the dait of thir presentis, and thairfore desyrit the said William Dikesone, his college, baillie foirsaid, till deliuer and restore the saidis buikis till him agane to be vsit be him as of before, ay and quhill sum notour falt war knawin committit be him in executioun of his said office and callit be the said provest baillies and counsale and communitie to be ordourlie dischargit siclike as he wes ordourlie electit, conforme to ordour equite and gud conscience, and failyene thairof that he wald nocht restore the saidis buikis as said is protestit for recent spule remeid of law tyme and place convenient, and for the proffittis that the said Sir Johne mycht haif had thairof in the mene tyme to be furthummand to the said Sir Johne; vt mihi notario publico subscripto huicde constabat. Super quibus . . . [as to me notary public subscribing clearly appeared. Whereupon . . .]

4 October 1563.

Baillies.

Rolland Scot and James Tuedy [who received thirty and twenty five votes, respectively.] chosin baillies and surne.

Prowest baillies
and clerkis.

The baillies counsale and communitie of our burgh of Peblis electit and chois William lord Hay of Yester, prowest, for ane yeir, and tuik him sworne as vse is, proutyding the said instructions that the said William maid with the commontie haif place, as at mair lenth is contenit in the formar

act of the said William creatioun; and siclyk Rolland Scot and James Tuedy ar electit baillies, and the saidis baillies takin and sworne as vse is to vse thair office ay and quhill thai be dischargit. John Dikesoun and John Allan creat clerkis ay and quhill thai war dischargit. Prowest, baillies
and clerks.

7 October 1563.

The said day, William lord Hay prowest of our burgh of Peblis, in presens of the baillies and counsall thairof, dissasentis for his wot that nain haif titille of the New Werk lyand at the est end of our burgh of Peblis, but that the samyng be reperallit and bewdit of the townes expensis. New Werk.

20 October 1563.

It is statut and ordinat that na meill man haif ane furlat of his awin, but that the haill mercat be seruit with the custome; and that the samyng custome be mesurrit justlie for ewading of sclander. Meill.

22 October 1563.

It is statut and ordanit that the thesawrar by sa mony skailtis as will thik the tolbuith; and that the said thesawrar mell nocht with the Geddes yle, nor yet na vtheris in tymes cuming; and thairof Gilbert Tuedy requirit actis. Tolbuith,
Geddes Yle.

10 December 1563.

[The counsale] ordanis ane of the chalice quhilk is in the stiple to be maid money of to the thesawrar and farther at the baillies plesour. And ordanis that the town be quarterit, and every ane of the said town to caus ane seruand be present to wirk ane day with thair hors and man, and thame that wanttis hors to beir stanes one ane barrow to the brig work, and the baillies to poynd and strenye the dissobeyaris, and ordanis the thesaurar to big the sloppis vpon the townes expensis. Chalice.
Town's works.

And siclyk ordanit Sir John Allan to delyuer the common buikis efter that thay be conferrit with thair clerk John Dikesoun, and that the said buikis may be laid in commoun kist according to William lord Hay precept direct thairvpon. Common
buikis.

20 December 1563.

John Allan,
clerk.

The quhilk day, William Dikesoun, thesaurar, in name behalf and command of the baillies and counsall of Peblis, affirmit that John Allan was nocht wyrthy to vs the office of the burro clerkschep, and that he was dischargit be resonable caussis, and in speciall becaus the said Johanne keipit in his company ane vncleue persone nocht beand joynit with him in the band of matrimonye in contrair all godly order of crystiane, and farther had rebellit aganes the ordinance of the prowest and baillies of the said burgh, and thair of the said William requyrit act.

The said day John Allan allegit him vndouttit clerk and commoun clerk of the burgh of Peblis for his lyf tyme and his gift gewin thairvpon portis and that ony court haldin and to be haldin be ony clerk in tymes cumyng sen the xiiij day of Julij last bypast tak na effect nor ony thing that may follow thairvpon and protestis for all maner of profettes that concernis the said office in ony maner of way in tyme cumyng, other be act of court rolment or extract of saisingis, considerand that thair is no clerk chossing and electit be consent of the said John Allan, and thairvpon askit instrument and protestit for the extract and copy of the said act, and the juges ansuerit that thair wald aduys thairintill.

The baillies ansuerit to the formar act and sayis that the said John Allan was dischargit of his writtin as common clerk for resonable caussis abone expressit be William Dikesoun thesaurare, and that thay fand nocht the said John Allan clerk allegit at thair entres in baillerie, nor yeit product na lettre attentik subscriuit and seillit with the commoun seill of the said burgh but ane friuoll allegance, and thair of the saidis baillies requyrit actis.

26 January 1563.

Commis-
sionaris of
burrois.

The counsall ordanis tua nychtburis to gang to Edinburgh with the townes commissioun to resone with the rest of commissiounaris of burrois, conuenyand the twenty four day of Februar nixt tocum, tuiching the novatioun vsit be the King of Denmark aganis our nychtburis.

Speaking in-
jurious words
to a baillie.

The baillies and counsall decernis James Stewart and Thomas Hesylop, [for giving injurious words to a baillie], ilk ane of thame to pay to the thesawrar

fyve merkis betuix this and the vij day of Februar nixt tocum to support the brig work, and farther to cum vpon Sunday nixt thairafter with ilk ane of thame ane candill in thair hand, in signe of obedyens, and ask the saidis baillies forgywinnes in the oppin audiens of the haill parrochyn, and failleyng thairof that thay be neuir admittit to thair fredome.

Speaking injurious words to a baillie.

The counsale ordanis Andro Litill, bedrall, to be ansuerit of eury houshalder within our burgh of iiij d. yeirlie and ilk yeir duryng his seruice quhill farther order be takin.

Bedrall.

9 March 1563.

The counsall ordanis all thay personis quhay hes offendit the bailyes in compleining to outlandis men to maik pairty aganis thair aldirmen, incontrair thair act of creastione, to be callit the nixt court, and gif say be ony nebor be conwik that he be punesat in exampell of vtheris, and that he be forfaitit his fredom.

Outlandis men, aldermen.

The counsall ordanis the scuillmaster to wait on the bairnis and nocht to gane to hunting nor vther plessaris in tyme cumin, but lesceence of the aldirmen, quhilk gif he falye that he salbe desposit of his office.

Senillmaster.

10 April 1564.

The inquest ordanes gif ony nebur, beand on the inquest, in tymes cumin rewellit ony thing that is spokin be the inquest that the baillais sall try the spekair thairof, and tharafter he beand conweik that he sall nocht be admittit one court nor counsall ony farther, and to depryve him of his fredom in say far as is mensuorin.

Reuelling things spoken by inquest.

11 May 1564.

The maist part of the counsall with the baillais, conuenit in the tolbuthe of Peblis, ordanis the bell to be sauld that is in the steipill to ony person that will gef maist thairfor, and to tak nay les for the stane weyche nor xxiiij s., and appointtis the tua baillais, William Dikisoun, to sell the same to releif creditturis that thay haif ado with in respek of the det that the toun is in at this present.

Bell to be sold.

Soumes.

The quharter masteris of the Doid offeris thair summes to ony nebur for half ane merk the soume, prowydin allwais in cais the neburis do nocht the same the said quharter masteris protestis that thay maie lefule set the said summis to quhome thai ples, and in cais thai set the samin that thair hirl sall keip the same to the affeck that the liberte of the toune maie be obserwit.

7 June 1564.

Burro clerk.

David Crychtoun was creat burro clerk to vse the office of the samyn ay and quhill he war dischargit, and his aithe tane thairopone.

10 July 1564.

Our Lady chapel.

The said day, comperand in jugément Sir John Tuedy chapellane, and thair off his awin fre motywe and spontaneall will, ryphie and at lenth adwysit thairvpon, resignit and ourgaiff, frely purly and simply, all and hail his rycht title propertie and possessione with commodities quhatsumeuir pertenynge the alterage of our Lady chapell cituat within the burgh off Peblis, in the handis off James Tuedy and Rolland Scot, baillies of the said [burgh], as indouttit patrones off the donatioun of the said alterage, and that [in] faouris off Gilbert Tuedy, and thairvpon the said Gilbert Tuedy askit instrument and that na obiectioun was maid aganis the said resignatioun.

The baillies counsale and communitie consulariter adwysit, be thair jugement, the resignatioun maid and gewin be Sir John Tuedy to his beluffit Gilbert Tuedy and admittis the said Gilbert Tuedy as sufficient apt and able for ministratioun off the said altarage and prebendarye off the samyn, and giffis him gift and donatioun of the samynge, as vndouttit patrones thairoff, to the effec that al tenentes and occupyaris off the landis quhilke pertenis to the said prebendarie suld redely ansuer and obey the said Gilbert, beand in place off the said Sir John Tuedy be wertu off his resignatioun and gift off the saidis patrones gewin and granttit to him thairvpon, in all tymes cumynge, conforme to his rycht and title, off the quhilkis resignatioun donatioun and admissioun forsaid the said Gilbert askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court.

20 July 1564.

Anno incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo lxiij die vero mensis Julii xx^o indictione septima: In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti honeste persone subscripte, viz., frater Gilbertus Brovne minister Sancte Crucis de Peblis ab vna et conuentus eiusdem viz., fratres Joannes Robyn, Thomas Smyth, Joannes Newtown et Jacobus Lowys appunctuati et concordati sunt in hunc modum in vulgari sequenti, viz: [In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and sixty four, the twentieth day of the month of July, the seventh indiction. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared the honest persons underwritten viz., brother Gilbert Broune minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles on the one part and the convent thereof viz., brothers John Robyn, Thomas Smyth, John Newtown, and James Lowys who appointed and agreed in manner following in the vulgar tongue, viz:] The said brethir hes referrit thair pensiou bygane awand to thame be the said freir Gilbert Brovne to the feist of Sanct Johne [the] Baptist nixt precedant the dait heirof to the said freir Gilbert will and discretiou; forthir the said minister oblist him be the tenour heirof to stand at the ordinance and deliuerance of James Wilson, Johne Horsbruk, William Dikesone and Sir Johne Allane touching the despositioun of the ornamentis westmentis and jewellis being presentlie in keeping in Nepeth and Chapelhill gif ony proffit can be had thairof in tymes cuming; and siclike gif the thred of thair benefice quhilk is now instantlie payit to the Quene Maiestie and hir collectouris can be getting dischargit ony maner of wayis, the said Minister oblistis him and his successouris ministeris of the said croce kirk of Peblis to augment the foirsaid four brethir ilkane of thame respective four merkis during thair lifetymes yerelie. Vt mihi notario publico lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse minister et conuentus antedicti hincinde a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petierunt instrumenta vnum seu plura. Acta erant hec in ecclesia sancte crucis de Peblis horam circiter vndecimam ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra: Presentibus ibidem honestis viris Jacobo Wilsone, Joanne Horsbruk, Willelmo Dikesoun, burgensibus de Peblis et Patricio Rumsyman nuncio reginali testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis: Providendo quod dictus conuentus facient diligentiam ad manus supreme domine nostre regine et domiuorum sue secreti consilii penes exonerationem

Minister and
convent of the
Holy Cross.

Minister and
Convent of the
Holy Cross.

solutionis tertie partis dicti beneficii. [As to me notary public clearly appeared. Whereupon all and sundry the foresaid minister and convent both asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to them one or more instruments. These things were done in the Church of the Holy Cross of Peebles about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written, there being present honest men James Wilson, John Horsbruk, William Dikesoun, burgesses of Peebles, and Patrick Runsyman, royal messenger, witnesses to the premises specially called and required. Providing that the said convent do exact diligence at the hands of our sovereign lady the queen and the lords of her privy council concerning the discharge of the payment of the third part of the said benefice.]

2 October 1564.

Bailies.

Patrik Dikisoun and Stein Robesoun [with thirty-three and twenty-nine votes respectively] elekit bailies.

Prowest.

William lord Hay of Yester was creat prowest of our burgh of Peblis and maid his aith thairvpon as vs [is], with the same instructionis as that quhen he wais first creat.

16 October 1564.

Counsaill.

James Robesoun allegit that he wais on the counsaill be the spaike of viij yeris, of our burgh of Peblis, and newir requyrit to the counsaill, and thairfor refusit to be on the counsaill in tymes cumin, and thairof askit instrument.

Names of
counsaill.

The names of the counsaill in anno 1564 yeris: Roland Scot, James Tuede, William Dikisoun, John Dikisoun of Melvinland, James Robesoun, Thomas Tuede, John Fresaill, John Horsbruk, John Wychtman, Patrik Newtown, William Dikisoun of Winkstoun, James Frank, John Cranstoun, Nekoll Vaiche, Thomas Tuedall dekin.

20 October 1564.

Meetings of
the counsaill.

It is statuit and ordanit be the bailyes and counsaill that ilk xx dais annes the counsaill convein, and that this ordur salbe obsairwit in all tymes cumin that thai be wairnit on the neyht affor, and on the moro at ix houris thay be in redines affir the wairin of the bell, the day quhilk thai sall conwein on Satterday.

Fleish mercat.

Item, it is statuit and ordanit fra this day balk that the fleis mercat be

on the Sattirday, beginand at x houris and continuand quhill four after-
nwne, and that nane be sauld on the Sounday onder the pane of ehettin,
and gif sua be ony be sauld prewelle thai salbe haildin brekaris of the said
actis and callit and persowit thairfor.

Flesh mercat.

Item, it is statut and ordanit that all prebendaris quhatsumeir of the
college kirk of Sanct Andro keip the exhortascioun thre dais in the woilk
and sing the psalmes and do God service, onder the pane of vj d. ilk day
that thay falye, and the officiaris to pound for the same; and admittis
Patrik now collectour to vplift the same and to noit the said absent in
tymes cumin, and that the said vnlawis be disponit to the pair at the sycht
of the bailyes.

Prebendaries
of St Andrews
Kirk.

The bailyes and counsall thair present ordanit to mak Andro Frank ane
factore to vplift the annualis of Sanct Lowrence alter bygane, and to cum
indurin the tounes will bailyes and counsall, and that he mak compt
thairfof to the bailyes counsall and communitie.

St Lowrance
alter.

28 October 1564.

It is statuit and ordanit [by the council] that na persoun ly out, beand
attechit be thair officiaris, vnder the pane off viij s. owneforgefen wythout
thay haif and lauhfull assonye, and mair atour that thair salbe ane con-
dampnattur gefin at the court peremtur gef the pairte compeir not.

Atteachment be
officiaris.

Item, it is statuit and ordanit that na nebur of our said burgh persow
ane vther affor ony vthir juge sailfand affor the prowest and balyeis in
say far as thai ar jugis competent, vnder the pane of deprivatioun off
thame off thair fredowne.

Juge.

4 November 1564.

The prowest bailles counsall and comvnitie of the burgh of Pebelis con-
sulariter gaderit and consyderit the offerris maid be James Gledstanis and
the rest of his frendis, partakaris of the cruell slauchter of vmquhill Thomas
Pebelis and William Bell burgessis of Pebelis, and findis the samyn nocht
resonable in respect that the said James and his predicessouris, vnder
allegit pretence of tytle to the heretage of Cadmuir, quhilkis pertenis to
the saidis provest and baillies in heretage, and in trublis tymes the said

Gledstanis,
Caidmuir.

Gledstanis,
Caidmuir.

James and his predicessouris cuir trublit ws and our saidis burgessis be way of deid, and albeit that thay haiff had sufficient tyme bypast quhan that ministratioun of justice was ministrat be the ciuill magistratis the said James nor his predicessouris neur persewit the samyn be the law bot be way of deid forsaid, and swa the said offer maid be the said James vnto the provest and baillies of our said towne is bot vnder the cloik off the law insafar as he hes had sufficient tyme bypast and his predicessouris to haiff persewit the said actioun, and sua is myndit as we vnderstand to molest and truble our saidis provost and bailles with burgessis as he and his predicessouris hes done off befor, and for awoyding thairof we desyr that thai offer neur to clame or to haiff actioun to our said landis of Cadmur perpenyng ws in heretage.

2 December 1564.

Knock and
common hous.

The counsaill gaiff the kepin of thair knock and commoun hous [in] the steipill to Thomas Dikesoun sone to William Dikesoun off Winkstoun, and the said Thomas fand William Dikisoun his fader and Johne Dikisoun his aperand [air] and thair airis souerte and causcioun that the bell and knock suld keip na skayth in the kepin off the said Thomas nor vtheris quhilk he suld appount vnder him, bot in cais ony skayth war sustenit in thair default the said souerteis obliissis thair gudis and landis for recompence of the samyn, and for the laute of the said Thomas and thais quha he subttetut vnder him that na thing sall want off the said houssis committit to thair credit.

24 February 1564.

Lord Yester,
Provest.

The counsaill ordanis to gif me lord Yester anc vtir andssuer that thai on na wis will grant to eleck his lordship provest for his lyf tyme bot as he makis thame caus fra yeir to yeir as thai doid his fader affor, and that according to the act off parliament, for gif the towne grauntit the said William lord Hay of Yester his dessir of the said office in lifrent the same war hurtfull to thair liberte, quhilk andssur the counsaill ordanis to be publist to the said lord knaeg.

7 April 1565.

Infeftmentis.

The baillais and counsaill ordanis that na preway infement be gif be na

notar in tymes cuming bot that the tounes clerk be present with the regester of the toun to reid the saissing that the jugis for the tyme inay knaw the werritte, vnder the pane that the same stand to no affek quha dois in the contrair. Infementis.

The counsall ordanis the scuill master to provid ane doctur to tech the scuill, and ilk honest man that hes bairnis to gif the said doctur his meit about, and ordanis the said master to wait himself better on the bairnis nor he doid affor tyme as he will andssur to thame thairvpon. Scuill master and doctur.

19 May 1565.

The maist part of the counsall ordanis the scuill master to gait ane doctur in all haist to tech vnder him, vnder the pane of depravascioun of him of his office; and that the said master taik na hear waigis fra the landwart bairnis nor he dois fra the tovnnes, onle it be of benevolence. Scuill master and doctur.

The counsall ordanis the baillieis to persow the trublance maid be John Hay and Gilbert Hay aganes the baillie and memberis of court affor the Quenis Maieste and hir graces secreit counsall, or ony vther jug or jugis competent quhoum affor it afferis, that thay ma haif remeid that no sick offences be commettit aganis the memberis of court in tymes cuming on the tovnnes expensis. Trublance be John and Gilbert Hay.

28 May 1565.

The said day, William Dikisoun proloquitor for Johne Wille tuk instrument that Gilbert Brovne, menestar off the Croice Kirk and convent thairof, tuk vpon hand to preif that Johne Wille cuttit and tuk away ane certin esche treis as thair clem preportitt. Croce Kirk, treis.

The said day, William Kelle textor maid his aith in jugment that he had nowthir art nor pairt off any esche treis clamit be the menester and convent of the Croice Kirk, nor that he lent nocht Johne Wille his saw to cut ony treis pertening to the said menester and convent, and that the menester refferit the samin to his aith, quairof the said William askit instrument.

The said day, Gilbert Brovne tuk instrument that Pattirik Dikisoun baillie granttit in jugment that he fand certan esche treis in John Wille houss quhilk the said Gilbert allegit was cuttit and away tane out of his yaird.

18 June 1565.

Ruid and
Haille Bluid
altars.

The said day, the jugis abovne wrying commandit thair officeris to pass through the tovne and pound and streinye all and sindre quha was auhting annualis to Sir James Daidoun, chaiplein of the Ruid altar and Haille Bluid altar, affter the ternour and form of the instrumentis of the said alterragis, and that becaus the said Sir James is blind and ma nocht werk and trawall for his lewing, and thairof the said Sir James askit instrument.

1 October 1565.

Bailies.

James Tuede and William Dikisoun youngar electit bailyeis creat and suorn, in presens of the commonette, to vs thair office of bailerre within the said burgh ay and quhill thair wair deschairgit.

Wobstaris.

It is statut and ordanit, with consent and assent of the maist pairt of the wobstaris beand present, that in all tymes cuming that the wobstaris of the said burgh obey thair dekin, and gif ony fallis in ony act or statuet quhilk is devissit be the said craft, the faut beand notir to the dekin and the sovir men quhilk is chossing on his counsaill, the faillair thairintill sall pay xx s. to the ballais of Peblis.

5 October 1565.

King and
Quein at
Dunfreis.

The baillais counsaill and maist pairt of the commenitte convenit in our toubuith of Peblis and devissit xij hoursmen to rid to the King and Quein oft to Dunfreis with ix hors of cariag with thame, and the remanent neburis quha remanit at hame oblist thame to pay the kaireag and expensis that the said neburis depurssit, thair comptis beand laid as affeiris, with thair peralyoving, and the said men to ramane indurin the King and Quene procleratioun.

1 December 1565.

Our Lady
altar.

The said day, in fencit court, the baillais and maist pairt of the counsaill and commenette gaif the gift of our Lade altar sittuat within our Kirk of Peblis, quhilk vmquhill Sir Thomas Purvas was last possessur of, to

Thomas Dikisoun student, for all the dais of his lyf, and thairof the said Our Lady
 Thomas askyt and requyrit of me notar publict act and instrument. altar.

10 December 1565.

The hail inqwest findis Adam Cunninghame in the wrang that he Trabling the
 trublet the town in strykin John Forsythe, cwitler, in his awin buitthe, and town.
 ordanis to mak him anc mendis thairfoir at the sycht of the balyes.

And sielyk findis Andro Stewart in the wrang for the strykin of Jonat
 Portus and rwging of hir hair, and Malye Pattersone his wyff for casting of
 anc stane and hwrtng the said Jonat betwix the schwlderis.

7 June 1566.

It is apounttit konkordit and agreit betuixt honourabill men, that is to Tweed cauld.
 say the baillies and counsaill of Peblis on that ane part and Stephane
 Robisoun burges of Peblis on that vther part, in maner form and effect as
 followis, that is to say, the said Stephane Robisoun bindis and oblissis him
 his airis executouris and assignes, and bessydis the samin bindis in claus of
 warrandis the buro land quhilk he obtynit of Andro Allexander and Thomas
 Pringill foirland quhilk the said Stephane is infest in, to hald in the watter
 to Tueid brig fra the end of the brig west to the kail heid sufficientlie,
 sua that the said baillies and counsall sall find na fault thairwith ; and inkais
 that Thomas Hopringill lowis his forland fra the said Stephane Robisoun his
 airis or assignis the said Stephane oblissis him and thame that the said
 hounderath merkis quhairon the saidis landis lysis salbe consignet in ane of
 the baillies handis of Peblis for the tyme, to the effect that the said baillies and
 counsall ma haif infestment thairof in claus of wairandice ; and als the said
 counsall and bailles ordanis to gif the said Stephane and his airis sassing
 of xvj lib. of annualrent of thair Auld Mill for the vphaidin of the said
 brig wairk yeirlie, to be rassit be the said Stevin his airis thairof say laing
 as thai hald in the walter, togider with the land, viz., corn land that the
 said Stephane ma win beyound the brig, resairvand thre gaittis ilk ane of
 thame xliiij fut of breid to be passagis, and the said baillies and counsaill
 oblist thame yeirle to gif the said Stephane ane dawirk of ilk inhabitur of
 the hailt toune to suport the said wairk, and failyeand thairof that thai that

Tweed cauld. hes na hors pay xvij d. and the horsmen iij s. quha giffis nocht the said dawirkis as said is yeirle to the said Stephane; and thair of the said Stephane askit instrument.

8 July 1566.

Gilbert
Browne.

The said day, the baillies ordanit to wairn Gilbert Browne, sumtyme freir and the rest of his breider sumtyme freirris, with certificatioun gif thai compeir nocht that Johne Dikisoun petition salbe haldin pro confesso to the nixt court.

1 August 1566.

Corne mills.

The baillies counsall and commonette off the burgh off Peblis hes, be commone ropin thre sindre diueris cortis to the maist awaill for commone weil, hes set thair tua corn millis to Sten Robisone burges off Peblis for all the dais of fyve yeiris nixt heirefter following, enterand thairto at Lammes in anno 1566 yeiris, and to lift all and sindre multeris that can be gottin thair off for fyve yeiris effter his entrie, for the quhilk assedatioun the said Sten Robisone biudis and oblissis him to content and pay to the baillies and commonite of the burgh of Peblis the sovme of nyue scor of merkis yeirle and ilk yeir vsuall mwne of Scotland at fowir termes in the yeir, viz., fourty fyv merkis at Auhallomes, Candelmes, Beltan and Lammes ay afforhand, and oblissis him to vphaild the said millis waik in all nessimisaris, and the millar to find cog rounge and tallo and vthir gud service, batht to poir and riche, lautoche in stuif resayuit, and sall nethir haid geis, foullis nor suyne, and the said Sten to vphaild the said millis in all nessimisaris in eir irn milstanis ruif milhous sufficientle and substantiusle, and to leif the said millis sawil providit at the ische of the said Sten tak that thai salbe in all nessimisaris ganand millis, and that the samin be vissit be the baillies and counsalle and thai be ony falt that the said Sten ma provid graithe thairto; and gif ony of the induellaris or niburis of the said burgh grind ony of thair cornis fra thair awin millis the baillies sall caus thame to gif ane multer atht quhat kynd of cornis it be that the said taxman is defraudit and quhaintate tharof and thairefter mak payment to the said Sten, except adawerle that the falt be found that the said millis standis

on bak watter be swperflws fldis or ellis by greit frosteis ; and the said balyes and commounete obllissis thame thair airris successoris to keip the said Stewin his airris and assignayis wmmolestit or trublit be one persone. . . .

Corne mills.

30 September 1566.

The said day, was chossing bailleis be generall ellectioun Rolland Scot and John Horsbruk [having received sixty and forty five votes, respectively,] for ane yeir, and thair aithe tane thairvpon as vs is. And in lykwaie John Dikisoun wais creat clerk of the said cort and his aith tane vpon ay and quhill he be dischairgit.

Baillies.

Clerk.

The said day, comperit in jugment John Wilsoun dikin of the wobstairs, and produseit ane supplicatioun to the prowest and baillies and dessirit the said baillies thair present that the said suplicatioun mycht be resayuet of thame, and to caus thair clerk registrar the samin in thair bukis, quhilk the said bailles abovne writtin grainttit. The tennour of the said dessir followis : Me lord prowest baillais counsaill and commonite of our burgh of Peblis, onto your lordschippis and maisterschippis, humle menis and schawis I, John Wilsone dikin of the wobstairs, by ewis and consent of the hail craift, that quhair your wisdovmis delyuerit vs fremen of the said craift wechtis accordin to the wecht of Edinburgh quhilk we ressayuet, and as yit as we wair affor is rede to resaw with the samin wechtis, conform to our promissis maid onto your maisterschippis, the werk of the countre and toune, and thair is ane pairt of sturburn personis quha will nocht be content to delyuer in thair stuift with the said wecht quhilk it lvis nocht in our possabillitte to compell tham, nocht the les sen the said wechtis was delyuerit to ws thair is neur ane nibur or vthir that cuir complement in our courtis on ony craiftis men of the wobstairs bot that thair wair ay willing to resaw with the said wechtis as said is, and requyris this our request to be resayuit in your bukis that gif ony nebur or countre man or woman hes just actioun to complen that thair ma be haird for the awodin of selander ; and your andssur and of the publicatioun and admiisioun the said John Wilsoun askit act and instrument.

Supplication of the wobstairs.

26 October 1566.

Flesh, butter,
cheis and
tallone.

It is statuet and ordainet [be the counsaill] that the fleis market be on the Satterday in tymes cuming, that na fleis be sauld on the Sunday in tymis cuming vnder the pane of eschitting of the samin, and that Pattirik Newtoun and John Frisall price the said fleis, and that nane be sauld derrer nor thai price the samyn; and siklike that na howkstairs sell butter and cheis with trois weyche vnder the pane eschitting of thair graythe that thai sell; and siklik that na tallone be weit bot with trone vudir the said pane.

22 February 1566.

Watch.

The counsaill ordanis the haill quharter of the toun nychtlic to walk in tymes cuming, enterin at viij houris at ein and to remain quhill thrie houris in the mornying, vnder the payne of viij s. vuforgevin; and that aither the principall waik or ellis ane as sufficient as he waipnit in armour and waippins as efferis.

Dykis, malt,
scheip.

And in lyk maner ordanis all heid dykis to be mendit quhay is faltis in-continent, vnder the pane of viij s.; and seiklyk that all auld actis tuching the malt and scheip be pute to dew executioun.

7 April 1567.

Preistis in St
Andrew Kirk.

The said daye, the baylles ordanes all the preistis qwha is in Sanct Andro Kirk to be wayrnet to compeir the nixt court to produce thair giffit of thair attragis affor thane, with thair presentatioun thairto, to be considerit be the patronis, with certifficacioun quha compiris nocht that the atterigis salbe desairnit in the patronis handis.

Injurious
words to a
baillie.

The haill inquest findis Thomas Dikisoun in the wraing for giffin Rolland Scot, baillie, ingurius wordis, and putis the said Thomas in the baillieis will thairfor.

Finlaw.

And ordanis that ane herd swld be put to the Finlaw betuix this and the penult day of April, and that na scheip be pastorit thairon, conform to the auld actis.

28 April 1567.

Preystis.

The juges ordanet all preystis within our cite of Peblis conweyne the

nixt court according to the former ack, and John Allane and Gilbert Twede personalle, *apud acta*, to prodwee thair tytill the nixt court. Preystis.

The said daye James Dawidsone, John Allane, Gilbert Twede, prebendar of the college kirk of Sanct Androwis, beand iawchfwlle prowydet thairto be the prowest baylles of Peblis indowtitt patrones of the samen, compeyrrit, desyryng and reqwyring Rolland Scot, John Horsbrwk, baylles of the said bwrgh, sittand in tym in jugment, the jwst extract of thair fundasciones and ewidentis allegit in thair custodie, and desyrris thair ansuer thairwpon, and in caiss of denegascione protestit for remeid of law, and the jwge twik instrument and ack of court thair na ewidentis was produscet be the said preistis bot onle ane deluid allegans, and thairfoir repellit the samyn simpliciter. Preistis in S
Andrew Kirk.

The hail inquest hes statuet and ordanit that na persone clem nor cast done the heid dykis nour maik na passegis our the samin in tymes cuming, vnder the paine the first falt viij s., the second sett in the tolbuith xxiiij houris, and the thrid banishing the toune; bot that every nibur pas to the portis and to do thair lessum bessines as effenis. Dykis.

30 July 1567.

The jugis desairnis Thomas Foster land to content and pay yeirlie to John Allen, prebender of Saunt Johne alter, xl d. of annuall rent, conform to the infement produseit in jugment *ex dato* the xxvj day of September anno j^m v^c xxv yeiris; and ordanis Jonat Lauder, relict of vmqubill James Fraunk, to pay say fair as extendis to hir infement providing that thair be say mikill defailkit conform to the actt of parliament. St Johne alter.

6 October 1567.

John Horsbrugh and Patrik Dikisoun chosing suorin and admittit bailleis for this present yeir. Baillies.

The said day was creat clerk of this court Jobne Dikisone, notar publict, and his aithe tane thairwpon as vse is. Clerk of court.

13 December 1567.

The baillies and maist part of the counsall of Peblis, be the tennour Thomas
Tuede's sons.

Thomas
Tuede's sons.

heirof, oblissis thame to Thomas Tuede and his sones that nixt vaken that fallis within the towne of Peblis that the said Thomas sones sall haif the samin, thai beand qualifit thairfor conform to the law and practis of this realm, and thair Thomas Tuede askit instrument.

28 *January* 1567.

Freemen.

The maist part of the counsall of our burgh of Peblis, couenit in the tolbuthe of Peblis, and statuet and ordanit that in all tymes cuming that thair be nocht permittit ony vnfremen to occupy an freman craift within the liberte of the toun of Peblis, and gif thai be apprehendit ony vnfremen occupyin ane fre man craift that the officaris of the burgh for the tyme sall escheit thair wairklumis that thai wirk with, and in lykwaie the stuif in thair handis to be escheit, and the secund falt punesching of thair bodiis at the baillies and counsall will, and the thrid falt to be reput and haildin as dissobaiaris of the auctoritte; and siklik ordanis wairn all the vnfremen within the town to cum and by thair fredowm betuix this [and] the saxt day of Merche nixt tocum, quhilk gif thai failye to certiffi thame that this present act salbe put to executioun aganis thame, and that the baillies maik na vnfremen sonnes burges vnder the sowm of xl s. and the thesaurrar to audssur thairfor conform to his resait.

Scheip.

The counsall ordanis the bailleis to put the auld actis to dew executioun tueching [thame] that hes scheip within the town of Peblis, and that thai be nocht permittit to haif the saidis scheip bot that ordur be tane with thame conform to the auld actis.

Men of weir.

And siclik ordanis that ane of the baillies with ane vthir nibur pas to Edinburgh and trawell for the poir werkmen selwer quhilk the men of war is aulten, on the towne expensis.

6 *February* 1567.

Gifts.

The counsalle ordanis the thesaurar to by xij hennes on the toun expens, and to caus vj of thame to be delyuerit to Mr Daud Magill thair aduocat, and vthir sax to Alexander Hay seryb to the secret counsall.

Menstrail.

The counsall admittis William Purwis colmoun menstrail for ane yeir, and

ordanis him to be andssurit be the thesaurar of xl s. be yeir indurin the tyme he seruis in his office quhill he be dischargit. Menstrail.

4 October 1568.

William Dikisone and John Frisall [having received forty-three and thirty-one votes respectively,] chosing and suorin. Baillies.

The counsaill chossing be the said baillies this present yeir : John Horsbruch, Patrik Dikisone, James Linde thesaurar, John Dikisone elder, James Wilsoun, Patrik Vaiche, John Wychtman, Thomas Tuede, Patrik Newtown, George Horsbruch, Robert Scot, William Kelle dekin ; and John Dikisone clerk. Counsals.

The baillies, be awis of the counsaill, tuk Johne [Dikisone] suorin lellele and trule to vse the office of clerkship of the said burgh, conform to his gift maid and gifin to him thairvpone for his lyftym, vudir thair commoun seill, and thair of Johne Dikisone askit instrument. Clerk.

13 October 1568.

The counsaill of the burgh of Peblis ordanis ane of the officiaris to pas to James Crow sculmaster, and warin him to se for himself at Auhallomes, and to dischaig thair said maister fra the said term baik of Auhallomes nixttoeum. Sculmaster.

And siklik the said counsaill [ordanis] all nyctburis to kep thair waiche within the said burgh, enterand at the hour assignit and continuand quhill the baillies admit thame to depart, vuder the pane of xxi s. Watch.

27 July 1569.

The quhilk day, comperit John Haye and desyrit the bailye William Dikesoun to produse his commiscioun quhair he had power to sit that day, quha confescit he had nane commiscioun prorogat nor had purchasit na power nor lycens of the lordis of cessioun, and insafair as thair grantit thair had nane I say and allegis thair hawe na power to sit on vne qwha is ane landwart man and hes hairwest in landwart owtuith the burgh, and sayis further that all power is tane fra sheref and baillies be ane act of parliament of the Thre Estatis of this realme and sua all power is tane be vertu Baillies commission required to be produced.
Harvest.

Baillies com-
mission re-
quired to be
produced.
Harvest.

of the said act baith fra sheref and baillie becaus of the feriat and clois tyme of harvist, and protestis for remeid of law and nullite of proceis in case thai proceed.

The juge requirit Johne Hay to produce the act of parliament gif thair ony be to verify the said allegiance abone writting, quha grantit that he hes na act subscriuit this day to produce, and he beand warnit xx dayis afoir aucht and suld haif comperit to haif productit the said act as he that was warnit to heir the sentence gevin.

Commoun
Struthir.

The inqueist findis be cognitioun that Denys Elphingstoun of Henders-toun hes bene in possessioun of the thrid part of the landis of the Com-moun Struthir be ane famous probatioun ressauit sworne and admittit, and ordanit Johne Hay to desist and ceis thairfra in all tymes cuming, conforme to justice, ay and quhill he be lauchfullie callit and ourdourlie put thairfra be the law.

3 October 1569.

Provest.

The said day William lord Hay of Yister was creat provest of the burgh of Peblis for ane yeir and maid his aith thairupone conforme to the actis of burrolawis and parliament maid thairupone, of the quhilk the said provest askit instrument.

Baillies.

Stene Robesone and Mertyn Hay creat baillies for this present yeir be electioun of the provest baillies and communitie and maid thair aithis as vse is.

Dikeson of
Winkestoun,
Kirk graith.

The said day Johne Dikesone of Winkestoun grantit and confessit in juge-ment that he wes contentit that na man suld be in office in tymes cuming within the burgh of Peblis that had outhir offendit the commontie of the said towne or yit had ony intromissioun with the kirk graith, and Thomas Hoppingill tuk instrument that thai quha had ado thairwith suld mak deliuerance thairof and compt and rakkyning that it mycht be furthcumand to the commoun weil.

12 December 1569.

Auld actis.

The inqueist ordanis the auld actis to be drawin and to be put to dew executioun and proclaimit in all poyntis, and that all nyctbouris to fortify thair baillies in executioun of thair offices, and that na bangistaris be per-

mittit to be inwyth this tovne to do injury to vtheris bot that the baillies pwnys the offendouris as efferis; and forthir that the heid dykis be edifit conforme to the auld actis; and that inquisitioun be maid of pykeris, and that ordour be tane thairintill. And siclike that thair be na ait breid bakin in this tovne bot that the baxstaris baik kakis, and that na flesche be blawin nor latting done vnder the pane of eschaeting.

30 *January* 1569.

Sir Johne Allane, notare publict, wes restorit and reponit to his place to vse the office of clerkschip of the burgh of Peblis, and wes creat of new clerk agane conforme to my lord provest missiue and hand writting and life-rent, geving be vmquhile Johne lord Hay of Yester, baillies counsale and communitie, vnder thair subscriptioun and commoun seill, and ratifiit and appreivit the samin for all the dayis of the said Sir Johne lifetyme, conforme to his title and gift, and maid his aith of new as vse is for obseruing of the samin lelelie and trewlie, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument.

Auld actis.
Sir Johne Allane, common clerk, restored.

The maist part of the communitie and Mertyn [Hay] ane of the baillies hes obeyit my lord hand writting tuiching the restoring of Sir Johne Allane to his office of clerkschip of the burgh of Peblis conforme to his life-rent geving thairupone and thairupone the baillie foirsaid and communitie askit instrument.

The said day, Andro Frank, be command of Mertyn Hay baillie, was chargit be ane of the officiaris of the burgh of Peblis to remane within the kingis ward ay and quhill the iniurious wordis quhilk he said in jugement apone the membris of court, and speciale vpone Sir Johne Allane clerk wer maid gud, quhilk wordis followis: that he suld preif the said Sir Johne ane fals and fenyeit notare; and passit furth of ward without licence and sua brak the ward, and thairupone the juge Mertyn Hay askit instrument and protestit for remeid of law conforme to the dailie practis of the realme. And siclike David Creichtoun scoilmaister, beand chargit in ward for disobedience brak the said ward, without licence of ony juge or juges, and thairupone the said baillie askit instrument and protestit as is abone writtin.

Sir Johne Allane, clerk.

Scoilmaister.

The juge, with avise of the maist part of the communitie, ordanit the commoun bukis, baith registraris and court buikis, to be carrit and obseruit

Commoun bukis.

Common
bukis.

in the common kistis within sax houris heirefter, vnder the pane of foir-falting of the kepin of the samin libertie, conforme to the act maid thairupone the xxvij day of Januare last bypast.

Clerk.

The said day, Mertyn Hay one of the baillies of Peblis, with avise of the counsale communite and maist pairt thairof, askit instrument that he desyrit Dauid Creichtoun notare publict burges of Peblis to deliuer him the extract of the act maid the xxvij day of this instant that thai mycht haif inspectioun thairof for putting of the contentis of the samin to dew executioun. To the quhilk the said Dauid Creichtoun, notare, ansuerit sayand that he wald deliuer na extract of the said act nor yit inspectioun thairof without letteres of compulsioun, allegeand the said baillie had dischargit him of his office and electit ane vther clerk in his place, and for that caus wald gif na extract as said is, and of new the said baillie causit Patrik Williamsone officiare charge the said Dauid in ward to do as said is quha hes of before brak ward and dissobeyit; and the said baillie tuk instrumentis that he, conforme to my lord provest writting alanerlie, restorit Sir Johne notare publict and reponit the said Sir Johne in his place as liferentare thairof, quha wes spulyeit of his said office be the space of sevin yeiris bygane or thairby, and nocht as the said Dauid allegit; and thairupone the said Mertyn Hay, baillie, askit instrument and dischargit the said Dauid of ony forthir instructioun of the scoill; and gif he continewit thairintill dischargit him of ony stipend heirefter bot to stand till his aventur thairof.

Tovne bukis.

The said day Mertyn Hay, baillie, chargit Stene Robesone his college, be Patrik Williamsone officiare, to cum and assist him to pas and requyre the bukis, baith registaris and court bukis of the tovne, to be obseruit and kept in thair common hous in kistis within the stepill, in the provest name counsale and maist part of the communite of the samin, quha refusit to do as he wes requirit, and thairupone the said baillie, Martyn Hay, askit instrument befor thir wites: Alexander Gowane, Johne Scot and Patrik Williamsone, burro seriand.

Common
scribe.

The said day, Sir Johne Allane, notare publict, common scribe of the burgh of Peblis, requirit Dauid Creichtoun, notare, to gif him the copy of the defences gevin in anentis the clame geving be him aganis Johne Nobill, togidder with all vtheris scrowis nocht being registrat in the bukis, baith registratis and court bukis, and in cace he refusit the samin it suld nocht

preinge the said Sir Johne actioun, togidder with the interloquitour and clame lyand in proces etc., quha anserit and said: Stene Robesone the vther baillie gaif him na command thairto. Common scribe.

1 February 1569.

Electi pro thesaurario fiendis: George Horsbruk, Thomas Hesilhope maltman, Arthure Johnkesone. [Horsbruk receives fourty four votes; Hesilhope, two; and Johnkesone two.] Thesaurare.

The said day, George Horsbruk wes creat thesaurare of the burgh of Peblis and maid aith as vse is, conforme to practis of the burrow lawis and my lord provest hand writting direct thairupone.

The counsale for this yere: My lord provest, [Here follow the names of the two bailies, treasurer, and fourteen others]. Counsale.

7 February 1569.

The said day, my lord provest, with avise of the baillies counsale and communitie, ordanis that na man nor woman be anserit nor yit the thesaurare deburse ony money in tymes cuming of ony commoun gudis without ane speciale avise of my lord provest baillies counsale and communitie. Debursing of commoun gudis.

13 February 1569.

[Of this date acts ordaining a nightly watch to be kept and head dykes to be built were passed]. Watch and head dykis.

The inqueist ordanis that the commoun bell be nocht rounge in tymes cuming quhill the party haif command of the baillies, and quhen the baillies comperis to the gait all nychtbouris and induellairis within the burgh to convene with him, vnder the pane of viij s. The bell to frayis.

Siclike it is statut and ordanit that na strangearis be lugeit nor ressaunt in lugeing within the tovne vnder silence of nycht nor yit on day lycht, bot the ressauneris of the saidis strangearis cum to the baillies and aduertis thame thairof and ansuer for thame quhill the morne the sone rys, in cace thai or ony of thame commit ony skaith or hurt to ony our Souerane Lordis subiectis of the realme, vnder the pane of viij s. and skaith sustenit be the awner, etc. Strangearis.

The said inqueist ordanis all scrowis and buikis, beand in vmquhile John Scrowis.

Scrowis. Dikesone possessionn, vndeliuerit of before, to be deliuerit to the commoun scribe of the burgh to be registrat in the tovne buikis, conforme to the ordour takin thairintill vnder the pane of deprivation of thair libertie and viij s. of vulaw.

Castelhill and middynniss thairof. The inqueist ordanis the middynniss to be tane away of the Castelhill with all diligence, and siclike all the middynniss to be tane away of the hie gait, and to be halding away of the samin in all tymes cuming, vnder the pane of viij s. the first falt, and escheting of the muk the secud falt als oft as thai be ony middynniss found thairupone.

17 February 1569.

Thesaurare. The said day, George Horsbruk, thesaurare, protestit gif he war nocht ansuerit of the commoun gudis as vtheris thesauraris wes of auld, of all dewiteis and commoun gudis in tymes cuming, siclike as wes in tymes bygane, vtherwayis he wald discharge him of his office, and desyrit the provest and baillies to caus him be ansuerit thairof.

24 February 1569.

The tovne walling. The baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, all in ane mynde and voce, is contentit that the tovne and burgh of Peblis be wallit rownd about as thai think maist necessare, in maist sufficient place, as thai think maist expedient, and is contentit that all the dykis within the wall, baith syde dykis thortour dykis and croce dikis by onsettis of houssis, be takin for bigging and edifying of the said wall without ony cummer or truble, and siclike the situatioun of the wall without ony cummer.

Hammiltoun hill. Siclike the haill communitie is contentit that the hill of Hammiltoun be heritabillic analiit to my lord Yester, or ony vther that will gif maist thairfore, vnder reuersioun, contenand siclike somve as can be getting thairfore.

The act auentis the walling of the tovne. The provest and baillies counsale and hall communitie hes conduit and set the walling of the haill tovne and burgh of Peblis rownd about, begynnand at the golt fute, quhilk wes casting vnder Patrik Newtown yard, and cumand northie about to Peblis Walter endand at Yschare port, and than west about to the said golt fute, contenand four elnis heich half ane elne ground and all thre fute half of brede, with blok houssis as efferis in places convenient, and that to Stene Robesone baillie and Thomas Lawder

masone and sic collegis as thai think caus, for the quhilk caus thai sall haif the proffittis of the tua cornes milnes and Walk Milne and land pertenant thairto for ten yeris, beguand thairto at Beltane nixtocum, and sall vphald the saidis milnis sufficientlie in aik irne and vtheris necessariis; and siclike the said provest baillies counsale communitie and inhabitantis thairof sall by and lay in for this present yere tua hundreth ladis of lyme betuix this and pasche nixtocum, and sal begyn to cast the ground betuix this the first day of Marche, and sall compleit the said werk within four [yeris] nixt thair- efter; and siclike the provest baillies counsale and communitie and inhabi- tantis of the said burgh sall yerelie cary tua hundreth ladis of lyme to the said wall during the walling thairof, and sa sone it salhappyn the provest baillies counsale and communitie to pay tua hundreth merkis money als oft it sall defalk ane yeir tak of the milnis to ryn.

The act
anentis the
walling of the
tovne.

25 February 1569.

The hors of the tovne ordanit to feche lyme yerelie to the tovne walling: Patrik Govane, ii. hors; John Portus, i.; Patrik Dikesone, ii.; James Gowane, elder, ii.; William Peblis, ii.; Robert Wilsone, i.; Robert Scot, i.; David Plenderlaith, i.; James Gowane younger, ii.; John Bullo, ii.; Johne Glaschen, ii.; Mertyn Hay, ii.; Johne Stensone, i.; Andro Wychtman, i.; Johne Wychtman, ii.; William Bell, i.; George Horsbruk, ii.; Johne Lythquo, i.; Robert Andersone, i.; William Lillay, i.; James Howburne, i.; Patrik Lowys, i.; The lard Hendirstoun, ii.; Robert Foster, i.; Thomas Hesilhope, ii.; James Wilsone, ii.; Johne Wod, ii.; William Wilsone, ii.; Johne Brady, ii.; Johne Watsone, ii.; Andro Stewart, i.; Johne Towne, ii.; Gilbert Cheisholme, i.; Andro Cheisholme, ii.; William Lowys, ii.; Nicholl Vache, ii.; Thomas Hesilhope, ii.; Patrik Vache, i.; Andro Alexander, i.; William Dikesone, ii.; Johne Stensone, i.; Katherine Portus, i.; Thomas Lowis, ii.; James Tuedy, ii.; Eduard Wychtman, ii.; Thomas Merschell, ii.; Eduard Gowane, i.; Johne Scot, ii.; Eduard Robesone, ii.; James Dikesone, i.; Wille Wilsone wife, i.; Johne Scot, i.; William Dikesone, ii.; Johne Lowys, i.; Thomas Dikesone, ii.; Charles Banerman, i.; Hectour Cranstoun, i.; Johne Kirkwod, i.; Johne Ecfurd, ii.; Johne Fresall, ii.; Arthure Johnkesone, ii.; James Schillinglaw, ii.; Johne Gladdo, i.; Johne Bullo, i.; Johne Haldane, i.; Patrik Murray, i.; Thomas Dikesone, i.;

Carriage of
lime to the
town wall.

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Frances Cauerhill, i.; Johne Dicsone, i.; Johne Patersone, ii.; Adam Dikesone, i.; Laurence Craufurd, i.; Jonet Quhite, i.; Thomas Tuedy, ii.; Johne Horsbruk, ii.; William Fyldare, i.; Achilles Gladdo, i.; Johne Mosman, ii.; Johne Horsbruk, ii.; Thomas Smyth, ii.; Patrik Newtoun, ii.; Thomas Portus, ii.; Alexander Gowane, ii.; Johne Wilson, ii.; Johne Smyth, i.

The names of the tovne that wantis hors: Eduard Johnson, i.; Johne Watson, i.; Johne Portus younger; Nimiane Portus, i.; Eduard Hendersone, i.; James Cokburne, i.; Arche Neisbeth, i.; Johne Stensone, i.; Johne Sandersone, i.; Margreit Tuedie, i.; James Stensone, i.; Adam Dik, i.; Patrik Lowys, i.; Sir Robert Hoip, i.; William Cleghorne, i.; Adam Cauerbill, i.; William Smail, ii.; Matho Bell, i.; James Portus, i.; William Ecfurd, i.; James Cruzcane, i.; Jonet Foster, i.; Robert Young, i.; Gilbert Hay, i.; Robert Brovne, ii.; Thomas Bennet, i.; Andro Frank, i.; Johne Makke, i.; Johne Smail, i.; Cristiane Hope, i.; Patrik Thomsone, i.; Thomas Blakstok, i.; George Cokkare, i.; William Tuedy, i.; James Atzin, i.; Margreit Geddes, i.; Gilbert Glaschen, i.; James Dikesone, i.; Adam Hog, i.; Daud Robesone, i.; Johne Williamsoun, i.; Stene Greif, i.; James Maitland, i.; Johne Peblis, ii.; Johne Phillip, ii.; Johne Dikesone, i.; William Fairle; Johne Andersone, i.; James Cranstoun, i.; William Rechartsoun, i.; Alexander Mathosone; Adam Cunyngame, i.; Johne Robyn, i.; James Dowgell, i.; Gilbert Tuedy, ii.; Alexander Fell, i.; Johne Hog, ii.; Mertyn Craufurd, i.; Sir Thomas Neilson, ii.; Freir Gilbert Brovn, ii.; Thomas Smyth, i.; James Lowys, i.; Johne Newtoun, i.; Johne Robyn, i.; Johne Hay in Smythfeild, ii.; James Haldane, i.; Arche Haldane, i.; Patrik Robesone, ii.; Thomas Tueddaill, i.; Johne Edmond, i.; Johne Schankis, i.; Johne Murray, i.; James Cokkare; Andro Ewmond, i.; Peter Scheill, i.; James Stewart, ii.; Mr Thomas Archibald, ii.; Johne Stirling, i.; Thomas Ewmond, i.; Johne Wilson, i.; Johne Wilson younger, i.; James Thorbrand, ii.; William Kelle, ii.; Johne Fairle, i.; Johne Wyle, i.; Gilbert Andersone, i.; Thomas Patersone, ii.; Robert Patersone, i.; Johne Wychtman, i.; Susteris Plenderlathe, i.; Johne Cheisholme.

Reveilling
counsale.

The provest baillies counsale and communite statutis and ordanis quhatsumeuery persone beand sworne on counsale happynis to reveill ony counsale, the samin beand knawin, he salbe contentit of his awne consent

to be deprivat of all counsale in tymes cuming and to be deprivat of thar libertie and fredome, and to brouk na offices within the libertie of the said burgh thairefter, and gif ony counsale be oppynnit the samin to be tryit quha is the first revelare thairof and incur the panis foirsaidis.

Reveiling
counsale.

2 March 1569.

The hail counsale is content, gif ony of thame be absent for the setting forward of the walling of the tovne in tymes to be appoyntit, sua thair be sax present the hail counsall sall affirme the samin, and be thir presentis affirmis the samin, concernyng the said werk and walling of the tovne, and that becaus it standis to be begun on the poynt and sindry of the counsall hes ado that thai may nocht await thairupone, and ordanis Stene Robeson baillie to gif his ansuer gif he wald fulfill his promis anentis the walling of the tovne, quha tuk avisament to the vij day of Merche to gif his ansuer nagatiue or affirmitiue.

Counsale for
walling of the
tovne.

The hail counsale ordanis Adam Gilleis officiare to ressaue the out watches at xij houris nychtlie to pas furth vtouth the burro ruddis, and to walk quhill the sone rysing, and that ane of the outwaches enter nychtly afore the glomyng, and sua ilk ane of the outwaches thair nycht about, and that nane be ressaueit in wache without thai haif speir, jak, steill bonet, swerd, and buklare; and Adam Gilleis to haif ane boll of meill thairfore quhill Witsunday nixtocum.

Ane commoun
act of wache.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to sycht and vesy the armour of all nychtbouris and induellaris in the burgh of Peblis, particularle of thair bodyis, that thai haif instantlie, and quha wantis to caus the samin be reformit, ilk ane to thair awne habilite, vnder the pane of viij s. vulaw als aff as thai be requirit and failyeis thairintill.

The nycht-
bouris armour.

7 March 1569.

The said day, Stene Robesone, baillie, ane of the pertinaris of the milnis for walling of the tovne, requirit to gif his ansuer this day being assignit thairto, gaif his ansuer that he wald haif na do nor intrometting thairwyth, and the counsale and communitie thairefter to do that thing concernyng commoun weill and quhatsumeuer thing the counsale to stand and be contentit thairwith and for his part to affirme the samin; and thairupone George Horsbruk, thesaurare, askit instrument.

The walling
of the tovne.

Stene
Robesone.

The said day, George Horsbruk, thesaurare, in name and behalf of the haill counsale and communitie, desyrit Stene Robesone, baillie, possessour of the saidis come milnis to produce his tak of the samin to be sychtit and that thai may fynd remeid thairfore, and the said Stene Robesone, baillie, to remoif him of the counsale quhill interloquontour be taking thairupone.

And the said counsale be thair interloquontour offerit to the said Stene, baillie, to aigment him thre yeris of his tak mair nor the ten yeris of the milnis for walling of the tovne acceptand his awne sextene pundis of annuell yerelie, in his awne hand, quba refusit *simpliciter* to haif ony intronetting thairwith as afore.

The said day, efter the pronuneyng of the said interloquontour, the hale counsale hes set the walling of thair tovne and burgh of Peblis to Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lawder, masone, conforme to the indent maid thairupone, augmenting thre yeris takkis of the milnis and euerilk yere ij^e hors careche of lyme, and the interprisaris of the said werk to pay Stene Robesone, baillie, his annuell during the saidis threttene yeris tak, and the said Sir Johne bindis his landis and heritage thairfore; and siclike Thomas Lauder, masone, and his airis is bound for his part thairof baith to relefe the said Sir Johne and the tovne becaus he hes nocht fre heretage thairintill, and thairupone the counsale and partiis *hinc inde* askit instrument and ordanit ane lettre of tak efter the forme and temour of the indent to be maid and insert thairefter in the tovne buikis.

Indenture of
the walling of
the tovne and
burgh.

This indenturis maid at Peblis, the vii day of Merche yere of God ane thousand five hundreth and thre score nyne yeiris, beris contenis and portis that it is finalie appunctit aggreit and compromittit betuix William lord Hay of Yester, provest of the burgh of Peblis, Mertyn Hay, Stevin Robesone, baillies of the said burgh, counsale and communitie of the samin, on that ane part; and Sir Johne Allane common clerk and Thomas Lauder, masone, on that vther part, in maner forme and effect as efter followis, that is to say, the saidis provest baillies counsale and haill communitie hes conduit and feyit the walling of the said tovne and burgh of Peblis rovnd about, begynnand at the golt fute, quhilk wes casting vnder Patrik Gowane yard fute, and cumand north about inwith my lord Borthik wallis to Peblis Walter, endand at Yschare Wynde and Port, and than west about to Peblis brig, and fra thyne done the bak of the south syde of the

tovne to the said golt fute, contenand four elnis half heich ground and all, thre futtis half ane fut of breif, with blok houssis as efferis in places convenient. For the quhilk caus the said Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder, masone, sall haif the profittis of the tua corne milnis, walk miln and land pertenant thairto, for the space of threttene yeris, thair entre begynmand thairto at the Feist of the Inuentioun of the Croce callit Beltane nixtocum, and sall ressaue the saidis milnis sufficient in aik irne stanis and vther necessariis, and during the saidis threttene yeris sall vphald thame sufficiently in aik irne and vtheris necessariis, and sall leif thame als sufficient at the ische of thair tak as thai ar at thair entre thairto: attour the said tovne and communitie sall by and lay in this present yere tua hundreth ladis of lyme betuix this and Pasche to begyn the said werk with, and yerelie during the saidis four yeris quhill the said werk be completit tua hundreth ladis of lyme, and the saidis Sir Johne, Thomas, and thair seruandis, sall begyn and cast the ground quhowson the saidis tua hundreth ladis of lyme ar laid to the werk; and the saidis Sir Johne and Thomas sall haif all the dikis, syde dykis and thortour dykis, and vtheris stanis within the wall, by onsettis of houssis alanerle; and sall compleit the said werk and wall within four yeris nixt efter the said werk be begown. Forthir quhowson it salhappyn the provest baillies counsale and communitie pay to the saidis Sir Johne and Thomas tua hundreth merkis money, als oft it sall discharge ane yere tak of the saidis milnis, provyding alwayis that the saidis Sir Johne and Thomas sall pay Stene Robesone yerlie during the saidis threttene yeris his saxtene pundis of annuell. In witnes of the quhilk thing the saidis provest baillies and counsale hes subscriuit the samin, in maner following, day yere and place foirsaid. Sequuntur subscriptiones: William, lord Hay of Yester; Martyn Hay, baillie; Stene Robesone, baillie; George Horsbruk, thesaurare; Denys Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, James Tuedy, Patrik Dikesone, James Gowane, Thomas Tuedy, William Lowys, Johne Horsbruk, Thomas Hesilhope, Patrik Newtoun, Johne Wychtman, William Dikesone, Andro Frank, Gilbert Tuedy, James Wilstone.

Indenture of
 the walling of
 the tovne and
 burgh.

The counsale hes ordanit the mercat to begyn at tua houris efter novne, and to sell and met meill quhill sax houris at ewin, and that nane be sauld thairefter vnder the pane of deling of the samin.

Mercat.

20 *March* 1569.

Paying
wachis.

The counsale ordanis the rest of the siluer pertenant to the outwachis to poynd and destrenye for the samin, and deliuer the poyndis thairof to the outwachis quhill thai be payit, and thairefter to gadder thair wagis throw the tovne to fey thame of new agane quhill thair be ane new ordour takin.

Gunnaris.

The counsale ordanis Johne Wychtman to conduce and fe sax gunnaris, to cum to the tovne incontinent, on the tovne expensis, as thai will tak ordour thairwith, and that thai be in Peblis on Tusday at ewin, and the baillies oblist to releif thame of thair payment and wageis; and ordanis the hail quarter to walk nychtlie.

3 *April* 1570.

Defence of
tovne.

The counsale ordanis that euery nychtbour compeir to the Hie Gait with thair armour quhosone the swische strykis, vnder the paine of thame that absentis thame thairfra to be accusit hes ane partakkare and assistaris of thame that invadis the said tovne, and that the swische strike nocht without it be the tovne actioun, vnder the pane foirsaid.

6 *April* 1570.

Frayis.

The baillies counsale and communitie ordanis the baillies, accompanit with the nychtbouris and inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, to assist togidder and to be reddy with armour for stancheing of cummeris, alsweill bygane as to cum, in cace ony suddand tulye fall accidentlie within the liberte of burgh, vnder the pane of foirfaltung of thair fredome; and all persones quha hes offendit to stand vnder arrestament, and specialie William Tuedy; and quhosone ony of thame cum to the tovne to be wardit within the tolboth quhill thai fynd caution to ansuer afore jugeis ordinaris as accordis of the law, and this failye to be tryit at my lord incuming in the cuntre.

12 *April* 1570.

Cummaris.

The maist part of the counsale ordanis the baillies to write to my lord provest anentis the trublance dependand amangnis nychtbouris for avoyding of cummeris in tymes cuming, and that ane addresseament be tane thair-

intill be my lord personalle present, that reformatioun may be maid as accordis, conforme to our auld libertie and fredome of burgh, that nychtbouris thairafter may leif at quyetnes and rest in tymes cuming; and ordanis ane writting to be maid with ane honest man and send to my lord as commissioneare to the tovne.

Cummaris.

The provest baillie and counsale ordanis the counsale to convene and sycht the passage quhair the wall of the tovne suld be set and consider the samin, that quhen the werk is begynnand that the interprisaris thair of be nocht cummerit in the setting forward of the said wall, bot that thai haif fre passage without ony cummer, on the tovne expensis.

Town wall.

18 April 1570.

The baillies and maist pairt of the counsale, and Mertyn Craufurd consent, ar content to cheis newtrale men to satyfy the said Mertyn for the skaith sustenit be him in the setting of the wall of the tovne within his heretage, at the sycht of thir persones vnder writtin, schosing be consent of baith the partiis, viz.: the said Mertyn Craufurd is content of his awne proper confessioun that the baillies and counsale comprise his hous instantlie as it standis, tymber and wallis, and to satify him thairfore, or ellis to mak him als gude ane hous in thak wallis and tymber as accordis, and forthir to satify him for the rovme of the situatioun of the wall as passis through his heretage, conforme to the vse of the tovne efferand thairto, and to satify all vtheris havand entres in siclike caces; and thairvpon the thesaurare George Horsbruk askit instrument.

Mertyn
Craufurd and
walling of the
tovne.

The provest baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis hes constitut Dennys Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, James Tuedy, George Horsbruk and Johne Fresall, coniunctlie and severale, procuratouris for the tovne, counsale and communitie thair of, aentis the commoun welth and walling of the tovne.

Tovnes pro-
curatouris.

6 May 1570.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to caus thair officiaris charge David Creichtoun to remane in ward within the tolbuth vnto the tyme he deliueris all the scrowis that is in his hand kepan to the commoun clerk, that thai may be registrat in the court buikis.

Scrowis.

8 May 1570.

Away takin
materiales fra
the commoun
werk.

The provest baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis hes statut and ordanit that [na] induellare within the burgh of Peblis, nouthre fremen nor vtheris, tak away nor introuet with ony materialis lyand at the commoun werk and walling of the tovne, sic as sand lyme stanis tubbis standis bukkatis spadis schulis pikkis mattokkis gawillokkis sand pokkis, mandis or barrowis, or intend to win ony sand in Skynner Hewcht quhill the commoun werk be endit, vnder the pane of forfaling of the fremen of thair libertie and banissing of the vnfremen the tovne.

20 June 1570.

Town wall.
Deliverance of
arbiters.

The quhill day, be the ordinance of the provest baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, conforme to thair deliuerance of ane bill direct thairupone of before, of the dait at Peblis the xxviiij day of Aprile anno 1570, viz., Denis Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, Mertyn Hay baillie, Sir Johne Allane, Johne Stodert, James Tuedy, Alexander Gowane, chosing for Mertyn Craufurd; and Stene Robesone baillie, Patrik Newtown, George Horsbruk, William Lowys, and William Dikesone younger, chosing for the tovne: anentis the situatioun of the wall within ane part of the said Mertyn Craufurd heretage, the said sworne men ordanis and decretis the provest baillies counsale and communitie to content pay and deliuer to the said Mertyn Craufurd for the skaithis sustentit be him this present yere, for the inlaik of the profit of his taill and yard, ane boll beir; and Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder, interprisaris of the werk, for inlaik of this present yere, to pay the said Mertyn half ane stane of lyut, and the said provest baillies and communitie to releif the said Mertyn Craufurd his airis quhatsumeuer at the handis of Johne Tuedy student and vtheris, prebendaris of the Rude alter, of the yerelie payment of sex s. for the situatioun of the said wall within his said taill, and to mak the said Mertyn annuell of his forbuth fre, and to gif him sic securite for the yerelie payment thair of as afferis, and that nane molest nor cummer the interprisaris of the said wall of the situatioun thair of within thair boundis. And to pay for ilk laid lyme for the careche iij s. vj d. the first yere, and the rest of the yeris iij s. alanerlie for ilk careche.

14 July 1570.

The haill counsalle present for the tyme ordanis Stene Robesone, baillie, accompanit with George Horsbruk thesaurare, and Andro Alexander, pas done to Edinburgh with the tovne commissioun the xvj day of Julij for the establissing of the regiment of the realme, conforme to the clois missiue send to my lord provest baillies and communitie of the burgh of Peblis be my lordis Lenox, Angus, Mortoun, Mar, Glencairn, Ruthven, Glamis, Vchiltre and Carthcart, datit at Striueling the xxij day of Junii anno 1570.

Regiment of
the realme.

Sielike, the counsalle ordanis ane ansuer to be maid to maister Robert Inschaw, conforme to the contentis of his writting, etc.

Mr Robert
Inschaw.

1 August 1570.

The counsalle hes ordanit Mertyn Hay, baillie, William Bell, James Gowane, Patrik Vache, Johne Wod, Patrik Dikesone, Thomas Dikesone, Johne Wychtman, to ryde furth with my lord to the hoist to the raid in Lythquo, conforme to the proclamatioun, providing alwayis that my lord gif his obligatioun to releif the tovne harmeles at the thesaurare handis.

Raid in
Lythquo.

25 August 1570.

My lord provest baillies and counsalle fyndis William Dikesone wife in the wrang in stryking of Blais Stewart with hir fauldit neif, and ordanis hir to ask the said Blais Stewart forgifnes, sayand sche hes failyet.

William
Dikesone
wife.

2 October 1570.

The said day Stene Robesone, Mertyn Hay, baillies, Denys Elphingstoun, Johne Wychtman, James Tuedy, Johne Bullo, James Gowane younger, Gilbert Tuedy, Patrik Vache, Johne Wod, Thomas Tuedy, William Lowys, William Dikesone, Patrik Dikesone, Andro Alexander, Patrik Newtoun, maist part of the counsalle, ordanit and be the tennour heirof ordanis the charge and letteres direct be the Kingis Maiestie his graces regent and lordis of secreit counsalle anentis the chesing of thair provest baillies and commoun officiaris,

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and commoun
officiaris.

Kingis lettres anentis electiōne of provest baillies and commoun officiaris.

and compt rakkyuning payment and deliuerance of thair commoun gudis and kirk graith, to be obeyit in forme and effect as effieris, efter the tenour of the saidis letteres, apone the quhilk obedience Denys Elphinstoun in name and behalf of the baillies and counsale foirsaid askit instrument.

Baillies.

The electis chosing this present yeir be my lord provest to be baillies : Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Newtown, James Gowane, younger, William Lowys, Johne Fresall, William Dikesoun.

The said day Johne Horsbruk and Patrik Newtown wes chosing and electit baillies be commoun wotis and maid thair aith as vse is.

Provest electing.

The baillies and counsale hes electit William lord Hay of Yester provest for ane yeir, ald vsit and wont, and maid his aith as vse is, conforme to the act of parliament and burrolawis ; and thairupone the said lord askit instrument.

The dekin of wobstaris.

The said day, Peter Sheill, textour, wes ressaut in jugement dekin sworne and admittit, and thairupone the said Peter askit instrument that the samin wes done be consent of the hail craft.

Dissobediēcie of my lord Regentis letteres.

The said day, James Tuedy, in name and behalf of the counsale and communitie, and assisting of our Souerane Lord and his graces Regent letteres and charge direct anentis the chosing of provest baillies and commoun officiaris, [protestit] that William Dikesone and Johne Horsbruk wes nocht abill to be chosing as electis to be baillies in respect of our said Souerane Lord and his graces Regent letteres and charge, becaus thai war baith culpable of ane part of the gudis and kirk graith, allegeand thairthrow thai dissobeyit the said charge and letteres, and thairupone the said James askit instrument.

Johne Horsbruk confessioun.

And the said Johne Horsbruk confessit in jugement ane part of ane chalice deliuerit to him be James Tuedy, thesaurare for the tyme, and is redly to mak compt rakkyuning and payment thairof, and William Dikesone denyis simpliciter intronmissioun outhir with commoun gudis or kirk graith bot that quhilk he had payit, and protestit in cace outhir of thame wer electit baillie that our said Souerane Lord and his graces regent letteres and charge wes dissobeyit.

Tuedy contra the electis.

To the quhilk anseris James Tuedy that he gaif ony part of chalice to Johne Horsbruk bot that the said Johne Horsbruk, being baillie for the tyme, compellit him as ane subject, the said Johne beand superiour becaus

the said James wes kepare of ane of the keyis of thair commoun kist, and thairupone askit instrument.

Tuedy contra
the electis,
Kirk graith.

The said day, James Tuedy, in name and behalf of the maist of the counsale and communitie, tuk instrument that my lord provest dissobeyit our Souerane Lord and his graces Regent and lordis of secreit counsale letteres and charge, becaus his lordschip votit and electit with Johne Horsbruk and William Dikesone to be baillies, beand culpable of ane part of the commoun gudis and kirk graith. And my lord Yester provest oblist him to ansuer to the king his graces regent and lordis of secreit counsale for the saidis Johne Horsbruk and William Dikesoun and vtheris quha he gaif in teat to be electis and baillies, and to mak compt rakynning and payment for thair intromission, outhir with commoun gudis or kirk graith, safar as thai intromettit with.

The quhilk day, Andro Alexander messenger producit thir names vnder writtin in jugement be vertu of our Souerane lord his graces Regent and lordis of secreit counsale charge and letteres, viz., Johne Horsbruk, James Tuedy, Johne Wychtman, Rolland Scot, Johne Dikesone redare, William Dikesone, Patrik Dikesone, and Johne Dikesone of Melvingland, as intromettouris ressauaris and desponaris of ane part of the common gudis and kirk graith, and that afore the electing and chesing of the baillies, protestand solemnitir gif my lord votit or electit ony of the saidis persones in office by the effect and tennour of the saidis letteres for dissobeydiance thair of that he mycht haif place to indorse apone the said dissobedience as efferit to his office to the quhilk he wes sworne.

Commoun
gudis and kirk
graith.

25 October 1570.

The hail inqueist ordanis all meill to be presentit to the mercat croce, and nane remane in houssis, and that nane be sauld quhill tua efter novne, nor nane be sauld efter sax houris, vnder the pane of deling of the samin, and that ilk meill sell to the poor of ilk laid ij pekkis meill, and that it be als gud in the ers of the seke as in the mouth vnder the pane foirsaid.

Meill mercat.

15 November 1570.

Johne Horsbruk, ane of the baillies of Peblis, tuk instrument that

Trubling the
court. Robert Dikesone of Ormistoun trublit the court sayand that gif he gat Alexander Williamsonsone gangand endland Tuedesyde he suld fetter him as ane theif.

Counsale. The counsale sworne and chosing for this present yere: Mertyn Hay [and fourteen others.]

18 November 1570.

Baillies,
custummis. The baillies tuk instrument that thai requirit the honest men of the tovne to releif thame of the xvj li. that thai war awand to the chakkare for the custummis bygane, for the quhilk thai war chargit to pay or elis to be put to the horne for the samin.

Sir Robert
Hoip. The counsale and communitie ordanis the baillies to tak of the reddycst of Sir Robert Hoip monei to pay the xvj lib. monei to the chakkare for the custummis bygane to releif the baillies fra the horne, and mak Sir Robert Hoip securite for the annuell thairof, safare as thai tak, and gif him saising thairof, viz., of Johne Scot and Johne Bullo, and to roip the hillis of Caidmuir betuix this and Witsunday to pay the releif of the said sovme of xvj lib. monei.

6 December 1570.

Watch, portis,
dykis. [Of this date "the inqueist ordanis viij men to walk nychtlie;" all the ports "to be sufficientlie stekit;" and "the heid dykis to be sychtit and biggit round about the tovne, alsweill clois futtis as vtheris."]

Stepill. Siclike, ordanis the stepill and knok to be ordourlie and sufficientlie kepit, vsit and wont, and to regne xij houris, vj houris, and courfyre nychtlie, and to pay Andro Frank his fe thairfore byganes as tocum, ay and quhill he be discharged.

20 December 1570.

Fute ball. The baillies counsale and communitie ordanis that thair be na playing at the fute ball on the Hie Gait in tymes cuning, vnder the pane of ilk persone fyndand playand viij s. and cutting of the ball.

15 *January* 1570.

The hail inquest ordanis the baillies to pas through the tovne and vesy euerilk induellare within the burgh of Peblis and se quhat bestiall thai haif to leif vpone or ony vtheris gudis or geir; and to pvnis all pykaris of caill, erbis, cornes, fewale, hennys, caponis, geis, or ony vtheris gudis and geir, and quha thai fynd culpabill thairintill to punys thame conforme to the auld actis and banys thame the tovne conforme to the auld actis maid in vmquhile Robert Hoppingill and Andro Wychtman, baillies, tymes.

And sielike that thair be na scheip fund pasturand within the burro ruddis in yardis or cornes in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of eschaeting of the samin.

And sielike ordanis quhatsumeuery personis, wemen, mennis wiffis, or vtheris persones quhatsumeuery, that is found flytand on the Hie Gait in tymes cuming to be put sax houris in the linkis without fauouris.

And the heid dykis to be biggit round about within viij dayis efter the lowyssing of the storme.

10 *February* 1570.

The maist part of the communitie of the burgh of Peblis is contentit with maister Thomas Cranstoun writting tuiching his desyre to schaw the Word of God trewlie, and to send ane commissioun to him with the lard of Henderstoun and ane of the baillies.

The baillies and communitie ordanis fourty persones, honest men, to furnys xl s., euerilk persone to pay xij d., for to speik the Regent grace to haif fauouris to byde at hame fra the proclamatioun newlie ordanit for to be in Glasgw the xiiij day of this instant, and fynd remedy thairfore, and to wit beneolent pay the samin.

16 *February* 1570.

The baillies counsale and communitie hes ordanit Patrik Newtoun, ane of the baillies of Peblis, accompanit with Johne Wychtman, Gilbert Tuedy, Thomas Hesilhope mereheand, William Dikesone, Andro Alexander, ryde to the oist to Glasgw, conforme to the proclamatioun, and to see gif they can haif ane addres of my lord Regent grace or noeht, and thairefter to aduertis

Oist at Glas-
gow.

with ane cursour quhiddel thai get ane addressement or nocht, and the said aduertisement beand maid to the haill towne, to take the nixt best, and gif it be found that thai get ane sufficient addres the rest of the towne to beir the said baillie and the saidis sax nychtbouris with him expensis.

14 March 1570.

Schoolmaster.

The baillie and maist part of the communitie beand present for the tyme, hes ordanit Maister Andro Cranstoun, be the admission of the kirk, for instruction of the youth to tak the barneis of the towne to instruct thame, and appoyntis the tolbuthe to him to teche the barneis in quhill Beltane nixtocum, and quaha plesis to put thair barneis till him for thair instruction. The said day David Creichtoun grantit himself, of his awne confessioun, lauchfullie warnit fra the scoill, and that he suld remoif thairfra at Beltane nixtocum.

25 April 1571.

The Vanelaw
waist.

The haill inqueist ordanis the Vanelaw to be proclamit waist seute and hanyng quhill Witsunday nixtocum that the baillies tak ordour thairintill, vnder the pane of paying of viij s. for ilk sowme apprehendit thairupone the first falt, the secund xvj s., the thrid falt xxiiij s., and the vnlawis thair of to be applyit to the brig werk ; and ordanis the baillies and Thomas Lawder to vesy the said brig werk and to consider quhat is necessar thairfore, and the samin to be modifit vniuersalie among the inhabitantis to be payit gif the said vnlawis will nocht satisfy the samin.

Wache.
Beltane.

The said inqueist ordanis the half of the towne to walk nychtlie quhill Beltane ewin, and the haill toun to walk on Beltane ewin, Beltane day at ewin, and the morne efter Beltane day quhill thai se quhat stay may cum in the cuntre for resisting of thevis.

Out wache.

And as touching the out wachis, ordanis thame that hes nocht payit to pay that thing sa far as is restand, and thairafter to mak ane new taxt to mak forthir waching quhill forthir ordour be taken.

Brigwerk.
Pulder.

Item, the said inqueist ordanis viij personis of them that is ellis brokin anentis the payment of the pulder and breik thame that brak the laif efter Beltane, and in the mein tyme to gif to the gunneris ane quarter of pulder, and xx lib. to be broking to the brig werk and pulder.

Item, anentis the payment of the scoilmaister, ordanis the provest and baillies to set the hillis or ony vther wayis to the hieast awaill to mak him payment thairof for thair awne releif of the charge of the kingis letteres direct to thame thairupone. Scoilmaister.

Item, ordanis the actis done of before be the tuelf men for the situatioun of the wall about the tovne to be obseruit and kept, of the dait the xvij day of Aprill anno 1570 and xxx day of Junii anno predicto. Town wall.

Item, the inqueist is content that Maister Thomas Cranstoun, minister, be payit of the thrid of the personage and vicarage of Mennare and Peblis as efferis to the quantite and availl thairof. Minister.

Item, the inqueist ordanit the appoyntement of the buttis bigging to be kept be the contractaris and appoyntearis thairof. Buttis.

24 May 1571.

The quhilk day, comperit Johne Dikesone of Melvingland and desyrit the baillies and counsale to call in particularie be thair precept the intromettouris with the kirk geir and commoun geir to thair awne particulare vse, quhilk suld be restorit and geving agane bakwark to the commoun vse of the tovne, and to be chargit vpoun four dayis warnyng, conforme to the vse of burgh, quhairthrough that taxationes nor stentis apone the poore. Kirk geir.

The baillies and counsale ordanis the officiaris to pas through the tovne on Witsonday ewin and desyre honest men sum to leid ane laid of lyne to the brig werk and sum sand and sum stanis, and thai that wil nocht send thair hors that we may knaw thair gud will thairto. The brig werk.

The baillies tuk instrument that thai with awise of the communitie dischargit thame of ony intromissioum with my lord Newbotle hoggis quhilkis wes red fra the thevis, and makkis thame fre to my lord Newbotle seruandis, William Ackin and William Allane, and thairupone the baillies askit instrumentis. This wes done in the Tolbuth of Peblis at ix houris forrow novne or thairby, before thir witnes: Denys Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, James Tuedy burges in Peblis, and Sir Johne Allane notare publict. Lord Newbotles hogs.

The said day, in presens of the notare publict and witnes vnder writting, William Allane, officiare foirsaid, in name and behalf of my lord Newbotle, desyrit Gilbert Hay to deliuer to him in name and behalf of the said lord

Lord New-
botles hogs.

Newbotle, quha ansuerit and said he had na introumissioun with the saidis hoggis bot causit the childrene quha wes reddaris thair of fra the thevis to hald thame and keip thame togidder to my lord vtilite and proffit quhill the said childrene wer satisfit for the redding of the same, and thairupone William Allane, officiare foirsaid, askit instrument. This wes done at the said Gilbert Hay duelling place, at ten houris forro novne or thairby, before thir witnes : Arthur Jak, seruand to the chalmerlane of Glasgw, William Tempill, Robert Rust, with vtheris diuers.

19 June 1571.

Disobeying
baillies.

The inqueist findis Johne Bell dissobedient to the baillie that wald nocht obey the said baillies charge quhen he molestit and trublit the tovne, and thairfore ordanis the said Johne Bell to compeir at the mercat croce and ask Patrik Newtoun baillie forgifnes, and to find cautioun to obey officiaris in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of banissing the tovne and his body to be pvnist conforme to the lawis of the realme.

And ordanis gif ony fremen within the libertie of burgh dissobeyis the baillies or ony vtheris officiaris to forfalt thair liberte and fredome, and vn-fremen or seruandis dissobeyand to be banisst the tovne for euir, and this act of ordinance to be vsit in all tymes cuming.

Patersone,
chep.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies and counsals to vesy and sycht quhair Johne Patersone desyris the chep to be biggit and lat him haif it be ane sufficient rowme, nocht lurtand the hie passage and kingis streit, conforme to the vse of the tovne and ordour of burro lawis.

27 July 1571.

Brig werk.

The baillies ordanis the officiaris to warne the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis to pay thair day werkkis awand be thame vnpaid to the brig werk, vnder the pane of poynding of thair guddis vsit and wout, and faillyene thair of committis Stene Robesone vphaldare of the said brig werk to poynd thairfore als weill in tymes cuming as for the byganis.

The wauche.

The baillies and communitie ordanis the quarter of the tovne to walk nychtlie, and to elect ane maist honest man of the said quarter quartermaister, and to obey the officiaris as thair salbe commandit vnder the pane of ane vnlaw als oft as thair faillye.

12 *September* 1571.

The baillies and counsals ordanis Dauid Creichtoun, scoilmaister, to be anserit of x lib. of the xlvi li. ij s. viij d. taxt quhilk wes collectit and gaderit for the men of weir to gang to Leith, and that of the superplus of the said sovme, and the rest thair of to be deliuerit to the officiaris and Andro Frank.

Scoilmaster,
officiaris,
Frank.

1 *October* 1571.

The quhilk day, Andro Alexander producit in jugement, afore the electing and chesing of the provest and baillies of the burgh of Peblis, our Souerane Lordis letteres charging William lord Hay of Yester provest, Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Newtown, baillies of the said burgh, makkaud mentioun: Forsamekle as vmquhile our derrest cousing, James erle of Murray lord Abirnethy regent to ws our realme and liegis, quha restis with God, wrait to the provest and baillies of Peblis, nocht onlie in the yere of God j^m v^e lxxvij yeris but also before the feist of Michaelmes in the yeir of God lxxix yeris, anent the chesing of their baillies and commoun officiaris of the maist honest worthy and sufficient men within thair toune that war nocht of factions nor hes nor had melling and introumissioun with thair commoun gude and kirk graith to thair privat vses, to the effect that the samin mycht haif bene employit to the bigging of ane wall about our said burgh to resist the invasioun of thevis, quhairvnto our said vmquhile cousing wes willing to hald hand that the samin mycht be permitit; nochtwithstanding our derrest gudschir Matho erle of Levinax lord Dornie, our lauchfull tutour and now regent to ws our realme and liegis, vnderstandis that thair is na thing done be the saidis provest and baillies to sa gud ane actioun tending samekle to the commoun weill of our said burgh and eais of our Prince liegis within the samin, bot the saidis commoun gude and kirk graith introumettit witht and desponit be sun particular persones mair regardand thair awne privat proffitt and commodite nor the publick weill of the samin burgh; for remeid quhair of our will is and we charge yow straitlie and commandis that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye pas and in our name and autorite command and charge the saidis provest and baillies of our said burgh of Peblis now present to tak compt and rakkyning of the persones introumettouris quhatsumeuer with the said commoun gude and

My lord
regents charge
to the provest
and baillies.

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to the provest
and baillies.

kirk graith, and thairefter caus ilk ane of thame for thair awne part to rander restore and deliuer the samin agane, so far as thai haif intronettit with, to the saidis provest and baillies or to the collectour that thai sall appoynt for the resset thairof, to the effect that with the advise of the counsale and communitie of our said burgh the samin may be applyit to the commoun weill thairof in bigging of ane wall thairabout, within sax dayis nixt efter the saidis provest and baillies be chargit be yow thairto, vnder the pane of rebellious and putting of thame to our horne, or ellis that thai vpone the samin sax day compeir personalie afor our said derrast gud sire and regent and lordis of our secreit counsale at Edinburgh or quhair it sal happin thame to be for the tyme and sehaw ane ressonabill caus quhy the same suld nocht be done, with certificatioun to thame and thai failye, our vtheris letteres salbe direct simpliciter to put thame to our horne and all thair moveable gudis escheit and inbrocht till our vse for thair contemptioun, according to justice, as ye will ansuer to ws thairupone; the quhilk do we commit to yow coniuuetlie and seueralie our hail power be thir our letteres, deliuering thame be yow dewlie execut and indorsat agane to the berare. Geving vnder our signet, and subscriuit be our said derrast gudschir and regent, at Edinburgh the xj day of Septenber and of our regne the ferl yere. Efter productioun of the quhilk charge and charge geving, the said Andro Alexander askit instrument that the saidis provest and baillies of the said burgh obeyit the saidis letteres and contentis thairof in all tymes cuming, and tak compt rakkyning as said is, and apply the samin to the walling of our said burgh, vnder the pane foirsaid.

Baillies.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis; William Dikesone, Robert Scot, James Wilson, Alexander Gowane, Siene Robesone, Thomas Hesilhop.

The said day James Wilson and William Dikesone, be commoun vot of the provest baillies and communitie of the said burgh, is chosing baillies for ane yere, and maid thair aithis as vse is for administratioun of justice, baith to poore and riche, and ressaut the wand thairof in signe and takin of the samin.

5 December 1571.

Town wall.

The hail inqueist ordanis the interprisaris of the wall to fall to the werk the morne, and lift the dykis quhatsumeuer appoyntit, and lay to the

werk and compleit the samin as the rest is, safare as the stanis will serf; Town wall.
and that na man molest truble nor cummer thame thair seruandis in
lifting of the saidis stanis and dikis as said is, vnder the pane of viij s.
vnforgeving.

Sielike, ordanis that ane of the baillies, accompanit with four or five Meill.
honest men, pas through the mercat wolkie and inhibit that na man,
regratand the mercat, by ony meill bot samekle as will sustene the byaris
for viij dayis alanerlie, and that na meill be sauld afore tua efter novne nor
efter sax, and that all meill be presentit to the mercat met and sauld
thairintill and in nane vther place, and that the meill be als gud in the sek
ers as in the mouth thairof, providing alwayis gif ony meill in tymes
cuming be apprehendit in houssis furth of the mercat the samin sall pay to
the officiar apprehendare thairof ane firlot of meill and the rest of the sek
to be delt to the poore folk, and that na nychtbour within the toвне by
meill to ony landwart man that is ane cowpare of meill vnder the pane of
viij s. vnforgeving.

The inqueist ordanis the dissobeyaris and contempnaris of the kirk to The kirk.
be pynit be the baillies as accordis, efter the vse and consuetude of vther
reformit townis.

19 December 1571.

The baillies tuk apone hand to preif the contentis of our Souerane
Lordis letteres product be David Creichtoun tuiching his stipend contenand
the sovine of xx li. payit, viz., x lib. thairof be the baillies and ten
pundis be Stene Robesone, and that at my lord incuming in the cuntre,
and als to preif that he wes lauchfullie dischargit fra the instructioun of
the scleris and scoill in Januare in anno Domini j^m v^e and thre score nyne
yeris, and thairupone the baillies askit instrument.

Baillies,
Creichtoun,
scoillmaister.

To the quhilk ansuert David Creichtoun that he wes nocht lauchfullie
waruit be the said Mertyn Hay as baillie to remouif of his office as is allegit,
becaus the said Mertyn being half member of court for the tyme and
havand Stene Robesone his college and William lord of Yester as provest and
superiour onto thame, on tha wayis the said Mertyn culd [nocht] mak intima-
tioun of warnyng to the said David without consent of the said provest and
college forsaid counsale and communitie of the said burgh, and als gevand

Baillies.
Crichtoun,
scotmaister.

and nocht grantand ony warnyng wes maid the said Dauid act of admisioun and continewance thairof in his office is of ane latter dait, and thair-
efter being lauchfullie warnit xl dayis precedand the thrid day of Maii
anno 1571, and desyrit interloquoutour thairupone.

Spulye.

The said day the interloquoutour findis that the baillies may sit apone
spulye and wrang committit amanguis nyctbouris within thair selffis as
weill as the scheref principale may within the schyre.

14 *January* 1571.

Johne Kirk-
wood.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to put Johne Kirkwod of the toвне,
and gif he dissobeyis to set ane birnyng irne on his cheik and banis him
the toвне for ever.

Custum to be
ropt.

The inqueist ordanis the custum to be ropt be opping proclamatioun on
Tuesday the mercat.

1 *February* 1571.

Power of in-
queist to roup
the custum.

The quhilk day, comperit Johne Dikesone, takkisman of the burraige
custum of Peblis set to him be the baillies counsale and maist part of the
communitie for the tyme, quhilk tak as yit is nocht exirit, and als allegit
that the inqueist quha gaf command to roip and proclame the same hes na
jurisdiction nor power thairof, bot alanerlie all inqueistis to pas apone
seruing of brevis gif ony war, and as tuiching customis milnis and hillis
and all commoun effaris auch to be ropt and set be avise of the provest
baillies and counsale conforme to the ordour of this toвне to the space of
xl yeris bygane or thairby, and to verify the said allegeance he producit my
lord provest hand writt that he never consentit, and siclike that na counsale
is chosing quhairthrough na power thair is to sechule nor put him thairfra
as is allegit.

The said day Johne Dikesone producit his tak of the said custum red in
jugement, in the quhilk tak thair wes certane dayis thairof to ryn, viz.,
four dayis and that he aucht to be warnit be provest baillies and counsale
and ordour of thame be quham he had the said tak of before or he
removit.

Making of
freemen.

The said day, Johne Dikesone comperit, ane of the counsale for the
tyme, and allegit thair is ane act maid be the provest baillies and counsale

that na freman suld be maid in na tymes cuming vnto the tyme thai maid residence within the tovne yere and day, qubairthrouch thair qualities and conditionis mycht be knowing, and siclike nocht to be admittit afore composition be maid be the provest baillies and counsale for the tyme, and gif the baillies will breck the samin that it suld nocht pervert the ordour in this tyme, and desyris the names of the interloquontour gif thai pervert the said ordour.

Making of freemen.

6 February 1571.

The burro court of Peblis, balding in the tolbutth of that ilk, be James Wilson and William Dikesone baillies, set for commoun effaris, and specialie for the setting of the custum, the vj day of Februare anno 1571, the suttis callit, the court affirmit, the absentis in ane amerciament; Johne Mathosone, dempstare; Adam Gilleis, Patrik Williamsone, officiaris; etc.

Assisa:—Thomas Hesilhope merchand, Patrik Newtoun, Johne Horsbruk merchand, the lard of Henderstoun, Patrik Vache, Johne Mosman, Alexander Gowane, Stene Robesone, William Lowys, Andro Frank, James Robesone, Patrik Lowys, George Horsbruk.

Johne Dikesone, takkisman of the custum, baillies counsale and communte of the burgh of Peblis hes chosing this inqueist abone writting as newtrale and vnsuspect persones be baith partiis to tak ordour anentis the roping and setting of the custum for the commoun weill to maist hieast availl, and thairupone the baillies requirit instrument.

The custom roping.

The haill inqueist all in ane voce, except Andro Frank, fyndis it necessary that the custum be ropit to the maist availl for the commoun weill, conforme to the actis maid thairupone of before, and thai that will gif maist thairfore to be hard and thair tak to begyn on Candilmes ewin, viz, the first day of Februare.

The haill inqueist ordanis the baillies to syecht thair evidentis infettementis and rentalis of the small benefices within the burgh of Peblis, and beand awisit thairwith to gif maister Thomas Cranstoun minister and maister Andro Cranstoun his sone ane resolut ansuer of thair billis tuiching thair stipendis.

Minister and scoilmaister.

The baillies counsale and communte of the burgh of Peblis, beand convenit counsalie togidder for to rope thair custum to the availl and maist

The setting of the custum.

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the custum.

hieast price for the commoun weill, hes all in ane voce set the said custum to Mertyn Hay, burges of Peblis, for ane yere, enterand thairto at the first day of Februare, and to brook and jois the same peceabillie and lift all and sindry small custumis and profittis pertenant thairto, and sall pay thairfore fourty five merkis gude and vsuale money of Scotland . . . to the baillies of Peblis to pay the chakkare with; and als the said Mertyn sall vphald the metlumis, viz., firloittis, pekkis and wey balkis sufficientlie and deliuer thame sufficient at the ische of the said yere tak.

Cranstoun.

Maister Andro Cranstoun tuk instrument in cace he get nocht ane resolute ansuer betuix this and the nixt court he dischargit him of the seruis of the scoill.

1 *March* 1571.

Acknowledg-
ment of the
King as
soverign.

The quhilk day, the baillie convenit the hail inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, and publiet and red oppinglie in judgement our Souerane Lord his Regent graces and lordis of secreit counsale, akknowlegeing the King as our Souerane onlie, his regent lieutenant and dewtifull subiectis, conforme to the contentis of his graces act, of the quhilk the tennour followis: Apud Leyth penultimo Februarii anno Domini j^mv^{lxxj}º. The quhilk day, in presens of my lord regent grace and lordis of secreit counsale, comperit Johne Dikesone of Winkestoun, William Dikesone his brother, baillie of the toum of Peblis, Adam Bell, Johne Wod and Thomas Hesillhope burgesis thairof, for thame selffis and in name and behalf of the remanent inhabitantis of the samin, for quham thai ar presentlie content and takis in hand to ansuer for, vpon the obseruatioun of the conditionis following, that is to say that thai euery ane of thame sall acknowlege as thai do presentlie the kingis Maiestic for thair onlie Souerane, that thai sall serue and obey his hienes his regent and autorite as becummis dewtifull subjectis, and siclike that thai sall nocht resset supple nor intercommoun with Thomas Ker sumtyme of Pharnyhirst knycht, Thomas Ker sumtyme of Caveris, James Ormistoun sumtyme of that ilk, maister Johne Moscrope aduocat, or ony vtheris declarit tratouris and notorious rebellis aganis our said Souerane Lord and his autorite, bot sall ryis assist and serue his hienes or lieutenantis havand his Maiesties autorite in the furthsetting thairof aganis al withstandaris of the same. The quhilk to do

the persones abone writting comperand, takand the burding vpone thame for thame selffis and vtheris that thai haif promysit for as said is, hes faythfullie bund oblist and sworne thame selffis ay thai will ansuer to God, and vnder the pane of periurie defamatioun and tinsall of perpetuale estimatioun and credit, and in eace thai do in the contrare to be complit faithles manesworne and defamit for euer and sall never haif place to stand in iugement or to beir office and witnes, bot to be haldand as tratouris and infidelis perpetuale. Attour my lord regentis grace and counsale ordanis and commandis the forsaidis persones comperand as said is to communicat thir conditiones to the remanent inhabitantis of the said burgh of Peblis, and to tak the like aith of thame for obseruatioun of the samin, and in eace ony mak refus that it be reportit agane to his grace and counsale that ordour may be takin with thame as appertenis. Extractum de libro actorum secreti consilii supremi D. N. Regis per me Alexandrum Hay deputatum clerici eiusdem, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. Sic subscribitur: Alexander Hay. Of the productioun publissing and reding of the samin the baillies desyrit the samin inhabitantis of the said burgh to obtemper and obey the said writting, conforme to the contentis thair of, quha all in ane voce maid thair aithis to fulfill the samin as said is, and in signe and taking of thair said obedience and acknawleging of our Souerane his graces regent and autorite as dewtifull subiectis, the saidis baillies and inhabitantis hes subseriuit the samin in maner following day yere and place foirsaidis. Sic subscribitur.

Acknowledgment of the King as sovereign.

12 March 1571.

The inqueist ordanis the prebendaris to produce thair giftis of thair prebendis betuix this and the nixt court. Prebendaris.

Item, ordanis the baillies to write to my lord for the key of the commoun kist quhilk he hes in keping, and haif his ansuer thairupone, that the commoun buikis and vtheris evidentis may be syehtit. Commoun kist.

Item, ordanis the baillies to pvnis all regratouris conforme to the auld actis maid thairupone of before, vtherways thai will nocht cum apone inqueist or assise. Regratouris.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to elect ane counsale to decerne apone all actiones concerning commoun effaris, and thairefter Adam Dik to mak Counsale.

- Counsale. his bill and gif into the provest and counsale anentis that part of land that he desyris in fewferme in Sanct Michaelle wynde.
- The kirk. Item, the inqueist ordanis the baillies to assist the ordinances of the kirk and actis of parliament anentis the pvnishment of excommunicat persones.
- Scoilmaister. Item, ordanis David Creichtoun, scoilmaister for the tyme, to be payit his fiail safar as he maid seruis vndischargit, compt and rakkynning beand first maid of his ressaüt.
- Pulder and leid. Item, ordanis Andro Frank to mak compt and rakkynning of the pulder and leid that he ressaüt and thairefter to tak ordour thairwith.
- Minister. The inqueist ordanis the minister, Mr Thomas Cranstoun, to vse his assignatioun maid to him be the collectour anentis his stipend.

31 March 1572.

- Watch, quarter-masters. The baillies, with avise of ane certane honest men, convenit for the common welth of the tovne, statutis and ordanis that the hail half tovne walk nychtle, begynnand at nyne houris at evin, and remane quhill v houris on the morne, to that effect the swische sall strike at thair entres and at thair departing, having thir viij men to be quarter maisteris, viz., Alexander Gowane, Patrik Dikesone, James Gowane younger, James Hoppringill; for the vther quarter, Mertyn Hay, Jolne Wychtuan, William Bell, George Horsbruk; for the vther quarter, Patrik Vache, Thomas Hesillope, James Tuedy, Jolne Scot; and for the last quarter, Hectour Cranstoun, Thomas Tuedy, Jolne Horsbruk, Adam Dikesone; quha sall tak attendance to the said wauchis cuirilk nycht, baith out and in, that thai do thair diligence as thai will ansuer first to God, the King and commoun welth of the tovne. Provyding that quhen ane fray occurris and warnyng maid be the wauche euery man without exceptioun of persones salbe redly apone the Hie Gait with his armour ather at the stryking of the swysche or ringing of the commoun bell incontinent, vnder the pane of ten li. the first falt, the secound falt xx li., the thrid falt ; and for obseruing of this ordour in tymes cuming the swische to strike at the Eist Port and the bell to ring at the West Port, and the panis to be vplifit be the baillies incontinent efter the falt, and in cace thai failye the
- Frayis.

baillies to pay the pane of the falt of thair awne gudis; provyding alwayis that the out wauchis salbe ordourit be appoyntement of the quarter maisteris and gif thai be found negligent to be pvnist at the baillies sycht.

Frayis.

Sielike, it is statute and ordanit that the hail inhabitantis of the said [toun] every ane to big thair awne heid-rovme betuix the Tolbuth to Peblis brig and sua about the south syde of the tovne to the Eist Werk, the hail communitie to help to big it with dry stanis sasone and safare as is within thame selfis, and quhair superabundance of stanis is to help vtheris thair-with that mistaris, and this to be done within viij nychtis, and quha failyeis heirintill to pay xl s. of pane, provyding alwayis that all the inhabitantis betuix the Tolbuith and the Eist Port transport the dykis within the wall to the work to be layit in dyke and wall that the interprisaris of the work may big the samin and clois the port as efferis.

The dikis.

And sielike ordanis Johne Wychtman, accompanit with thre vtheris nychtbouris as the baillies and honest men sall think expedient, with the tovne commissioun, to pas to Leith and to gif in ane bill to my lord regent grace and counsale to lament our heirschippis as salbe geving in writting to thame.

Heirschippis of the toun.

7 April 1572.

The baillies and communitie ordanis to send tua honest men with thair commissioun to the regent grace and lordis of counsale to lament thair heirschippis and reiffis, and sielike to tak ordour quhow the pulder salbe payit and dispoit. Ordanis the slatis of all the portis and Briggait wicket to be bandit with irne, and ordanis the Briggait port to be biggit vp and condampnit. Sielik, ordanis to provide Adam Hog to keip the gunnis in the Eist Port. James Kid to vse the swische. Item, to caus mak the crukkis to the port in the new wall. Sielik ordanis to sycht the landis of Caidmuir newlie rewin furth on Hundelishope syde and thairefter to despone as thai think expedient.

Commoun effairs.

18 April 1572.

The baillies and honest men of the tovne beand present for the tyme ordanis to elect iiij or viij young men to poynd for the absence and dis-

Defence of the toun.

Defence of the
town. sobedience of the wanche as quarter maisteris havand power thairof without partialite to poynd viij s. vnforgeving, the ane half thairof to drink, the vther to the commoun welth to be applyit. Ordanis to tak ordour with Johne Ra in the stepill. Ordanis to put ane gunner to the Eist Werk to furnis pulder to the gunnis.

Scoilmaister. The electing of the scoilmaister to the counsale.

Defence of the
town. And the quarter maister is to caus compell poynd and destrenye all thame quha ar nocht bent for the defence of the tovne, baith in body and gudis, wappynis fortalices and dykis; and to caus Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lawder set fordwart the walling of the tovne with expeditioun, and that all the inhabitantis within the burgh do as thai ar oblist to bring in thair carcehis of lyme restand bygane and to cum for furthsetting of the samin. Item, to caus the Briggat Port to be biggit vp and condampit. . . . And caus the interprisaris of the werk to be ansnerit thairof conforme to the indentis maid thairupone.

Lord provest. Siclike, ordanis the baillies and communitie to write to my lord provest of all effairis concernyng commoun welth, conforme to the actis maid of before be the ordinances and deliuerances of diuers inqueistis and haill communitie, to cum and assist ws as our superiour and ourisman incontinent, with certificatioun and his lordschip cum nocht thai will do the nixt best for the commoun welth of the tovne and discharge him of ony office in tymes cuming, and to cheis ane counsale on Weddynisday nixt to cum without ony continewatioun.

Carying
victuals to
Dumfries. The names of the travellaris that is admittit be the provest and baillies to cary victuals to Drumfries as faithfull trew men: Johne Glendunnyug, Symon Glendunning, Johne Wilsone, Thomas Mvirman; Johne Moffet, James Moffet, sones of the hous of Grantoun; William Moffet, Thomas Moffet.

30 April 1572.

Venlaw.
Town wall. The inqueist ordanis the Venlaw to be let in gerssowmes to the maist avail for this present yere, becaus thai applyit thair haill commoun gudis to the walling of the tovne, and to hald all bestiall thairof and keip the samin for all gudis quhill it be sett in sowmes vnder the pane of viij s.

The inqueist ordanis that na wautsche pas to ony part fra the setting thairof to the scaling of the samin bot as the quarter maisteris commandis, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving; and that nane pas to drink in tyme of watsching, vnder the pane forsaid, and the oistlare that sellis to ony of the wautsche ony drink sall pay viij s. of vulaw vnforgeving.

Wautsche.

And that na crelis be vsit in the milnis the tyme of smoltis, vnder the pane of viij s. vulaw and cutting of the creill set.

Smoltis.

Ordanis to discharge ony meill to be said in Innerlethane in tymes cuming, except it be to frenen, by the mercat day of the burgh of Peblis, vnder the pane of eschaeting of the samin.

Innerlethane.
Meill.

10 May 1572.

William Kello, burges of Peblis, is becunmit causcioun and souerte to deliuer the pavaleoun of the burgh of Peblis, and all necessariis pertenant thairto, within the said burgh agane in the commoun hous thairof, quhilk my lord provest borrowit to the perambuling of his landis of Gladmur, Vpstoun and Crabrovne, within xv dayis nixt thairefter, vnder the pane of fourty pundis; and the said provest banding for the said William Kello releif, before thir witnes: William Lawder and Sir Johne Allane notare publict.

Pailyeonn.

19 May 1572.

Andro Frank, factour and prebendare of Sanct Laurence altar situate within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis, dimittit the samin simpliciter in the provest baillies counsale and communitie handis of the burgh of Peblis as vndouttit patrones thairof, in faouris of maister Andro Cranstoun, quha ressauit the said maister Andro thairto to lift vp the fruttis and annuell rentis of the samin salang as the said maister Andro maid residence for instructioun of the youth.

Cranstoun,
schoolmaster.

The vesying of the wappynnis: Johne Wychtman, younger, armit; Johne Edmond, ane speir, 1 sweird; James Cokkare, 1 lance, stauf; Johne Law-sone, 1 schort speir; Dennys Bell; Johne Schankis, 1 speir, bonet, stauf; Andro Ewmond, 1 speir, bonet, stauf; Johne Geddes, 1 speir, bonet, stauf, swerd; Johne Stirling, 1 speir, 1 stauf; Peter Scheill, 1 speir, 1 stauf; Arthure Ecfurd, ane stauf, swerd; William Ewmond, 1 speir; Thomas

Vesying of the
wappynnis.

Voying of the
wappynnis.

Ewmond, 1 sweird ; Johne Wiltoun, 1 bow, bag, speir ; James Thorbrand, ii speris, ii stauffis, bonet, swerd ; William Kelle, 1 speir, stauf, bonet, swerd ; Johne Wyle, 1 speir, swerd ; Gilbert Andersone, 1 brokin speir, stauf ; Johne Wilson, 1 speir, stauf ; Thomas, 1 speir, tua stauffis, 1 bonet, ij swordis ; Thomas Portus, ii stauffis, bonet, sword.

Pebelis tovne : Johne Wilson 1 stauf, sword ; Johne Smyth, 1 speir, 1 sword ; Andro Ra ; Patrik Gowane, speir, sword, bonet ; Eduard Johnson ; Johne Portus elder, sword ; William Johnson, 1 stauf ; Johne Portus, 1 speir ; Dutho Edmond ; Johne Watson younger, 1 stauf ; Patrik Dikesone, armit ; Robert Lidderdail, 1 stauf ; James Gowane, 1 speir ; William Pebelis, armit ; Thomas Marchell, armit ; Eduard Heundersone, speir, sword ; Thomas Lawder, armit ; Robert Scot, speir, lance ; Ninane Portus, tua stauffis ; James Gowane, armit ; Johne Bullo, ii speris, ii stauffis, sword ; Johne Stensone, speir ; James Hoppringill, armit ; Johne Kirwod, 1 speir, sword, bonet ; Johne Mosman, armit ; Johne Smeith, 1 speir ; Johne Stensone, stauf, bonet ; Adam Bell, armit ; Mertyn Hay, armit ; Johne Wychtman, armit ; James Naper ; Patrik Lowyis, armit ; Thomas Johnstoun, armit ; William Bell, armit ; George Horsbruk, armit ; Robert Andersone, i speir ; Johne Lythquo, speir, stauf, bonet ; William Lillay ; Adam Cauerhill, 1 speir ; William Tempill ; Johne Cheisholme, 1 speir, bo, sword ; Matho Bell, 1 speir, bonet ; James Portus, Robert Grahame, Robert Ros ; Robert Foster, 1 speir, bonet, swerd ; James Tueddail, 1 speir, bonet, swerd ; Johne Dunlop, 1 stauf ; Thomas Hesilhope, ii speris, stauf, bonet, sword ; James Threipland, 1 spere ; James Wilson, armit ; Johne Wod, armit ; William Wilson, 1 speir, ii stauffis, bonet, sword ; Johne Brady, stauf, bonet, sword ; William Cheisholme, speir, stauf, bonet, sword ; Thomas Tueddail, ii stauffis, bonet ; Thomas Bennet ; Robert Thomsone, stauf, sword ; Johne Makke, 1 speir, stauff, bonet ; Gilbert Cheisholme, speir, sword, bonet ; Andro Cheisholme, speir, stauff, sword, bow ; Willie Lowys, armit ; Patrik Vache, armit ; Thomas Hesilhope, armit ; Thomas Craufurd ; James Portus, stauf, bonet, sword ; Johne Robesone, armit ; William Dikesone, armit ; Andro Alexander, 1 gowne ; James Atzin ; Thomas Tueiddail, 1 speir, bonet ; Johne Stensone, 1 speir, hakbut, bonet, sword ; Johne Bard, 1 speir, sword ; Gilbert Smyth, 1 bonet, sword ; Thomas Dikesone ; Arehe Patersone, 1 speir, stauf, sword ; Thomas Lowys, 1 stauf, sword ; Andro Wychtman, armit ; James Tuedy, armit ; Gilbert Tuedy, armit ;

Andro Softlaw, 1 speir, sword; Gilbert Glaschen, 1 speir, sword; James Cauerhill, 1 speir; Thomas Cauerhill; Eduard Pount; Eduard Gowane, stauf; Thomas Craufurd, speir; James Dikesone, speir, bonet, sword; Johne Lawsons; Andro Bennet; Eduard Robesone, armit; Sir Johne Allane, armit; Mertyn Wilson, armit; James Lowys; Johne Horsbruk, armit; Johne Horsbruk, speir, bonet, sword; Thomas Smeith, speir, bonet, sword; Patrik Newtoun, armit; Johne Scot; the lard of Winkestoun elder; the lard of Winkestoun younger, armit; Adam Hog, stauf, sword; Johne Lowys, speir, bonet; Gawin Charteris, stauf, gun, sword; Hector Cranstoun; James Cokburne; David Robesone, ane ax; James Robesone, armit; Johne Robesone, 1 stauf; David Robesone younger, 1 speir; Johne Ecfurd, 1 speir, bonet, sword, iii stauffis; David Ecfurd, 1 bow, hand ax, iii forkis; Alexander Fell, stauff; Johne Fresall, armit; Arthure Johnkesone, speir, bonet, sword; Dutho Paterson, 1 bow; William Litill, 1 stauf, 1 fork; Johne Patersone, 1 speir, bonet, sword; Matho Patersone, speir, lance, fork; James Maitland, 1 fork; William Richartsoun, stauf, sword, bukklar; Patrik Williamsons; Johne Houstoun; Johne Phillip, 1 speir; Thomas Thomsone; Johne Haldane; Patrik Murro, speir, stauf; Thomas Dikesone, speir, bonet; William Fairle, stauf; Stene Greif; Johne Dikesone; Joke Diksone; Alexander Mathosone; Laurence Craufurd, 1 speir, stauf; Thomas Tuedy, armit; William Dikesone; Johne Robyn, speir; James Dowthell, ii bowis; Johne Douthell, stauf; James Tuedy.

Vesying of the wappynnis.

The counsals ordanis the brekaris of the xl li. taxt, diuisit for the comune effaris and welth of the toвне, to be augmentit to the thrid peny eurrik persone ellis brokin and mak thre scor poundis thairof.

Taxt.

Ordanis euery man to haif ane sufficient speir that may by thame, and to note thame that is indigent and may nocht by to support thame be the toвне.

Speris.

Item, the counsals ordanis Robert Thomsone, tavernour, and his sone, ane in absence of ane vther, to vse the stryking of the swische nychtlie to the wauche and in the mornyng at skaling of the watsche, and for that caus to be dischargit of his walking, and to haif of feall yerelie be the baillies to be collectit at Sanct Stevne day with the officiaris feyis, and to tak his aventuris by as ane commoun seruand and minstrale, and thairupone the said Robert askit instrument and protestit for the draucht of this ordinance.

Thomsoun, swische.

Ordanis the hail inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, baith young and

Inhabitants to be in reddynes.

Inhabitants to
be in reddyens.

auld that dow lift ane sting or wapping, to be in ane reddyens, quhen the swische strykis or commoun bell jowis, to pas with thair baillies quhair thair pleis, for the commoun welth of the tovne, and that in thair best and maist honest substantious maner.

26 *May* 1572.

Commoun
effairis.
Thevis and
revaris.

The said day, James Wilsone baillie, in absense of William Dikesone his college, causit convene the hail nychtbouris and inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis be thair officiaris to tret vpon commoun effaris, and speciale to avoid this inconvenient now laitlie falling betuix the burgh of Peblis and the bordouris thevis and revaris, and haif tane four sworne men as speciale to be principall chargearis and commandaris of the inhabitantis vtouth the tovne in fra and following and to assist within the burgh with the maies-tratis for pvnishment of dissobeyaris, and becaus the said baillie wes vnabill of his awne persone offerit to ony abill man that wald accept his office he wald gif largelie of his awne geir, viz., ane kow with ane followare, his baillie fee and vtheris accidentis that appertenit to his office, and nane wald accept his office of his hand nochtwithstanding the offer foirsaid, and than incontinent thairefter the said baillie, with avise of the nychtbouris present for the thyme ordanit the saidis nychtbouris and inhabitantis of the said burgh of Peblis, to convene in the tolbutlit thair of on Weddynisday nixtocum be ix houris forro novne, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeing, and protestit gif ony inconvenient happynnit to fall in the meyntyme that he war blameles thair of becaus he culd haif na obedience of the saidis nychtbouris.

28 *May* 1572.

Counsale.

The counsale sworne for this present yere to Michaelmes nixtocum :—My lord provest ; James Wilsone, William Dikesone, baillies ; Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Newtown, Alexander Gowane, Patrik Dikesone, Adam Bell, George Horsbruk, Patrik Vache, Thomas Hesilhope merchand, James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone, Johne Hay, Andro Frank, William Lowys. Subscriuit be my lord provest and baillies ; and thir persones vnderwritting chosing to augment the nowmer for forthir setting furth of commone welth as efter followis :—James Hoppingill, Thomas Johnstoun, Gilbert Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy, Mertyn Hay, William Bell, Johne Wychtman, Patrik Gowane.

The counsals abone writting ordanis the wauche to stand as it wes of befor till my lord incuming in the cuntre, and thairefter to tak ourdour thairof as the counsals thinkis expedient, and ordanis ane blynd man to be suttit and quhat ressonabill compositioun thair mak to releif the sutor thairof; and ordanis Johne Hay, James Hoppringill, Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Vache, Gilbert Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy to sut diligently the said blind man.

Wauche.
Blind man

Ordanis the Eist Werk to be kept and the artailyerie to be schot be Adam Hog, and to be oursene be Patrik Newtoun, quhill Patrik sall distribute the pulder as necessite occurris. Ordanis Johne Portus to be conduit to walk nychtlie on the Eist Wark, enterand at ix houris at ewin quhill thre houris in the mornyng quhill the nycht grow langar, and thairefter Johne Wilson to pas to the hous heid and till remain quhill vij houris in the mornyng; and that the Eist Port be nocht opynnit quhill v houris in the mornyng, and steik the samin at ix houris at ewin quhill the nycht grow langare; and that gunnaris that may nocht furnys thameself pulder to haif sum part of the townis expensis in tyme of frayis and neid.

Artailyerie,
portis.

The brekaris of the ij^{xx} li, taxt for commoun effaris:—Patrik Gowane, Patrik Newtoun, Mertyn Hay, Johne Wychtman, Patrik Vache, James Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy, Arthure Jonkesone, Thomas Patersone, William Kelle.

Taxt.

The vesyaris of the wappynnis and armour of the burgh of Peblis as efter followis:—James Hoppringill, Alexander Gowane, Gilbert Tuedy, Patrik Dikesone, Johne Horsbruk, Adam Bell, Andro Frank, Johne Hay.

Wappynnis
and armour.

Item, it is statut and ordanit that na man nor bestiall, sic as schein hors swyne nolt, be found within vtheris yardis in tymes cuming, and to clois vp thair yaird futtis within the closis to keip the samin, vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving.

Yardis.

Item, ordanis all the heid dykis betuix Sanct Michael Wynde and Peblis brig to be sufficientlie biggit with all diligence betuix this and Sunday nixtocum, vnder the pane of viij s.

Dykis.

Item, ordanis ane new port to be biggit to the new wall of the reddiest tymber of the kirk tymmer, and to fall to wirk the morne, and ordanis Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lawder to fall to the bigging of the werk the morn and to begyn quhair thair left.

New port.
Wall.

9 June 1572.

Caidmuir. Ordanis the merchis of Caidmuir to be ridding, ald vsit and wont, efter novne, and all inhabitantis within the said burgh to be reddy to pas with the provest and baillies at the stryking of the swische efter novne, ilk persone vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving.

Vagabundis. Ordanis the provest and baillies to caus serce and seik all vagabundis that hantis or resortis inwith the liberte of burgh that thai may be notit and dischargit the tovne in all tymes cuming.

Trubling the court. The provest baillies and thair assessouris present for the tyme fyndis that ather Stene Robesone and James Hoppringill in ane wrang in trubling of the court the fourt day of Junii instant, and for that caus the saidis persones respectiue referris thame in the provest and baillies will for amendement to be maid at thair plesour.

19 June 1572.

The counsale. The ordinances of the counsale, viz., James Wilsone, William Dikesone, baillies; Thomas Johnstoun, Patrik Newtoun, James Tuedy, Johne Hay, Patrik Vache, Gilbert Tuedy, James Hoppringill, William Lowys, Thomas Tuedy, George Horsbruk, Alexander Gowane, Patrik Dikesoun, Patrik Gowane.

The wall and lyme. The counsale ordanis Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder to enter to the wark the morne, and to big safare as lyme is reddy or may be performit, and to wirk continewalie quhill lyme may be had, and failyene of lyme to lay dry wark in all places necessar quhair the counsale thinkis maist expedient and maist danger, and ordanis all that ar addettit in payment of carechis of lyme to the wark, baith Auld Towne and vtheris, to send hors that hes thame or than fe hors on thair expensis to bring in thair carache to the wark as thai salbe chargit be the officiaris, or than gif siluer to the interprisaris for ilk carache as the interprisaris of the wark payis thame self to the lyme men, viz., for ilk careche thre s., vnder the pane of dowble vnlaw by the price of the lyme that hes nocht brocht in thair careche the first yere to the wark.

The watsche, thre quarteris. Item, ordanis the tovne to be dividit in thre quarteris begynnand first at Johne Ecfurd in North-gait to Patrik Dikesone, fra Patrik Dikesone to Wille Ecfurd, fra Wille Ecfurd to Johne Ecfurd; and to enter to the day

wauche at v houris in the mornyng and in the middis of the day to lok the portis be the kepare thairof in tyme of dyner, or ellis to put ane kepare to the port, and he that kepis the port that day salbe dischargit of the nycht wautsche, and quha failyeis sall pay dowble vnlaw; and gif thai sie ony men rydand or gangand to the tovne, to steik the portis vnto the tyme it be knawin quhat thai ar, quhidder freindis or fayis, and quhair thai luge and takkis harbery the maister of the hous to cum to the baillies and fynd souerte that thai salbe honest and faithfull men.

The watsche,
thre quarteris.

And siclike ordanis the cornes on Caidmuir that is wrangushie sawin to be eting or thai be schorne quhen the provest and baillies makkis aduertisment be the stryking of the swische or ringing of the commoun bell, vnder the pane of dowble vnlaw vnforgeving.

Caidmuir.

Item, ordanis Adam Hog and Gawin Charteris to gang to the Eist Port nychtlie and remane thair, enterand at nyne houris and to remane quhill five houris in the mornyng, and Hectour Cranstoun and David Ecfurd to enter to Johne Hay chalmer and remane as said is, and Patrik Lowys and Andro Frank to pas and keip the stepill as said is, vnder the panes foirsaid.

East Port and
stepill.

2 July 1572.

William Dikesone of Winkestoun, takkand the burding in and vpon him for himself his kin freindis sones barnes assistaris and parttakkaris, bindis thame in presens of my lord Yester provest and baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis, byndis thame nouthir to molest cummer perturbe [or] to mak ony inquietatioun ony maner of way to ony persone or persones to invaid thame or ony of thame in tymes cuming, outhir in thair persones or gudis bot as law requiris. And siclike the baillies and communitie bindis thame in like maner that thai nor nane of thame sall molest perturbe truble nor cummer the said lard of Winkestoun nor his freindis foirsaidis in body or gudis in all caussis and caces concernyng thair commoun welth, but ilk ane assist vtheris as kyndlie and hartlie nychtbouris vnder the pane of periurie.

Winkstoun
and his
nychtbouris.

30 August 1572.

My lord provest baillies counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis ordanis the first taxt gadderit to mak compt of the desponyng thairof, and

Taxt.

Taxt. the vther taxt to be collectit and gadderit quhilk wes ordanit for crukkis of the port and bandis, for pulder, blynd man and watschis and vtheris commoun effaris, the tane half thair of on Monunday nixtocum and to be deliuerit to Patrik Newtown and the vther half thair of within viij day, and the said Patrik to despone the samin be avise of the provest baillies counsale and communitie.

**Conventioun.
Chakkare.** And ordanis ane of the baillies, with ane honest man and nychtbour, pas to Striveling to the conventioun and to pay the chakkare.

Port. Ordanis the crukkis of the port to be payit to James Wilsone, baillie, and his vtheris small comptis that he hes deburset sen he wes baillie.

Common kist. My lord confessis to deliuer the key of the common kist quhilk he hes in keping to the baillies and counsale and communitie.

Watsche. Item, ordanis thame that is vtouth the new north port that will nocht obey to watsche inwith the tovne pas to the vtmost north port ilk nycht thair cours about and walk thair as the rest of the tovne dois nychtlie, kepand the hour of thair entre and departing, vnder the pane of x s. vnforgeving; and als ordanis ane watsche to be nychtlie on the eist port on the tovne expensis.

6 October 1572.

Baillies. The said day, Alexander Gowane and Johne Horsbruk wes electit baillies, sworne and admittit. The said day Johne Fraser messinger producit our Souerane Lord letteres that na man suld be electit in office except thame that wes innocent of kirk graith, commoun geir and actuale merchandice, alanerlie.

Provest and clerk. The said [day] William lord Hay of Yester wes electit and chosing provest for ane yere alanerlie; and Sir Johne Allane ratifiit clerk in his office thair of, conforme to his gift vnder the tovne commoun seill; and thairupone the said persones askit instrument.

16 October 1572.

Watch. The hail inqueist ordanis ane quarter of the maist honest men of the tovne walk nychtlie, and the baillies to ressaue the foir watsche, and thai to deput ane honest man nychtlie to direct the hind wauche, and to remane quhill the hinder watsche be on fut and enter, and ane of the hind watsche

to attend quhill the sone ryse on the morne, and thre of ilk quarter to enter Watch.
 in the glomyng and to remane quhill the nycht watsche be set. And
 ordanis the wobstaris to keip thair watsche siclik quarterlie as afore. And Wobstartis.
 thame that is vtouth the new north port to walk. North port.

Ordanis the compt of the taxt to be maid on Saturday nixtocum, and the Taxt.
 rest that is nocht payit to be poyndit for.

Ordanis the knok to be rewillit in auld maner vsit and wont, and to gar Knok.
 hir stryke nychtlie, and to ring coverfyre xij houris and sax houris vsit
 and wont.

Ordanis the watsche nychtlie to be on the eist port ; and the key of the Keys of ports.
 eist port to be geving in keping to Alexander Gowane baillie, the key of
 the north port to Johne Fresall to be kepit, the key of the wicket to Johne
 Mathosone ; and to steik the portis with day lycht and opping thame on the
 morne at day lycht alsweill the portis as wickettis.

Ordanis all that lepis the wall to be pvnist be warding of thair bodyis in Leparis of the
 irnes xxiiij houris the first falt, the secund falt banissing of the tovne, the wall.
 thrid falt deid, etc.

Ordanis all berne durris that standis with the wall to be ramforcit and Berne durris.
 condampnit vnder the pane of viij s. als oft as thai failye.

Continewis the scoilmaister chesing to the haill counsale. Scoilmaister.

Ordanis the haill inhabitantis of the tovne of Peblis to convene at sevin The heichtyn
 houris at morne, ane of euirilk hous, with barrowis and mandis to beir of the wall.
 stanis with to the wall rownd about to be heichtit with dry stane, begynmand
 at the eist port, ilk persone vnder the pane of ane vulaw.

Ordanis the palyeone to be brocht hame, and failyene thairof to poynd Palyeone.
 Wille Kelle thairfore.

The inqueist findis Gilbert Andersone and Johne Edmond ilk ane in ane Trubling the
 wrang in trubling of the watsche in Youle last wes. watsche.

The inqueist fyndis Makkyn in the wrang in trubling of the tovne and A vagabaud.
 makkyn bargane with Johne Makke, and findis the said Makkin ane vaga-
 bund and ordanis him to be banist the tovne.

Besse Craufurd's sow.

The witnes of Besse Craufurd sow slaying : John Kirkwod solutus, of the age of xxvij yeris or thairby, sworne and admittit, deponis that he is innocent of the slaughter of the said sow and knawis nocht the stryking thair of. William Tempill, spousit ; Arche Patersone, solutus ; William Andersone, solutus ; Nimiane Portus, mariit ; and Johne Hendersoue, solutus, [severally depone] with the said witnes in all thingis.

23 October 1572.

Troublauce.

The inqueist fyndis Jonet Patersone in the wrang for invading of Thomas Ewmond wif, casting stanis at hir beseging hir in hir awne hous, quhair-through scho is lyand in danger of hir life.

The inqueist findis baith James Lowys and Eduard Gowane in the wrang in trubling of the tovne, makkand provocationn of wordis and ilk ane casting stanis till vtheris, and dome geving thairupone.

5 November 1572.

Stensone.
Barbouris.

The juges refusis to sit apone Johne Stensone actioun persewit aganis Johne Fairle anentis the hurting of him and modifying of the expensis in curing of his hurt sustenit be him thairintill to the barbouris, and thair-upone the said Johne askit instrument and protestit for remeid of law.

Prebendar of
Rude and Haly
Blude altars.

The said day, in the actioun and caus persewit be Johne Tuedy student, prebendar of the Rude autler and Haily Blude situat within the college kirk of Sanct Andro the Apostle in Peblis, aganis thir persones respectiue vnder writting, heretouris and occupiaris of the landis vnder specificit, makkand mentioun quhair the said Johne is lauchfulle providit to the prebendarie of the said Rude and Haly Blude, be vertu of the quhilk the landis annuell rentis dewiteis fewis fermes and emolimentis pertenyng to the said prebendarie pertenis to the said Johne Tuedy, and it is of verite that the said Johne hes bene in pecciabill possessionn of the vptakin of the maist pairt of the dewiteis respectiue thair of sen the deceis of vmquhile Sir James Davidsons his predecessour, quha decessit in the moneth of Februare anno 1568, and howbeit the annuellis rentis and dewiteis of the landis after following, pertenyng and occupiit be the persones efter specificit, pertenis to the said Johne prebendare foirsaid, and his vmquhile predecessour Sir James

Davidson and vtheris his predecessouris of befor wes in peccabill possession thair of during thair lifetyme, viz., in peccable vptaking and lifting of vij s. of annuell rent yerelie furth of ane foir both pertenant to Mertyn Craufurd lyand at the eist port at the north syde of the samin within the burgh of Peblis, furth of the commoun mihis or commoun gudis of the burgh of Peblis yerelie fourty s. of annualrent yerelie, furth of the lands of David Dikesone in Cunye Nuke yerelie xij s. iij d. of annualrent, furth of the landis of Johne Andersone lyand on the est syde of the Northgait on the north syde of the new port xiiij s. iij d. yerelie of annualrent, furth of the land of Sanct Peter and Paule vtouth the north port v s. of annuell rent yerelie, furth of the landis of vmquhile Michael Smyth lyand in the Auld Tovne iij s. of annuell yerelie; item, the hail croce house at the eist port; furth of the landis of William Gledstanis now heretabillie pertenyng to Helene Robesone vj s. viij d. ane acre of land in Smeithfeld pertenant in patrimony to the said altare callit the Rude Acre; item, ane rude of land occupiit be vmquhile Johne Dikesone at the north port pertenant in patrimony to the said altare; item, ane acre of land lyand on the south syde of Sanct Andro Kirk pertenant in patrimony to the said altare; [In the list are contained other twenty-five annualrents,—the whole, including those above detailed, amounting to £12, 4s. 2d., and a pound of wax.] The persones respectiue abone writting beand callit and conuenit afore the provest and baillies of the burgh of Peblis to heir and se decretis be geving at the instance of the said Johne Tuedy, prebendare foirsaid, and the landis abone specifiit to be poyndit be thair officiaris for the byrun annuellis abone mentionat sen the deceis of the said vmquhile Sir James Davidson his predecessour, and siclike yerelie and termelie in tyme cuning, conforme to the desyre of the said Johne clame, and the foirsaidis persones comperand in judgement denyit the said clame, and syne beand admittit to the said Johne probatioun, sindry dayis being assignit for probatioun thair of, the said Johne sufficientlie provit the samin, as the actis and procesis deducit and led thairupone mair cleirly proportis: Thairfore the saidis baillies being ryplie avisit with the saidis proces and depositiones of witnes foirsaidis decernit decretit and ordanit thair officiaris to pas poynd and distrenye the reddyst gudis and geir being vpone the ground of the saidis landis respectiue abone writting or ony part thair of and mak the said Johne Tuedy, prebendare foirsaid, payment of the saidis annuellis and dewiteis abone mentionat re-

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spectiue sen the deceis of the said vniquihle Sir James Daidsonne his predecessour restand awand vnpayit as is abone specifit, and siclike yerelie and termelie in tymes cuming, conforme to the said Johne provisioun clame and rentale productit thairupone, and ordanit preceptis of poynding to be direct heirapone as efferis; and thairupone the said Johne Tuedy prebendare foirsaid askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court on his expeusis.

10 November 1572.

Warnyng of
thevis.

The counsale ordanis Johne Wychtman to ansuer Johne Hog for his warnyng of the hoist thevis cuming about the tovne of Peblis in somer, xxx s.; and the rest of his taxt to be payit to the out watschis.

Flesche.

Item, that na flesche be blawin, vnder the panis contenit in the act of parliament.

Aittis.

That sufficient aittis be sauld na darrare nor xvj d. the pek, and that thai be sauld with custum met.

Lord provest.

The counsale ordanis the baillies, accompanit with the counsale, pas to my lord provest at his nixt cuming to Nepeth quhow sone he cumis in the cuntre, to haif his vter mynde quhidder the tovne and inhabitantis thairof be in my lord assurance or nocht, and quhat his lordship will do to thame considering he is our superiour, and thairefter seik the nixt best, and to haif his ansuer thairupone.

New wall.

Ordanis to cast the erd fra the new wall rownd about the tovne at siclike as the heid yardis on Tuede Grene and Peblis Walter syde, and to lay dry stanis on the new werk as thai think expedient, vnder the pane of viij s.

6 January 1572.

Hary Thom-
son, reif of the
tovne.

The baillies and counsale and communitie of the burgh of Peblis hes inhibit Hary Thomsonne in tymes cuming to be found within the libertie of the burgh of Peblis, becaus it wes notourlie knawin that he wes at the reif of the tovne of Peblis on the xxvij day of Merche yere of God foirsaid, and

in cace he be fund heirefter to be pvnist as accordis to ane commoun theif and revare. Harry Thom-
son, reif of the
tovne.

16 January 1572.

The counsall ordanis the auld taxt to be poyndit for and gadderit in, and to pay the owtwauchis thairwith sa far as it will reik. Taxt.

And siclike ordanit ane of the baillies accompanit with ane honest man pas done to Edinburgh with thair commissioun to the parliament, and thair expensis to be payit of the reddyest of thair commoun gudis as it beis getting in. Parliament.

Siclike, the counsalle constitutis Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder, interpariaris of the wall of the tovne, officiaris in thair awne caussis for the gadding in of the multuris that the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis wes abstractit is abstractit or salbe abstractit fra the milnis in thair hurt sen thai first interprisit the said wirk vnto the ische of thair tak, and affirmis the auld actis of the multuris of the milnis maid of before. The multuris.

4 February 1572.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to writt or ellis gang to my lord for the key of the commoun kist as of before, makkand certificatioun to him and his lordschip will nocht deliuer the said key thai will mak the kingis keyis, becaus thai haif greit mister of the saidis keyis to haif inspectioun of thair evidentis and commoun writtingnis inclusit in thair commoun kist that concernis commoun weill, and for inlaik of the saidis keyis can haif na inspectioun thairof. Provest, com-
moun kist.

The inqueist ordanis the watsche, ilk ane nychtlie to keip thair awne quarter as thai will ansuer on thair livis to the authorite and the tovne, and tua quarter maisteris to be chosing on ilk quarter, and gif ony fray or skry risis to pas to thair quarter with thair quarter maisters quhill thai se quhar the fray cumis fra for debait of the tovne. Watsche.

Patrik Stensone protestit that the calling of Robert Brovne, tennent to my lord Yester, at the instance of Johne Horsbruk suld nocht be preiudiciale to my lord Yester his maister privelege. Lord Yester.

Cu-tum.

The custum of the burgh of Peblis, being ropit be thre sindry court dayis to the maist availl for the commoun weill, the samin is set be avise of the provest baillies counsale and communite to Stene Robesone burges of Peblis for ane yere nixt heirefter followyng, for the payment of fiftie five pundis gude and vsuale money of Scotland, the tane half thair of to be payit at Beltane nixtocum the vther half at Lammes to the chakker; and hes ressauit (*blank*) firlois and (*blank*) pekkis and weyis and wey balkis and wechtis, and bindis and oblissis [him] to vphald the samin sufficientlie

7 February 1572.

Wautsche.

The maist part of the counsale ordanis all induellaris, houshaldaris within the burgh of Peblis, alsweill poore as rische, to walk nychtlie in tymes cuming as thai salbe chargit be the officiaris vnder the panes content in the actis maid of before, outhir the principale of the hous or thane ane sufficient man for thame, and na boyis nor lawdis to be admittit, and to walk quhair thair buthis is, and als ordanis that na drink be sauld to the wautsche be ony oistlaris in tymes cuming vnder the pane of viij s. vnlaw vnforgeving, and that na centralis remoif of the wautsche quhill vtheris cum and be. enterit in thair places vnder the pane of viij s.

Yardis.

Siclike, it is statut and ordanit that na sheip swyne nor vther bestiale be fund within the yardis in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of warding of the awnariis of the gudis in the tolbut, and thair to remane quhill thai fynd causioun that all nychtbouris salbe skaithles in all tymes cuming, vnder the pane of xl s. vnforgeving and paying of the skaith to thame that is hurt the first falt, and als oft as thai be found in ony of the yardis the second falt escheting of the gudis being apprehendit within ony of the saidis yardis.

Gunnis.

Siclike, it is statut and ordanit that all thame that hes gunnis to haif thame at all tymes baith nycht and day in ane reddynes with sufficient pulder and bullettis.

Scoilmaister.

Siclike, it is statut and ordanit that ane of the baillies, accompanit with tua honest men officiare and clerk, pas through the tovne to the honest men thair of and tak thair hand write and promis quhat thai or ony of thame will gif benevolentle to ane qualifit scoilmaister to mak dailie continewale

residence and await vpon the instructing and teching of the barneis and youth quhairby thai may increis in wisdom and knowlege for the common welth of the towne, and to mak ane register thair of to be yerelie payit to the said scoilmaister quhill thair commoun gudis be fre, or at the leist thai may haif als mekle common gudis as will satisfy the said scoilmaister, that it may conduce the said scoilmaister incontinent to be his yerelie feall, etc. Scoilmaister

Sielike, the counsale ordanis the baillies to caus by ane quarter of pulder and to pay it of the reddyest of the taxt or vtheris as it is getting in. Pulder.

13 February 1572.

The counsale of the burgh of Peblis, all in ane mynde, ordanis to tak ane addres with the bordour men that thai may do thair besynes in all thingis without ony feir or truble in tymes cuming, provyding always that the autorite licence be first obtenit heirto, and faillyene thair of to seik the nixt best; and ordanis Johne Hay and Johne Wychtman pas to Edinburgh incontinent vpon Sunday nixtocum to my Lord Regent grace and obtene his graces licence and commissioun for seking of the said addres that the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis incure na danger heirefter in cace thai tak addres with the saidis bordouraris, for eschewing of deidlie feiddis and cummeries in tymes cuming; and ordanis the said counsale ilkane be thameself to subscriue this present ordinance for the said Johne Hay and Johne Wychtman commissionaris for the said towne releif. Counsale.
The bordouris.

The hail counsale referis all secreit actiones to the baillies with four secreit men of the counsale, viz., ane of ilk quarter to be electit be the saidis baillies, and quhat ordour thai tak concerning commoun welth and addressing of the bordour for avoyding of cummeris to stand content thairwith and to appreif the samin, and quhat expensis the baillies debursis to ony fadis to releif thame thair of, and the counsale and the tovne to assist the samin in all partis. Secreit
actiones.

18 February 1572.

The interloquoutour findis that Johne Horsbruk suld haif forthir proceis aganis Robert Brovne in respect the paction wes maid within the burgh of Peblis, and als in respect that my lord Yester provest afore quham the Horsbruk.

Horsbruk. said actioun is intentit suld rather assist the said privelege nor dimember the samin.

Brovne. The lard of Romannos protestit in name and behalf of my lord Yester that his privelege be nocht hurt bot he may haif tyme and place to say aganes the interloquotour juges.

28 February 1572.

Evading incursions of hevis.

The counsale present for the tyme, for the evading of incursiones of thevis [ordanis] that thair be four out-wauthchis sit dailie, ane on the Wenlaw heid, ane vther on Hammiltoun heid, ane on Downay Knowe abone the park, the fourt on Carwovris Fald, and to enter on Monunday nixtocum at sax houris in the mornyng and to remane quhill the sone gang, to ilk quarter of the tovne ane wauthsche daylie quhill the ait and bear seid be sawin, and ordanis to steik the eist and north portis ilk Sunday in tyme of prayeris.

9 April 1573.

Textores and the tovne.

The hail inqueist, anentis the failye allegit be the textouris and thair brethir of craft maid be Patrik Williamsone officiare, findis that the said Patrik hes maid na failye in respect of the baillie command geving to him to tak the poynd of the decane hand, allegeand thai haif confirmatioun vpoun thair liberteis, and thairfore ordanis thame to schaw thair said confirmatioun on Thursday the xvj of this instant afore the counsale, providing always that thai be astrictit to kepe ordour in all besynes and commoun effaris as the rest of the tovne dois quhill the productioun of the said confirmatioun. And ordanis the quarter of the Auld Tovne few or mony to walk as the ordour of the tovne is takin in tymes cuming, ay and quhill vther ordour be takin thairintill.

Auld Tovne.

Palyeone.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to caus William Kelle to bring and restore the palyeone hame agane to the stepill, als hail and sufficient as it wes quhen he become souertie thairfore, within xv dayis, vnder the pane of payment of the sovme quhairapon he become souertie and causioun for the same.

16 April 1573.

The counsall ordanis the quarter of the tovne to walk nychtlie, the tane half thair of the foirnycht and the vther half the hindnycht, ilk persone vnder the pane of ane vnlaw vnforgeving to enter at ix houris and till remane quhill ane efter midnycht, and the vther wautsche to be raisit or the first wautsche gang to thair bed, and in absence of the baillie Johne Horsbruk Patrik Williamsons to ressaue the wautsche, and the tovne to satisfy the said Patrik for his pane; and the wautsche of the Auld Tovne to do inlikemaner, and that becaus in respect thair promist to haif schawin thair confirmatioun this day conforme to the ordinance tane the last inqueist, viz., the ix day of this instant and schew it nocht.

Wautsche,
textores.

Item, that na syde dykes round about the wall be biggit toward the said wall bot that thair be ane fre passage to the wautsche to walk nychtlie within the wallis without ony cummer stope or impediment; and that na scheip nolt nor hors be found, swyne nor ony vther bestiall, within the yardis in tymes cuming, vnder the pane contentit in the auld actis maid of before vnforgeving.

Wallis, yardis.

Ordanis the Vanelaw to be ropit and set to the maist availl to thame that will gif maist for it, and in the meyn tyme that it be cryit waist sente and hanyng without ony pastour of bestiall to be pasturit thairupone quhill the samin be set, vnder the pane of ilk heid bestiale found thairupone iiii d.

Vanelaw.

6 October 1578.

The burro and heid court of the burgh of Peblis haldin in the Tolbuith of the samyn, the vj day of October 1578, be William lord Hay of Yester, Johne Wichtman and James Hoppringle, the suttis callit, the court affirmit the absentis amerciat, Johne Stevinsone, Patrik Williamson officiaris and Johne Hay clerk.

Heid court.

Electi pro balliis fiendis:—Adame Moffete, Alexander Govane, Johne Wod, George Horsburgh, James Wilsoun, Patrik Waiche. Adam Moffete and Alexander Govane [having received thirty-three and thirty votes respectively are elected bailies] sworne and admittit.

Bailies.

My lord provest gaif his ayth that he suld vse the office of provestrie for ane yeir trewlie, conforme to the burro lawis and actis of parliament. And

Provest,
clerk, officiaris.

Provest, clerk,
officiaris.

siclik Johne Hay clerk of court wes creat for ane yeir. And alsua Johne Stevinsoun and Patrik Watsoun wes creat officiaris for ane yeir.

Commoun
caussis.

The court continewit to Wedinsday the viij day of this instant. My lord provest and baillies hes ordanit the counsale of the said burgh to convene in thair tolbuith, and that for aggrement of thair deidlie feid and vther commoun caussis.

Commoun
gudis.

James Hoppringle and John Wichtman, ald baillies, offerit to my lord provest baillies and counsale being present to abyd compt and rakkynng of all commoun gudis intronettit be thame sen the acceptatioun of thair office, and quhat commoditie or office the provest baillies and counsale fundis thame to haue ressaut or intronettit with that appertenit thame not of thair office that thai sall gif compt rakkynnyng and mak payment thairof presentlie at the command of my lord provest and counsale; and siclik Johne Wichtman than presentlie protestit that the baillies now electit suld haif na intronissioum with ony pairt of commoun gudis or geir in tym cuming nor yit of theyis thingis that thai wer redy to reforme, bot the thesaurare of burgh to haue the intronissioum thairwith in all time cuming, and the baillies to haue onlie thair dewtie of office ald vsit and wont payit and na forthir, quhairof Johne Wichtman baillie in name of commoun weill desirit act.

8 October 1578.

Stent to be
raisid.

My lord provest, baillies counsale and maist pairt of the communitie, conventit the viij day of October 1578, in thair Tolbuith.

In presens of my lord provest baillies counsale and maist pairt of the communitie hes all in ane voce aggreit and conducendit that ane stent and taxatioun be gadderit of all and sindrie the inhabitantis of burgh, and that alsweill of the iremen without burgh as within, the samyn stent to be tane for aggrement of thair deidlie feid of the town with the bordour, and that poynding pas vpon euery ane of the inhabitantis foirsaidis alsweill fremen outwith burgh as within incais of dissobeydiance or refus be maid be ony of the saidis personis of thair pairt of the stent and taxatioun thai be brokin to, quhairof publicatioun salbe maid to thame and euery ane of thame for thair awin efter the breikin of the samyn, and thairof my lord provest baillies counsale and maist pairt of the communitie requirit act.

4 *March* 1605.

The quhilk day, my lord prouest the bailleis and counsall statutis and ordanis that nane within burgh carie ane suord heirefter within the burgh ruddis, wnder paine of warding of thair personis, thairin to remane ay and quhill thay find cawtioun nocht [to] carie thame thairefter vnder the paine of fourtie pundis, *toties quoties*, and tinsell of thair fredome. And this act to be extendit aganis all within burgh except, for ane speciall caus and resonabill, thay procure licence befor of the baillies that thay carie the same for feir of invasioun of gentillmen without burgh being for the tyme within.

Carrying
swords.

29 *May* 1605.

The quhilk day, becaus that the seiknes of pest, at the pleasour of God, enterit in the burgh, and that vpon the xxvj of Maii instant [blank] Dikisoun and hir dauchter deit in ane ludge and Janet Dikisounis sone deit lykwyis ; and becaus that the clengeris ar cum ordanis thame to be putt in Robert Newtown bous and the toun inactit for his skaith of the hous. Gewis [the quarter maisteris] power that the baillies hes within burgh. Item, ordanis that ilk quarter maister caus twa of ilk quarter waik. Item, dischargis all societie and that nane cum out of thair awin [houses]. Item, that all that is ony wayes seik that immediatlie thairefter reueill [the samyu] vnder the pane of deid.

Pest.

30 *October* 1605.

Becaus that James Horsbrukis sone, being dischargit be my lord provest to gang to Leith and wald nocht obey be him and his hyrit men, thairfore ordanis him and thame to be wa'rdit quhill thai pay xls. to be imployit to commoun vs.

Disobedience
to the provost

Becaus of the complaint the deacoun aganis the craft becaus the hail craft disobeyit him, ordanis thame all to be dischargit work quhill the consall gewe thame autorite and tak ordour with thair disobedience, wnder the pane of ten pundis ilk falt.

Disobedience
to the deacon.

31 *October* 1606.

St Christo-
pher's altar.

The counsall convenit grantit the gift of Sanct Christophouris altare to William Dikisoun, for the space of sewin yeiris nixt heirefter, to interteny him at the scholes.

15 *August* 1608.

Flesche.

Beaus that the burgh is nocht weil seruit with flesche, and that the mercat is onlie servit with ane few nwner induellaris of burgh quha oft tymes wantis flesche, to the greit dishonestie of the inhabitantis quha ar desolat of prouisioun quhen strangeris reparis, thairfoir ordanis publict intimatioun to be maid one the mercat day that itt sall be lesun to all honest men to bring scheip, nolt, etc., to the Setterday mercat, and that thair sall be frie to slay fra Fryday at xij houris bak and begin to sell one Setterday frome the sone rysing to the donn seit.

7 *November* 1608.

Servantis.

It is ordanit that nane fee ane servant bot for ane yeir, and that heir-efter nane within burgh tak ane servant quhill the yeir be endit, and this act to be extendit aganis all servantis.

17 *February* 1609.

Burial of
James, second
Lord Hay of
Yester.

Ordanis the persounes efter specifeit to ryd to my lordis burial: John Dikison, Mathow Hay, Thomas Vaiche, Rechart Cheisholme, Andro Paterson, William Dikison, Alexander Broderstanis.

26 *May* 1609.

Calsay
burgesses.
Dowcat.

Ordanis all calsay burgesses to haif na pairt of the hillis.
Ordanis that gif itt be possibill ane dowcat to be biggit vpone the Hie Kirk stepill.

5 *August* 1609.

Flesche.

Ordanis that na flesche be blawin, vnder the pane of escheating; that nane be sauld vpone the Sabboth, vnder the pane of xx s. Item, that

nane haif merkis one the rumpillis of bestiallis bot onlie ane cros merk on the spald, vnder the pane of viij s. Flesche.

1 December 1609.

Beccaus that Mr Henrie Balfour is to enter to the commissarie thairfoir ordanis the tolbuith to be preparit with all diligence. Commissarie.

It is ordanit that nane of the counsall want ane hatt; and thai [to be] providit thairwith, baith in kirk counsall and court dayis, betuix and the xxv day of December instant, vnder the pane of ane vnlaw. Councillors to provide hats.

Item, ordanis that all quhome salbe nominat be the provest ballies and Hectour Cranstoun be provydet with psalme buikis betuix and the day forsaid, vnder the pane of ane vnlaw. Psalme buikis.

It is ordanit that the hail honest men, quarterle, be wairnit be the officieris ewere Sunday before and efter unwe to convoy the provest to and fra the tolbuith. Convoying provost.

14 December 1609.

Ordanis all the fischeris to sell na fische bot in oppin mercat, vnder the pane of x s. ilk falt, and all the fischeris to be wairdit quhill thai find cawtioun to that effect. Fischeris.

9 November 1610.

Ordanis that the scho mercat begin preccislie at ten houris, and that thai all lay out efter ten stryk, vnder the pane of xl s. ilk falt. Scho mercat.

16 November 1610.

The quhillk day, beccaus of sindre complaintis gewin in aganis seruantis for sindre thair misvsis in drinking within nycht, ryding abone the laiddis, refussing to work any maner of work, for remeid thairof it is statute and ordanit that nane sell na servantis drink fra 8 houris at nycht bak vnder the pane of xiiij s. 4 d. ilk falt, and that nane sell thame drink one the Saboth, and quha sall try thame to the tryar v s. Item, that nane raid abone nor behind na laid, vnder the pane of xx s. ilk falt, to be payit be thame to the maister for ilk falt, with power to the maister gif he try itt sufficientlie Servantis.

Servantis. to retene sua mekill of his fea. Item, that thai refus na maner of work, within nor without the hous, vnder the pane of vj s. 8 d. for ilk falt, to be payit to the maister, and he to retene sua mekill of his fea sua that maister try the refusall. Item, that gif ony of thame salbe tryit to retene any seller thair maister gewis thame to by coillis lyme or peittis, they sall pay for ilk falt to the maister vj s. 8 d. Item, that nane fea ane vther manis seruant except the seruant try be twa witnesses that he warnit his maister xl dayis befor the terme, vnder [the pane] of fyve poundis, the ane half to the tounis vse and the vther half to the maister.

23 November 1610.

Burgesses. The counsall, all in aue voice, concludis that nane [be] maid burgessis bot they sall gewe thair burges silwer to big calsay and big swa money rudes as the counsall sall direct thame.

16 November 1611.

Sait in the kirk. Referris the dnyising and building of the sait of the kirk to the counsall, viz. . . . Item, ilk person of counsall is content to gewe xx s. to the bigging thair of and Niniane Lowis to be collectour.

Flesh mercat. Item, to remember the making of aue flesh mercat.

11 August 1612.

Shearers. Ordanis all these that passit furth of the toun the last yeir to scheir furth of the samin be presentlie poyndit and dischargit that nane of thame pas away this harvest vnder the pane of banishment of the toun, and modifeis thame for thair fea, viz., the best men scheiraris xxx d., the wemen scheiraris ij s.

25 October 1613.

Watch. All friemen and inhabitantes to watche and to attend vpon the provest and baillies quhen they salbe requyrit, day and nycht, vnder the pane of ten pund.

Item, all men to be sufficientlie armit.

22 April 1616.

William Dyet has conducit himself to be doctour of the schole and faud Maister Johne Brydane cawtioum to keip his houris, to enter at sex remane and teich quhill nyne houris, from ten to tuelf, from ane to sex, and to behave himself honestlie, actit for his relieif, thairfore the toun to gewe him x merkis termlic fra Witsunday swa lang as he seruis thankfullie.

Schole
doctour.

23 April 1621.

Memorandum. To fee workmen to the casting of the stepill.

Stepill.

Item, itt [is] statute and ordanit, becaus the toun wallis ar brokin doun and lyklic to decay throw defalt of these that hes the landis adjacent thairto pertening thairto heritabill, that nocht onlie thay repair re-edifie and mak thair heid rowmes als guid as thay wair of befor bot also vpald the samyn in all tymes cuming in the lyk estait, vnder the pane of fywe lib. gif thai do nocht the samyn betuix and Lambes. And that ilk ane that passes in or ower the wall pay for ilk falt ten schillingis *toties quoties*.

Town wall.

Memorandum. To adwyse the gifting of the prebendaries to ane scholemaster.

Scholemaister.

Comisionaris for parliament : James Williamsoun provest, John Dikisoun.

Parliament.

11 June 1621.

Ordanis the thesawrer to big ane scheill vpon Hammiltoun to the hird.

Scheill on
Hammiltoun.

29 April 1622.

Ordanis that nane within burgh ressaue na vagaboundis, idill men nor beggaris be ressait nycht nor day, nor nather meit nor drink furnisheit to thame in thair houssis, vnder the pane of fywe merkis.

Vagabonds
and beggars.

19 August 1622.

Ordanis that na eldin be layit vpon the port heids nor toun wallis, and na woll nor claith driit vpon port heidis nor croce, and that nane s.barge

Wall, ports
and brig.

Wall, ports and brig. spaidis nor worklowines vpone the brig stanes wnder the pane of xls. toties quoties.

28 April 1623.

Buikis. East Work. The counsall hes ordanit Thomas Tuedie this day xv dayes to exhibit and produce the hail buikis pertening to the toune of Peblis; togidder also to delyuer to the said counsall the key of the Eist Work.

16 June 1623.

Convention of Burrowes. Ordanis Johnne Lewis commissioner for going to the conventioun of burrowis to [be] halden at Dundie the first of Julij nixtoecum.

Hamildoun, Wenlaw, and Caidmure. Ordaines the baillies to send ane of the officeris ewerie fourtie aecht houris to hund Hamildoun, Wenlaw and Kaidmwir, and anes ewerie weik to go themselfis and hund.

Great Bell. Ordaines the thesaurer to direct John Frank to ring the grit bell at fyue at morne and aecht at ewin, and gif he failye detene his waiges.

14 July 1623.

Auld schooll windows. Ordeanis the auld schooll windowis to be buildit for keiping lyme.

28 October 1623.

Innerleithen Mill. Ordaines the commoun kist to be socht for the rental of the milne of Innerleithen and sindrie vtheris writtis.

22 December 1623.

Regiam Majestatem. Ordaines the provest to produce Regiam Majestatem nixt counsell.

Counsell, hattis. Ordanes that quhosoewer cummis heir to the counsell heirefter but ane hat sall pay twentie schillingis, toties quoties.

Customs. The letteris vnderwrittin, at command of the provest bailyeis and counsell, ar copyit and insert in the counsell buik of this burgh, thairin to remane *ad futuram rei memoriam*, quhairof the tennour followis :

JAMES, be the grace of God, King of Scottis : To our schereff of Peblis and his deputtis greitting. Forsamekle as it is humlie menit and schawin to

ws be our louittis, the bailyeis and communitie of our burgh of Peblis, that quhair they haif of ws the small customes of our said burgh and payis thairfoir yeirlie to our comptroller the sowme of fourtene merkis, as the chekker rollis beiris; and quhair they ar in apprewit vse and consuetude of ane firlott of aittis to be payit of euerie pleuch tilth of land within the bounds of our scherefdomme of Peblis to thame for thair hail customes of thair cornes hydys skynnys and woll and vtheris guidis brocht to the mercat of our said burgh, ane pairt of lairdis of landwart and thair tennentis now mak impediment and refuissis to pay the said custome aittis, in defrauding ws of our custome aucht to ws of the saidis guidis and in grit skaith to the bailyeis and communitie of our burgh that man pay for the samyn to our chekker yeirlie as said is, and aganes justice gif sa be: Our will is heirfoir, and we charge yow straitlie and commandis, that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye call befor yow sick persounes as the saidis bailyeis and communitie of our said burgh ar plaintius of anent the premissis and tak cognitioun thairintill, and sa far as the saidis persounes grantis, or that the bailyeis and communitie of our said burgh may sufficientlie preiff, that they haif bene in vse of payment of the saidis custome aittis in tymes bigane, that ye compell the saidis persounes to mak payment to thame thair of siclyk in tyme cuming yeirlie, togidder with the rest of the yeiris bigane, as the saidis persounes grantis or the saidis bailyeis and communitie of our said burgh may preiff, according to justice. This ye do without delay, as ye will ansuer to ws vpon the executioun of your office, deliuering thir our letteres be yow dewlie execute and indorsit agane to the berar. Gevin vnder our signet, at Edinburgh the sext day of Merche, and of our regne the nynt yeir. *Ex deliberatione dominorum consilii. Sic subscribitur:*
CHEPMAN.

26 April 1624.

Ordaines the customar to set vpe the trone, baith for weying of men and vther stapill wairis, foranent the croce, at Alexander Horsbrugh his buith dur. The trone.

Ordaines the hail honest men to be wairmit to attend the magistrattis in maist ciuill forme, euerie man with ane suord at his belt, baith at the Attendance on magistrattis.

Attendance on
magistrattis.

tyme of the Beltane fair and hors race vpone the morne thairefter, as lykwayis at all vther fairis heirefter, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten pundis for ilk failye, *toties quoties*.

24 May 1624.

Schoolmaster.

Mr Andro Watsone, scholmaister, compeirand, promiseist to gif better attendance in tyme cuming nor he hes done of befor, he being payit.

20 August 1624.

Wappin-
schawing.

In the Croce Kirk yeard of Peblis, the tuentie day of August the yeir of God j^m vj^e tuentie and four yeiris. The quhilk day, in presence of James Williamsons provest, Johne Lewis and Alexander Mure bailyeis, compeirit the persounes vnderwritin at the generall wappinschawing, with thair armour following, viz.: Alexander Horsbrugh burges of Peblis, with ane suord, ane lance, and ane steill bonnat; Patrick Thomsons, with ane suord and ane hagbuit, quha is ordanit to haue ane jack and ane steill bonnat; James Heckfurd, with ane suord, ane hagbuit, and ane steill bonnat; James Greif, vnlawit for wanting of his armour except ane suord; John Oynes, present, with ane jack ane sword, ane steill bonnet, ane speir; Johne Plenderlaith, present, with ane suord quhom ordanis to haue ane lans, ane steill bonnet and ane pair of pletsleuis and ane hagbuit; Johne Smyth, present, with ane speir and ane suord, ordanes him to haue ane jack, ane hagbuit and ane steill bonnet; James Tait, present, with ane suord, ane speir and ane steill bonnet; absent, Patrick Tod; Johne Dikesone, wobster, present, with ane suord and ane speir; ordanis him to haue ane steill bonnet; Thomas Young, present, with ane suord but ane belt, and ane speir, ordannes him to haif ane steill bonnet; Johnne Broune, present, with ane suord and ane lans, ordannes him to haue ane steill bonnet and quhinger . . . Archbald Frank, with ane hagbuit and suord, ordanis to haue ane buffill coit, Charles Pringill be Johne his sone with ane suord, hagbuit, tua pistollis, steill bonnet and jack. [Other sixty-two persons are mentioned in this list as present, and their armour described; and four persons are stated to be absent. In a separate list, headed "Auld Tonne," twenty-five persons, whose weapons are described, are stated to be present, and one to be absent.]

20 September 1624.

Anent the supplicatioun gevin in be Thomas Tuedie for his satisfioun T was bukis.
for the bukis producit be him of his vmquhile father, Sir William Newbie,
Sir John Allane and Stanhous workis, the hail counsell hes ordanit and
ordanes thair thesaurar, present and to cum, to content and pay to the
said Thomas the sowme of fourtie pundis money.

29 September 1624.

The estait of the mylnes ressaut be Patrik Thomsonsone, takisman thairof. Estait of the
mylnes.
The Ruid Mylne. The overstane aucht inches alyk at ey and heme,
conforme to the jedge deliuerit to David Plenderlaith present thesaurar for
the last yeir and to Thomas Tuedie thesaurar for the yeir to cum; the
nether stane ten inches at the ey and aucht inches and ane half at the heme,
conforme to the said jedge; the inner quheill of new aik, the vtter quheill
new of asch, baith ticht and sufficient; and the hail rest of hir furnitour all
new and sufficient; and the mylhous all new biggit with stane and lyme
and all of new tymmer.

The Auld Mylne. The nether stane sewin inches alyk at ey and heme;
the overstane foure inches alyk at ey and heme, conforme to ane vther
jedge delyuerit *vt supra*; the inner and vtter quheillis and hail water
graith all sufficient; the mylhous sufficient; item, deliuerit to the said
Patrik ane malt firloft, ane quheit firloft, thrie coppis. *Nota*: The mylne
wantis ane back dur.

All sichtit and comprysit be the proveist bailyeis and counsell, of con-
sent of the said Patrik Thomsonsone, takisman foirsaid, and of James Halden,
vuder myllar.

11 October 1624.

Charles Porteous also grantis he said: The devill be amang the provest Abusing the
magistrates.
and bailyeis or I be thair burges, and that they war ane cumpanie of gredie
gormawis, for the quhill also he come in will. Discharges him frome vsing
of ony fremanis tred.

10 November 1624.

Taking salmon
in forbidden
time.

The persones vnderwrittin, accusit for taking of salmond in forbiddin tyme, declarit in maner following, that is to say: Thomas Bennat in Myrehous, for himself and his servandis, cumis in will; John Dikeson and John Hay servitouris to John Hay of Smeithfeild, absent, is vnlawit; Walter Horsbrugh grantis ane fische and cumis in will. [Other eight persons are accused of similar offences.]

7 March 1625.

Actis of par-
liament.

Ordanes Patrik Thomsone to produce the actis of parliament ather the nixt counsell day or ellis the sowme of fourtene pundis money quhilk was gewin thairfoir.

Ordanes Thomas Tuedie, thesaurar, to by the hail new actis subsequent thairto sen the last actis contenit thairintill.

Ordanes the provest to produce *Regiam Majestatem*.

21 March 1625.

James Williamsons, proveist, produceit *Regiam Majestatem* and Patrik Thomsone produceit the actis of parliament, quhilkis ar deliuerit to Thomas Tuedie thesaurar.

21 November 1625.

Townis writtis.

Produceit be James Williamsons the writtis tane out of the commoun kist, in persute of the actionnes of law, viz: decret of cognitioun concerning the landis of Kaidmure; ane chartour grantit be King James the fourt to the toun of Peblis of the liberties thairof; item, the last new chartour, with the precept and sesing following thairupon; item, ane chartour and ane sesing grantit to the toun of Peblis of the landis of Frankisland; item, the commoun seill; quhilkis ar ordanit to be put in agane in the commoun kist. Item, produceit be him the decret of improbatioun at the townes instance contrair thair vassellis.

19 December 1625.

The hail counsell ordanes David Plenderlaith, thesaurar, to by ane Powder. barril of powder for furnishing of the tua gunnis in the stepill and these that hes peices within this burgh, ilk ane of thame tua vnecs, agane the nixt wapounschawing.

16 October 1626.

The hail counsell statutes and ordanes that quhatsumener persone, ather Frayis. burges or induellare within this burgh, sall not cum furth with all expedition at ony fray or bruiye or tuilye amangis gentilmen or vtheris at ony tyme heirefter within this burgh, that ilk persone sall pay ane vnlaw of ten pundis for ilk failye, *toties quoties*.

Item, that ilk honest man within this burgh by and furnis ane halbert Halbert. to be reddie in thair foirbuith or furniest hous of thair duelling.

30 April 1627.

Johne Dunlope, sone lauffull to Adam Dunlope in Murscheill in Cuning- School doctor. hame, being presentit be maister Andro Watsone, scholmaister, to be doctour vnder him in the schole of Peblis, fra the terme of Witsunday nixtocum till Mertymes nixt thairefter, and his qualificatioun referrit to the tryell of the persone, Mr Gawin Mackall and Mr Andro himself, conjunctlie, and being sworne and haifing maid faith *de fidei seruiicio*, is ressauit to be doctour during the said space, his entrie thairto to be immediatlie efter the said terme of Witsunday nixtocum, for the quhilk seruice thair is appointit to be gevin to him the sowme of twentie merkis with the ordinar quarter payment of the bairnes, baith to burgh and landwart vsit and wont, and his daylie meit to be throw the toun with the bairnes as vse hes bene, and he to find himself chalmer and bed.

3 September 1627.

Compeirit Adam Bryden, hird of Kaidmures, and declairit that vpon the Kaidmures. penult day of August last Johnne Scott of Hundilishope, being ryding vpone aue hors, with thrie doggis, houndit the tounes scheip off the foir hill of

Kaidmures. Kaidmure to the Burroleyis and boistit the said Adam, avowing he sould lay ane wand about his luggis.

1 October 1627.

Fines. The haill counsell, with advyse of my lord Yester, hes ordanit the half of the haill fynes for quhatsumeuer blude and ryot be collectit be the thesaurare and the vther half thair of to cum to the vse of the proveist and bailyeis, proportionallie amangis thame.

27 October 1628.

Gait to Ham-
miltoun Hill. It is statute and ordanit that whosoever pas by the merche stanes in the gait betuixt the Auld Toun and Hammiltoun Hill sall pay for euerie fault ten pundis, *toties quoties*, and that the haill land teillit by the merche stanes be laid down.

3 November 1628.

Port on Tweed
brig. Ordanes ane poirt to be put vpe vpoun Tueid brig.

1 March 1629.

Witchcraft. In presence of James Williamsons proveist of Peblis, compeirit William Tait saidler, burges of Peblis, and James Mathiesone induellar thair, and become actit, conjunctlie and seuerallie, for Williame Mathiesone in Kirno brother to the said James as being apprehendit be maister Theoder Hay persoun of Peblis as subject of witchcraft, etc., that the said William Mathiesone sall nawayis escaipe nor be fugitiue fra the lawes of this realme, bot that he salbe ever readie and subject vpon sex dayis wairning to compeir before any judge or judges spirituall or temporall within this realm and vnderlye the saidis lawes als oft as he salbe requyrit or acit thairto, and that vnder the pain of fyve hundreth merkis money of this realme, *toties quoties*, lykeas the said William hes actit him to releave his saidis cautioners.

1 June 1629.

Appointment
of school-
master. The quhilk day, Mr William Dikesone, conforme to ane supplicatioun gevin in be him, being ressaut and admittit to be scholmaister of this

burgh till the aucht day of September nixto cum alanerlie, at quhilk tyme, or ony tyme thairefter, he obblissis himself to remove thairfra without ony forder warning, and being sworne maid faith *de fidei et diligenti servicio* thairintill, and to gif his diligent attendance thairto at the ordinar times appointit and vsit of befoir in teitching the bairnies committit to his charge, and than, except it be the counsell guid plesour and will, sall renounce simpliciter the said schole and all benefeit thairof for ever, lyk as he hes subseryuit this present act togidder with the articles and his iniunctiones in the said service following acceptit be him as following, viz : In primis, that he sall daylie in the oulk dayis enter to the said schole at sex houris in the morning, and, efter prayer and compt of thair morning lessounes or pairtis, sall teitche the lessounes to the bairnes baith leirning latene and scottis till nyne houris. Item, he sall enter him self and convene the saidis bairnes daylie the saidis oulk dayis at ten houris, awaiting vpon thame and instructing thame to wryt fra ellevin houris till tuelf houris. Item, he sall enter agane to the said schole daylie ilk oulk day at half hour to tua houris efter none and await vpon the schole till sex houris at nicht, taking ane accempt of thair lessounes at four houris daylie. And it sall not be lesum to him to gif the bairnes libertie to play ony dayis except betuixt tua and four houris efter none vpoun Tysday and Thursday and Setterday ; and, gif it pleis him, vpoun Setterday fra tua houris bak for all that nicht ; remitting his attendance vpon the said schole vpoun Sabboth day to his awin discreitioun sa lang as he is exerceisit in the functioun of ane minister. And gif he sall failye in ony point of the premissis he of his awin consent immediatlie thairefter is content to be deprivit the said schole and all benefeit thairof in tyme cuming. (Signed) M. W. DICKESONE.

Appointment
of school-
master.

20 July 1629.

Ordanes all these that hes not sent thair horsse to the lyme for my lord of Traquair to be presentlie poyndit or wairdit quhill they pay fyve pundis,

Lord Traquair.

17 August 1629.

Mr. Mathow Forsyth is satisfeit for the buik contening the copies of the writtis produceit be our vassellis in the improbioun socht be ws againes thame.

Improbation
against vassals.

10 *May* 1630.

Gift of a mort-
cloth.

The quibilk day, compeirit James Williamsons burges and ane of the counsellouris of the burgh of Peblis, in name and behalf of Robert Horsbruik sone lauffull to vmquhile Alexander Horsbruik of that ilk and burges of Edinburgh, and declairit that the said Robert tendering the further supplie of the pure of the parochin of Peblis had out of his awin frie motive will doittit dedicattit and mortifeit vnto the said burgh of Peblis and sessioun thair of ane mortelayth, being of fyne black claith lynit throw with blak buckasie and compassit round about with ane blak silk frenzie in the bordouris thair of, quhilk he than exhibit and producit in counsell befor the proveist bailyeis and counsell of the said burgh, and desyrit that the samyn might be kept in all tyme cuming be the kirk thesaurar of the parochie kirk of Peblis and his successoris thesauraris thair of quha suld in thair names geve furth the samyn for decorment of all defunctis as he suld be requyrit, and that vpon ane competent pryce or dewtie thairfor as the saidis proveist bailyeis counsell minister and sessioun of Peblis suld appoint and set down, and the samyn moneyis to be distribute to the pure of the said burgh and parochin at the discretioun and directioun of the said counsell and sessioun ; as lykways desyrit that gif the saidis counsell and sessioun suld happin to impose ane gritter sowme vpon the borrowaris of the said mortelaith for defunctis without burgh mair nor within the samyn, in that cace that they suld haif ane speciall regaird for mitigatioun to be grantit to the parochineris of Ettlilstoun, Kailzeo, Menner and Lyne, for quhois vse and seruce vpon the said ressonabill mitigatioun he had speciallie giftit the samyn nixt efter the said burgh and parochin of Peblis. And thairfor the saidis proveist bailyeis and counsell efter dew deliberatioun and thanksgiving to God for so cristiane ane dispositioun towardis the pure anes of the said parochin, and without ony forder inquirye of ony vther end or intention of the said dotatioun, they all in ane voce and be the tennour of this present act, ordanes that the said mortelaith sall in all tyme cuming remane in the custodie and keiping of the said kirk thesaurar of the said kirk and his successoris thesauraris thair of quha salbe aetit to be comptable at all tymes to the saidis proveist bailyeis counsell and sessioun for the samyn ; and that he sall at all tymes be reddie to deliuer the said mortelaith to ony persone

that salhappin to requyre the samyn for the end and vse foirsaid upone the pryces respectiue vnderwritin and in maner efter decydit, that is to say, that ilk borrowar thairof within burgh sall pay at the ressavng thairof the sowme of threttene schillingis four penneis, and forder according to thair chiritie and plesour; and ilk borrowar thairof without burgh and within the parochin sall pay thairfoir tuentie schillingis, and forder at thair plesour and chiritie, and find cawtioun for deliuerie thairof vnharmit within the space of sex houris vnder the pane of ane hundreth pundis; and that ilk borrowar of the samyn within ony of the said foure parochins abon-specifeit sall pay at the ressavng thairof the sowme of threttie schillingis and forder at thair discretioun and find cawtioun actin in the toun court buikis for deliuerie of the samyn bak agane vnharmit within the space of xxiiij houris vnder the lyk pane of ane hundreth pundis; and that ilk borrowar thairof for ony defunct without the said four parochinis sall pay at the ressavng tharof fyve merkis money, and forder according the distance of the boundis and qualitie of the persones, and find cawtioun as said is for deliuerie thairof bak agane vnharmit within the said space of tuentie four houris, vnder the said pane of ane hundreth pundis. And hes ordanit and ordanis that na privat persone quhatsumeuer ather to burgh or land buy or vse ony vther mortelaith heirefter, aither for thair awin vse or the vse of vtheris, bot onlie to vse the said mortelaith, ilk persone contravener vnder the pane of [blank]. And ordanes thir presentis to be publischt and preceptis to be direct heirvpoun gif neid beis.

Gift of a mort-
cloth.

29 May 1631.

The quhilk day, ane noble John lord Stewart of Traquhair thesaurer of Scotland, Sir George Cockburne of Ormstoun, James Stewart of Ormstoun, Robert Ker callit of Greinheid, Michael Naismith younger of Posso, John Lowes of Mennar, James Patersone of Cauerhill, John Burnet younger of Bernes, John Maik seruitour to the said Sir George Cockburne of Ormstoun, being resseaved and admitted burgesses and freemen of the burgh of Pebelis, and libertie gevin to thame to vse all priuileges and fredomes thairof, and they and ilk ane of them acceptand maid faith and hes gevin thair aithes of fidelitie thairanent as vse is.

Burgesses.

5 March 1632.

JAYSHOO, etc.

Comperit personallie Johnne Robene burges of Peblis, and being ereat ressaunt sworne and admittit javellour and keipar of the stepill and javill houssis and tolbuith of the said burgh, and keipar guydar and rewlar of the knok thairof, and to ring the bellis of the samyn at the ordinar tymes accenstomed and appointit, . . . hes gevin his grit aith of fidelitie thairintill, and for thankfull and tymous serviee in the samyn at all occasiounes, alsweill nicht as day, and that he salbe comptable for quhatsumener persone or persones that salbappin to be arreistit or committit in waird thairintill till they be lauffullie and ordourlie fred or relevit furth thairof, and for that effect he sall haif ane buik to be markit and subseryuit be the pro-veist bailyeis and clerk of the said burgh quhairintill he sall insert everie persones name to be committit in the said waird at quhais instance they salbe committit or arreistit, the particuler caus or sowme of money for the quhilkis they ar or salbe arreistit, as also the maner of thair releiff furth of waird, beiring the name of the magistrat and pairtie commandar or causer of thair releiff with the caus and ressoum thairof. . . .

19 March 1632.

Commissariat.

James Williamsons, present, produceit the gift of the Commissariat grantit be the Bischope of Glasgow, Spottiswod, to vmquhile Mr Henry Balfour commissar, togidder with ane letter of recommendatioun of him to the toun of Peblis.

26 March 1632.

Convening of the counsell.

The haill counsell convenit, hes ratifeit and approvin thair sindrie lovable actis, maid be thame and thair predecessouris, anent the absentis frome counsell not cuming thairto in dewe tyme at the ringing of the bell and cuming thairto with blew bonnettis without battis, and ordanis everie ane of thir failyeis to be punischit be payment of aucht schillingis to be payit be ilk contravenar *toties quoties* but mitigatioun.

27 May 1633.

Learning bairns to spin.

Appointis Weddinsday nixt to convene the haill persones and parentis of these bairnes gevin vpe in roll to be bund for ane yeir to the small quheill in the hous to be erectit to lerne the young anes to spin.

3 *June* 1633.

The hail counsell hes referrit the taking of ane hous for the maistres and bairnes of the lytill quheill to be erectit for leirning of the young anes of this burgh, to the proveist the tua bailyeis Alexander Mure and Thomas Tuedie thair discretioun.

Learning
bairns to spin.

18 *November* 1633.

Auent the generall complaint maid of certane the inhabitantis of this burgh for railing out, miscalling and baning of the brekeris of the taxatioun, ordanes the proveist and bailyeis to caus warne all these raillaris in the stepill, thairin to remane fourtie aucht houris without mitigatioun, conforme to the roll to be gevin to thame and informatioun thairaneut.

Railing against
taxation.

20 *April* 1635.

The counsell ordanes ane roll to be drawn vpe of sick persones as salbe nominat be the proveist and bailyeis to be warnit to await vpone thame during the tyme of the fair, vnder sick panes as they sall pleis modifie.

The fair.

1 *August* 1636.

The chartour of the corne mylne and millandis of Innerlethen, grantit to my lord erle of Traquhair, is subscriuit be the counsell and ordanit to be deliuerit to his lordship with ane discharge of all byganes.

Mill of Tra-
quair.

Ordanes the thesaurer to buy Wedderburnes grammer and deliuer the samyn to the scholmaister, conforme to the act of the burrowis at thair generall conventioun.

Wedderburnes
grammar.

14 *November* 1636.

It is statute and ordanit that in respect of the appeirance of the plaige that na persone within this burgh pas furth theirof to na forane pairt, without special licence of the proveist and bailyeis or ane sufficient testimoniall subscriuit be the clerk at thair command. And sicklyk that nane ressett ony stranger quhatsumeuer till they adverteis the proveist and baillies and obtene thair licence, vnder the pane of banishment or xl li. And for that effect ordanes the portis to be preeisle kepit in the day

The plague.

The plague. tyme and the town to be watchit in the nicht tyme, and the constables with ane of the bailleis in thair quarteris to set the saids watches and they to check the saids watches ; and the vnlattaris of this act in ony point thairof to be wardit till they mak satisfioun.

12 June 1637.

Wedderburnes Item, the thesaurar to buy Wedderburnes grammer and deliuer the
grammar. samyn to the scholmaister, conforme to the act in August last.

6 November 1637.

Bairns to be Ordanes all these of this burgh that hes ony bairnes able for the schole
sent to school. to put thame thairto *primo quoque tempore*, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten merkis, conforme to ane roll deliuerit to William Melros.

Counsell, kirk. Ordanes the hail counsell to sit ilk Sabbath day in the townes stall in the kirk, and that ilk counsellour to haif ane new hatt thairin, vnder the pane of xl s. *toties quoties*.

16 April 1638.

School doctor. Anent the provisioun of ane doctour to the schole of Peblis and his mentenance and intertenement in meit and fie, the baill counsell hes condiscendit that the hail honest men, baith counsell and all vther inhabitantis honest men, salbe convenit this day efter none, and thair voittis and consentis sall be had thairanent ; and all these quhais names followis haifing convenit, they with advyse of the counsell hes condiscendit and aggreit that ane guid qualifeit and sufficient persone and doctor salbe socht for that effect, and that he sall haif of quarter payment for ilk bairne put and to be put to the schole fyve schillingis quarterlie, with sick augmentatioun as the counsell of this burgh sall think meit and allow, and that in full contentioun baith of his [meit] about with the bairnes, and of ony vther dewtie dew to him, and that this present act salbe drawin and maid thairvpone. The names of the persones compeirand and consenting heirto followis, they ar to say, Doctor Theodor Hay persone of Peblis, Johne Lowis provest, David Plenderlayth and Patrik Thomsonsone bailyeis, James Williamsone [and twenty two others] and the hail remanent honest men and honest women of this burgh all in ane voce agreeand, except Paull Robesone.

4 *October* 1638.

Anent the missive letter sent from the commissionaris of Edinburgh and vtheris burghis convenit at Edinburgh to ws, desyring this burgh to protest aganes the proclamatioun of the generall covenant, the counsell hes concludit that protestatioun sall be maid quhensoeuer the samyn salbe proclamit, and to that effect ordanes tua of the counsall to attend the samyn daylie.

The generall covenant.

29 *April* 1639.

Ordanes all these that hes not subscriuit the covenantis to be convenit this day at the clerks buith to subscribe the samyn.

The covenantis.

1 *May* 1639.

Anent my lord Yesteris letter direct to the burgh of Peblis and gentric of the schyre, daittit the last of Apryle last, beirand that his Majesties navie of tuentie aucht weir schippis war cum within the Forth towardis Leyth, that thairfoir the fourt man of the kingdome behovit to ryse in airmes as was formarlie proclameit, lykwyis ordaning that the fourt man of the burgh suld repair to him and his cullouris at Leyth this nicht [at] anes, in such airmes and furnist as was appointit, the magistrattis and haill counsellouris of this burgh ordanes the first quarter of the inhabitantis disignit in the roll, with the magistrat appointit thairto to performe the desyre and ordinance of his lordshipis foirsaid letter in sua far as may extend to the number and space of ten dayis and ten nightis service alancerlie, at the expyryng quhairfoir the saidis magistrats and counsell ordanes the magistrat and men specifeit in the second rank to relewe thame, and efter vther ten dayis these of the thrid rank to relewe these of the second, and sicklyk these of the fourt rank to relewe the thrid, and during the said service to begin agane at the first rank. (Signed) Ja. Thomsonsone, for the first quarter; William Lowes, for the second quarter; Johne Lowis prowest, for the thrid quarter; David Plenderleath, for the fourt quarter.

Armed men sent to Lord Yester.

19 August 1639.

Picks and
musketis.

Ordanes the provest and baillies to exact the pryces of the picks and musketis deliuerit to the inhabitantis of this burgh, and to serche quha ressauit these left at the camp, beginning first at Patrik Thomsons and his companie.

30 July 1640.

Furnishing
armes.

The counsell hes ordanit all the fourt men to go away to tak thair awin armes gif they haif thame, and the wther thrie to contribute with him and act thame for his releif *pro rata*, and gif the fourt man haif na armour of his awin that he and his pertinoris furnish armes to him, and he and they all actit to relewe vtheris.

16 July 1641.

Men sent to
army.

The provest and bailyeis of Peblis, with avise and consent of the baill counsell of this burgh, hes actit thame selfis for releif of the haill cumpanie as fourt men now presentlie going furth of this town to the airmie, to provyde als mony vtheris men at the expyryng of the fourtie dayes prescryuit to thame as will releif all these men now presentlie going away, and that vnder the pane of thair fredome at the fourtie dayes end.

31 August 1641.

Watching
corues.

Ordanes ane watche of sex persounes to watche the town and cornes fra aucht houris at nicht and fyve houris in the morning, ilk persone vnder the pane of xl s.

1 November 1641.

Airmour.

Ordanes the bailyes to tak tryell of the airmour cum hame fra the camp.

8 December 1641.

Mu-kettes and
picks.

Compt of the armes deliverit be the burgh of Pebles to the inhabitantes therof in anno 1639, and for which they wer wairnit and conveyit befor the burro court vpon the eight of December 1641 :—

Muskettes of the first pryce : James Horsbruigh, present, ane, grantis ; Muskettes an
John Horsbruigh, ane ; *inde* of thes 19. Muskettis of the picks
second pryce ; *inde* of that sort, 22. *Inde*, in all 41 muskettes.

Followis the pickes : *Inde* in all 41 pickes. Octavo Decembris
1641. Haldis all not compeiring pro confessis.

1 *May* 1643.

Ordanes the haill counsell and haill remanent honest men of the toun Attendance on
to attend the proveist and bailyeis, with ane sword at thair belt and ane the magi-
staff in thair hand, the morne efter Beltane day, the haill tyme of the strates.
hors races, ilk persone vnder the pane of fourtie schillingis, and ordanes the
officiaris to warne the haill toun for that effect.

8 *January* 1644.

The counsell ordanes James Chisholme, quha is wairdit for not going Refusal to go
furth to the present expeditioun, to be relewit vpon sufficient cawtioun that to army.
he salbe reddie to go furth quhensoeuer the provest and bailyeis sall requyre
him vnder the pane of fourtie pundis and going furth of his said cawtioner
for him inaceise of failye.

6 *May* 1644.

Ordanes ane mustare and wapounschawing to be vpon Setterday nixt, Wapoun-
and these that hes muskettis ilkane to haif ane pund of powder and ane schawing.
pund of ballis, and the toun sall provyde and give thame matche.

22 *June* 1644.

The quhilk day, Andrew Hay of Hayistown scherefle put of the scheref- Runaway from
dome of Peblis, haiveing apprehendit and taken Johne Broderstanes, lait army at York.
servant to Archbald Homiltoun in Over Orsbuik, runaway from the com-
panie of Captane Andro Hay in the airmie at York, and presentit him to
Patrick Thomsone ane of the bailyeis of Peblis, to be put in thair suire
ward, for obedience of the ordinance of the Committie of Estaittes and of
the Committie of War within this schyre, and the said Johne being thair-

Runaway from
army at York.

intill incarcerate for obedience foirsaid, compeirit Patrick Brodderstanes merchant in Peblis and Adam Brotherstanes in Over Kidstoun his brother and actit thameselfes [as cautioners for John Brodderstanes appearing before the Committee of War and obeying their injunctions,—this being done “with consent of Sir Alexander Murray of Blakbaronie convenar of the said Committie of War.”]

10 July 1644.

Runaways
from army at
York.

The quhilk day, Johne Grainger serjant in the companie of Captane John Hammiltoune callit of Mauchlaine Holl, within the generall of arteilyeries regiment resident in Hammiltoun, and Stewin Barbour sojor in the companie of Captane Sinclair vnder the chancellares regiment resident in Kilbatchane parochin, the saids Johne Grainger and Stewin Barbour being apprehendit be Patrik Thomsonsone and David Plenderlathie bailyeis of Peblis, as runawayes from the airmie at York, hes by thir presentis enactit thameselfes be thair great aithes to returne to the said airmie within fourtene dayes, and that vnder the paine of deathe.

7 January 1645.

Runaway from
Rohmanno.

The quhilk day, in presence of Patrick Thomsonsone ane of the bailyeis of the burgh of Peblis, compeirit Edward Will wobster, induellar in Peblis, runaway from the company of capitane Jobne Murray of Rohmanno lying at Drumfreis, and actit himself to repaire to the said company and cullour quhairever the samen sall happen to be for the tyme betuix the dait heirof and the second day of Februar nixtocum but langer delay, and that vnder the paine of deathe.

23 June 1645.

Pest. Fair
discharged.

The counsell hes ordanit that publicatioun and intimatioun be maid at the mercat croce of this burgh discharging the fair of St Peters day ensewing to be haldin ather within the burgh or ony part outwith the samyn, in respect of the present suspicioun of the plaig of pestilence; and incaise ony cum from Louthiane or ony vther suspect place that the proveist with John Lewis and James Hope [and eleven others] attend the mercat places baith in burgh and in the pairtis about.

9 July 1645.

In presens of James Williamsons proveist of Peblis, Patrick Thomsone and David Plenderlaith bailyeis thairof, compeirit James Halden miller, burges of Peblis, and Thomas Tueddell traveller thair, and becam actis as cautioneres, coniunctlie and seuerallie, for Thomas Tueddell wricht in Edinburgh being this day come furth of Edinburgh suspect of the plague of pestilence to his barne at the style callit Tueddellis style, being be the saidis proveist and bailyeis chargeit to remane within the said barne till sik tyme that the apperance of infectione be past, that the said Thomas Tueddell his wyfe nor nane of his servantes nor familie sall cum furth of the said barne for the space of fourtie dayes nixt heirefter, but sall remane within the said barne and hald the eister and southe doores thairof cloise steikit and lockit, and nawayes come furth thairof, nor haunt nor have companie or resort with any persones quhatsumeur, nor suffer any resort to thame during the said space, and that vnder the pane of fyve hundreth pundis Scottes money and burning of the said berne incaice of failye, and the said James Halden to have the keiping the key of the southe doore of the said barne and be anserable thairfoir during that ilk tyme vnder the said pane, and that no meit nor drink sall be gevin in to thame outwith the presens of ane or tua of the counsell sessione or honest men of the burghe, lykeas the said Thomas Tueddell wricht hes actit him to releive his saidis cautioneres and ather of thame of thair becominge cautioneres for him in maner and to the effect abonewrittin.

Pestilence.

18 July 1645.

Thir persones vndernemit ar appointit to go furth in the expedioun to St Johnstoun, viz : Alexander Dikesone, William Melros, John Robesone, Thomas Grewe, James Watsone, John Hunter seruitour to James Williamsons, John Mackcullour seruitour to Alexander Williamsons, John Carrail seruitour to John Williamsons, Robert Porteous, John Fell.

Expedition to
St Johnstoun.

23 August 1645.

Convenit in the tolbuith of Peblis, the proveist bailyeis and hail counsell thairof, except Patrik Thomsone bailye, and Alexander Lawder absent, expecting the convening of the Committee of War this day, hes vndertane

Committee of
War.

Committee of War. to await vpon the proveist and bailyeis, and to geve thair best advyse quhat anser they sall geve to sick propositiones as salbe proponit be the committie to thame.

27 August 1645.

Inhabitants to await on magistrates. The proveist bailyeis and counsell of Peblis hes statute and ordanit that all and sindrie persones quhatsumeuer, residentis within this burgh, be wairnit be oppin proclamatioun and twk of drum, that they nor nane of thame, vpon quhatsumeuer calls or pretence, pas furth of this burgh to ony vther pairtis, bot to abyde constantlie within this burgh, and await vpon the proveist and bailyeis thairof, baith nicht and day, for thair counsell and advyse anent the preseruatioun of this burgh during the tyme of thir present trubles, and that vnder the pane of death and confiscatioun of thair haill gudis and meanes.

1 September 1645.

Town wall to be repaired. Ordanes John Trumble for Patrik Toddis pairt of the toun wall, and James Scott for his pairt thairof, Johne Plenderlaith for his pairt of the turne, and John Thomsonsone for the vther pairt thairof, to red and big thair pairtis of the samyn, within xlvijij houris, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten pundis, with satisfactioun to the warkmen.

15 December 1645.

Pestilence. The counsell hes ordanit Marioum Vaitche spous to Thomas Hope, with hir bairnes and famelie, and James Thomsonsone his wyff bairnes and famelie, quhais houssis baith ar infectit, to go furth this nicht to tua seuerall ludges in the Grene, and to provyde thame selfis in ilding and vther necessar furnishing, and to tak the samyn with thame, and lykwyis ordanes the thesaurare to clois in Patrik Watsone and Thomas Bennet thair houssis.

5 October 1646.

Election of magistrates and counsellors. The quhilk day, before the electioun forsaid, compeirit maister Theodor Hay person of Peblis, and produceit ane act of the committee of estaittes recommending all magistrattes and vthers within the kingdome who ar to have electioun of the magistrattes of burrowes for the ensewing year that

they mak choise of no persones to be magistrattes, or on the counsell of their burgh, for the year following, who have complied with the rebellis or vnder proces for the samyn, and have not gevin satisfioun to the kirk, as the said act of the dait at Edinburgh, the nyntene of September 1646, *proportis*, togidder with ane act of the commissionares of assemblee appoynting, according to the power committit to everie presbiterie or minister of burgh or ather of them to give ane roll of the complieris vnder proces in their bounds to the meiting of the schyre and to the toune counsell respectivlie that they may the better knaw how to give obedience to the said recommendioun of the committee, and withall to intimat that the commissioun will proceide with the censures of the kirk againes such persones elected and accepting the employment with the greater severitie and diligence, requyreing the presbiteries and ministers afsaid or ather of them to doe their exact diligence theirin and to report accompt therof to the nixt meiting of the commissioun, as the vther act of the dait at Edinburgh the tuentie-ane of September 1646 also beires, and protestit that in respect the saids proveist bailyeis and counsell and inhabitantes of the said burgh was this day to make electioun of magistrattes and counsellors for the yeare following that they should make choise of suche persones to be magistrattes and vpon their counsell as hes not complyit with the rebellis and ar not vnder proces therfore and have gevin satisfioun to the kirk, as they wald be anserable vpon the contrair, and thervpon desyreit act of court.

Election of
magistrats and
counsellors.

12 October 1646.

The proveist bailyeis and counsell convenit, ratifies and apprewes the actis formarlie maid anent the meiting of the counsell in maner forme and tymes following, viz., ilk fyftene dayis vpone Monday at the ringing of the bell and offer as accasioun sall offer, and quhasoever sall not convene immediatlie efter the bell ringing sall pay foure schillingis as *sero*, and quhasoener salbe altogedder absent sall pay ten schillingis; and that nane cum without hattis bot be in decent forme as becummethe counsellouris, vnder the lyk pane of ten schillingis; and that nane of the counsell depart thairfra before the dissolving thairof, vnder the samyn pane.

Meetings of
counsell.

20 *April* 1647.

Silver bell won
by Lord Tra-
quair's servitor.

In presence of William Lowes ane of the bailyeis of Pebles, compeirit personallie William Jonkesone younger burges of Pebles and became actit cawtion for John Stewart servitor to my lord erle of Traquair, quho haveing this day receavit the silver bell of Pebles with tua litle bellis and eight pendicles thairat, that the said John shall redelyver the samyn great bell with the saids tua litle belles and eight pendicles, togidder with his awin additione, betuixt and the thrid day of May nixt, vnder the paine of tua hundreth merkes Scottes money.

30 *August* 1647.

Trouperis and
dragoneris.

Ordanes the officiaris to mak intimatioun to the hail inhabitantis of this burgh that they nor nane of thame ressett ony trouperis or dragoneris without speciall licence and directioun of the magistratis, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten pundis toties quoties.

4 *May* 1648.

Silver bell won
by Lord Ramsay.

Compeirit personallie ane noble and potent lord George lord Ramsay, who haveing with ane gray stoned young hors win the silver bell of Peblis, by running thryce about the stowpes of Whythauch, hes receavit the said bell, haveing appendit therto thrie litle belles and eight pendicles, all wey- and ane pund tuo ounces and ellevine drope weicht of silver, [finds caution that the same will be returned on 4th May next year "with his lordships additione therto."]

15 *May* 1648.

Persons to be
sent to expedi-
tion.

The counsell has continewit the nominatioun of these to be sent furth to this present expeditioun till the morne, at sewin houris in the morning, and to meit at the proveistis hous incais he be not able to cum heir.

17 *May* 1648.

Contributions
for Towns
leives.

The magistrattis and remanent counsell, considdering the leavie moneyis, tuintie dayis provisioun, and airmes, to be gevin to the persones to be sent

furth be this burgh, hes statute and ordanit that everie inhabitant of quhatsumeuer sex degrie or aige sall pay the sowme of fyftie schillingis, and the magistrattis to tak consideratioun of the habilitie of ilk persone; and for ingathering thair of hes appointit [two persones for each of the four "quarters" and two "for the Auld Toun."]

Contributions
for Towns
levies.

26 May 1648.

The names of these of the burgh of Peblis nominat to be sojiris to go furth in this present expeditioun:—Johne Thomsonsone sone in law to Johne Broun merchant, [Here follow the names of forty-four persons], or ony twentie of thame.

Sojiris
nominated.

19 June 1648.

The counsell hes appointit the quartermaisteris efternemit to cuncur with the magistrattis in the quarteringis of fute and horssis, viz.

Quarter-
maisters ap-
pointed.

Item, that quhasumeuer sall geve moneyis to ony sojer, or chift the billet vppone ane nichtbour, sall pay to the thesaurar of this burgh fyve pundis vnforgevyn, and quhasoeuer sall absent or put away thair horssis fra the tounes seruice, they being wairuit the nicht before, sall also pay the said fyne of fyve pundis vnforgevyn.

Billeting
sojiris.

Ordanes Bessie Edmond mother to James Gibsone, and Jonet Robesone mother to John Melros, quha did deliuer tua sojiris in name of thair sones, quibilk sojiris hes now desertit frome thair cullouris, to present thair saidis sones to the major, and the counsall to tak consideratioun anent the repayement to the saidis Bessie and Jonet of the moneyis gewin furth be thame to the saidis sojiris, and in the meane tyme the magistrattis to deal with the major gif wee tak money for the saidis tua persones.

Desertion of
sojiris.

Ordanes the quarter maisteris of the fyftie schillingis to ingather the samyn, vnder the pane of quartering vppone thame for thair negligence.

Contributions
to be gathered.

Ordanes all these that had nane of Murray horssis to contribute with these that had the horssis.

It is resolut that quhasoeuer of the persones inrollit and contenit in the act the xxvj of Maii last salbe or hes bene fugitiue and deficient they and thair

Fugitives.

Fugitives.

parentis salbe punished as deficientis conforme to the act of parliament, and at thair returne sall relewe these quha ar gone out.

It is ordanit be the counsell that whosoever of the counsell shall advyse any of the persones inrolit to goe furth in this leavie to run away, or shall hear of any persones that gives them counsell to fleie or runaway and not reveall the same to the counsell or some of the magistrates, in that caice the persone being a counsellour so giving advyse or not revealing shall goe out himself for such a runaway or fugitive.

6 July 1648.

Picks and musketis.

The counsell haifing tane notice that pickis and musketis hes bene takin frome sindrie of the inhabitantis of this burgh to the sojeris gone furth with Major Somervell in Julij instant, the said persones aucht to be frie thairof, viz., David Plenderlaith bailye, [and three others, each] of ane musket and bandeleans, and William Lowys bailye of ane pyck.

17 July 1648.

The counsell ordanes all these that hes not gevin furth thair muskettis and pickis to mak payment of the pryces thairof, and for that effect the clerk to sereche the rollis.

19 September 1648.

Inhabitants not to leave town.

The hail counsell hes statute and ordanit intimatioun to be maid he tuk of drum throw the town inhibiting all and quhatsumeuer inhabitantis of this burgh, parentis childrene maisteris and servantis, within sextie and abone sextene yeiris, not to pas furth of this burgh or hes past furth thairof sen the first of September instant, bot to abyd thairin to be feyit be advyse of the magistratts and counsell, with certificatioun to these quha failyeis the maister for the servantis and the parentis for the childrene sall supplie thair absence, and incaice of failye banishment of the town for ever.

Inhabitants to be couvened.

Item, to warne the hail inhabitantis quhatsumeuer of this burgh to convene in the tolbnith the morne at sex houris in the morning preceislie, ilk persone absent vnder the pane of fourtie schillingis.

20 September 1648.

The bailyeis counsell and hail inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, except the absentis, convenit in the tolbuith thairof.

Inhabitants
convened.

The persounes vndernemit, with consent of the hail inhabitantis of this burgh, are joynit with the counsell and sworne to give thair advyse and consent anent the outputting of the fute men to General Leslie his airmie, viz., [Here follow the names of sixteen persons] quha being all present and sworne maid faith.

Men to advise
with council.

The names of these quha ar electit to go furth vpon the expeditioun with General Leslie :—[Here follow the names of fifteen persons.]

General
Leslie's
expeditioun.
Assault.

John Cleg burges of Peebles, present, accusit for ryot committit be him vpon Thomas Moses walker thair, grantis he come in to Thomas Moses and miscalled him, conforme to the bill, with a drawin knyfe in his hand, but denyit strykeing. John Wilsone witnes, sworne, depones : Saw John Cleg offer the poynt of ane knyfe to Thomas Moses, swore to put a pair of billoittes throu him and tuik him four or fyve tymes with the blunt end of the knyfe, and that Thomas Moses cuist John Cleg bak over and got on above him and heard him say Thomas Moses did byte his thomb.

22 September 1648.

The counsell, with advyse of the remanent persones joynit with thame, for munitioun and money to be advanceit to these quha pas furth to this present expeditioun, hes modifeit tuentie schillingis to be payit betuixt and the morne at nicht to be payit be ilk persone induellar in the toun, and for collecting and ingathering thairof appointis [two persons for each of the four quarters and two for the "Auld Toun."]

Contribution
for munition.

9 October 1648.

New counsell : My lord erle of Tueddell, my lord Yester, James William-sone proveist, David Plenderlaith and William Lewis bailyeis, John Lewis [and eleven others]. Item, thair is added to thame Johnne Plenderleyth youngar [and three others].

New counsell.

The quhilk day, in presence of the proveist bailyeis and counsell convenit, compeirit William Patersone induellar in Peblis and confest he was addebitit to Alexander Vaitche of Menner the sowme of thric scoir ellewin pundis

English
troopers.

English
troopers.

money for the pryce of scheip and wtheris, quhilk sowme the said counsell arreistit and ordanit the said William Patersone to mak furthcoming to the toun of Peblis in pairt of payment of the skaith sustenit be the toun be the bringing and quartering of the Inglish trouperis vpon the aucht of October instant without ony orderis direct to the toun of Peblis, and that be the said Alexander quha had orderis for quartering of thame himself.

8 *January* 1649.

Picks and
muskets.

Ordanes the quartermasteris appointit for ingathering of the pryces of the pickis and musketis to ingather the samyn in all haist, in respect thair is ane letter writtin be Mr Alexander Hay to the clerk to signifie the samyn to the counsell that the samyn must be payit to my lord Tueddell betuixt and Candilmes nixt.

30 *January* 1649.

Appointment
of school-
master.

The whilk day, Mr. William Purdie, brother german to Mr. Patrik Purdie minister at Newlandes, being receavit and admittit schoolmaster of the scoole of Pebles from the feist and terme of Mertimes last bypast whilk was his entre therto till the terme of Witsunday nixt j^m vj^c fourtie nyne yeares instant, for the sowme of ane hundreth merkis Scottes money of constant rent and ten merkes money forsaid for his chalmer mail to be payit to him at foure termes and quarteris in the year . . . and that for all payment of duetie or casualitie be the proveist baillies or thesaurer of this burgh, together with twelve pennies Scottes money of quarter payment for ilk tounne bairne and thretteine schilling iiij d. money forsaid for ilk landwart bairne quarterlie at the saids foure termes; and the said Mr. William Purdie compeirand personallie and acceptand the said office of schoolmaisterschipe in and vpon him for the stipend forsaid, hes given his oath of fidelitie for discharge of ane honest cairefull, diligent and faithfull duetie in the said office be instructing the youth in the grounds of divinitie and liberall sciences according to his knowledge and their capacitie . . . Lykeas he hes acceptit the injunctiounes injoynt to him in the said service consisting in the articles following, viz.: *Imprimis*, he shall daylie in the weik dayes enter to the said scoole at sex houres in the morning, and after morning prayer and psalmes with ane accompt of the scollers their morning lessounes or pairtes be himself and his doctour teach the lessounes

to the bairnes both learning Latine and Scottis vntill nyne houres thereafter. *Item*, he shall enter himself and doctour and conveane the saids bairnes daylie in the saids weik dayes at ten houres befor noone awaiting vpon them and teaching them till ellevine houres, and therfra teaching and learning them to wryte, geivinge them coppies and takeing compt of their wryteing till twelve houres at noone. *Item*, he shall enter againe to the said scoole, the bairnes being conveanit, at half hour to tuo afternoone daylie, and attend vpon the scoole and scollares, teaching them and takeing compt of their lessounes till ane quarter of ane hour befor six at nicht, dureing the whilk quarter of ane hour he shall make ane prayer reid ane chapter in the Bible and sing ane psalme in a pairt of the psalme booke. *Item*, it shall not be lesum to him to give the bairnes and scollares the play in any dayes of the weik except vpon Tuysday and Thursday betuixt tuo and foure houres after noone and then preceislie to conveane them againe and vpon Sathurday fra tuo houres afternoone for all that nicht. And befor their going from the scoole vpon each Sathurday to give the bairnes learning Scottis each of them ane portioun of psalmes or catechisme and give ane compt therof vpon Sunday thereafter after afternoone sermone. *Item*, each Sunday he shall conveane the saids maill bairnes at eight houres in the morning and teach them ther Sundayes lessounes of scripture and catechising till the ringing of the second bell to the kirk, at whilk tyme he shall goe to the kirk with the scollares in comelie and decent ordour, and in tyme of preaching mark disorderis among them with censuring of them therfor. *Item*, he shall conveane the saids bairnes at ane afternoone and at the ringing of the said second bell address himself with them in maner forsaid. *Item*, at the ending of the afternoone sermone he shall conveane the saids maill bairnes and tak ane compt of their noittes of preaching and of their Sundayes lessounes. *Item*, he shall have his scooll lawes ordourlie sett doune in ane large brod and hung in the scoole for the scolleris informatioun, and for transgressing therof he shall punish them conforme to the nature and qualitie of the law. *Item*, he shall not remove from his charge nor goe furth of the burgh without licence of the magistrates.

Appointment
of school-
master.

11 May 1649.

The haill counsell present hes concludit to go haillilie to my lord Yester and schaw to his lordschip the wrangis done be Sir James Hay to the town,

Wrongs of the
town.

Wrongs of the town.

and in speciall anent the quarterings of the sojeris and trouperis, the wrangis of thair heritages and dimolisching of thair toun wall.

11 *June* 1649.

Town wall.

Hes statute and ordeanit that all and sundrie persones that hes any tenementis or yairdis adjacent to the toun wall of this burghie to repair and build the saids walles sufficientlie and proportionallie to the saids yairdis, and to red and cast away the whole red and earth vpon the outsyde of the saids walles tua ellnes at least thairfra, and that within fourtie aucht houris heirefter, ilk persone failyeand vnder the pane of fyve pundis money but mitigatioun; and publicatioun heirof be maid throuch this toun be touke of drum.

2 *July* 1649.

Brighous market.

The counsell hes concludit that the proveist and bailyeis, accompanyit with ane grit part of the counsell and honest men of the burgh, to go to the vsurpit mercat of Brighous and, seing the samyn is within our liberties, to desyre the buyaris and sellaris to ansner thame of the customes of the gudis to be sauld thairat, and lykwyis to vse thair mercattis at this burgh being the heid burgh of the schyre, conforme to the lawis and custome and our richtis thairto; and quha of the toun sall happin to refus as they ar now nominat, viz., the proveist, bailyeis, thesaurar, dean of gild, Johnne James and Alexander Williamsons, John Plenderlaith, William Vaiche, Robert Thomsone, Jobne Paterson, Johnne Mure, sall pay ane dolar.

16 *July* 1649.

Prayers at meeting.

It is reportit be William Lewis, commissioner to the conventioun of burrows, that it is enactit be the said generall conventioun the president of everie meiting of the counsell of ilk burgh sall say ane prayer baith at the beginning and ending of the said meiting, and in the burgh quhair the president is not able at everie generall conventioun the minister salbe employit to do the samyn.

6 August 1649.

The merchantis vpon the counsell, for thameselffis and remanent merchantis, ar content and enactis thameselffis to build ane seat in the [kirk] directlie fra the new wester loft till the new seat of the magistrattis and counsell, and the passage to be abone the clerkis seat, lyk as Johnne Andro, Johnne Tuedie and John Plenderlaith, obllissis thame to furnisch and lay in tymmer and vther materialis thairto betnixt and the [blank] day of August instant.

Church seat to be built.

22 January 1650.

Alexander Williamse, [being appointed "javelour and keper of the steipill of Pebles and javell houssis thairintill, and keiper guyder and rewler of the knock thairof, and to ring the bellis of the samyn," he] grantis him to have ressavit in his custodie and keiping the lockis kies, yronis and vtheris vnderwritten, viz., the great kie of the lock of the vtter yett of the steipill, in the nether stan yett ane plait lock with ane kie and a great sloatt, the kie of the commoun hous doore and over stair yett with a lock with a brokin kie in the thesaureris hand, the knock hous doore lock and kie, the horologe doore lock and kie, the bell hous doore lock and kie, two hinging lockis, the hespe quhairof of ane is brokin, and the thrid hinging lock in James Williamse thesaureris handis, the lang great goad with schakellis, twa great yron ronnes, ane lowse caice of the knock, ane kie of brokshole with ane slott in the inner syd.

Javelour and knock keeper.

26 April 1650.

In presence of Robert Thomsone baillie in Peblis, compeirit personallie Thomas Williamse and James Watsone burgessis of Peblis and became inactit bund and oblesiste in the counsell buik of Peblis as cawtioneris conjunctlie and seneralle for Mariown Watsone in Peblis, being incarcerit within the steipill of Peblis this half yeir or thairby for allegit suspicioun of witchecraft, that the said Mariown being now vpon supplicatioun releivit out of jewle sould enter and compeir befor the justices or commissioneris of tryell or executioun to vnderly the law, and that vpon tuentie fowr houris warning preceislie, vnder the pane of fyve hundreth merkis to be payit be the saidis cautioneris to the provest and baillies of

Witcheraft.

Witchcraft. Peblis and thair successouris, and that in the meanetye the said Mariown sall keip hir awin hows in silence and nocht be hard with hir nichtbouris, nother resort to kirk or mercate or transgresse to go abroad attowr her awin guther under the pane forsaid.

18 July 1650.

Levy of men. Ordeanes that the nyne men to go out on service to this second levie be furnished with armes, viz. :—sex muskettis, thrie pickis, nyne swordis, and that ewerie persone of the saidis nyne have in money the sowme of twelf pundis by thair armes, and that it be brokin throw the town, and ewerie persone in the towne, except the magistrattis, pay xxiiij s. scotis.

7 October 1650.

Watch for the
enemy's
approach.

The provest baillies counsell and a great pairt of the burgessis of Pebles convenit in the towne of Peblis ordeanes to keip nichtlie a strict watche, sex at the north port and the remanent at the vther portis proportionallie, with armes, to advertis the town of the enemies approache; ane of the town counsell nichtlie to be on the watche.

24 October 1650.

Scowt watche. The provest baillies counsell and a great number of the burgessis and inhabitantis of the said brucht convenit.

Ordaines a scowt watche to be keptit nightlie, and that twa horsmen be sent owt, and that ewere ane of the twa watches sall have nightlie xx s. scottis monei quhilk is to be brokin throwch the inhabitantis proportionallie, and that ane of the scowtis ryd to David Heislope hows and the vther scowt to ryd to Gladhows milne dayle and report newes anent the motiown of the enemie, vtherwyes no payment for them; and gif the scowtis sall neglect thair ordour that they be punished at the magistrattis discretioun with advyce of the counsell.

Nominattis for the scowt to ryd, *per vices*, twa of them nichtlie, thes perones: William Patersone [and eight others].

Quartering.

The counsell and inhabitantis nominatis for quartering, with assistance of the magistrattis, the trowperis and sojeris herefter to be quarterit in the

town of our countie sojeris : [two persons for each of the east, south west and north west quarters northgait and Old Town]. Quartering.

Statutes and ordanes that na persone or personis quhatsumewir within brucht in na tyme heirefter ressett vther mens guddis or put owt thair nightbouris to the enemie, vnder the pane of perjure and banishment and also payment of thair nightbouris lose, and discharges bying of any guddis of thair nightbouris or conceall vnder the lyk pane, and that na inhabitantis steill or plunder in tyme of tumultis or vther tymes vnder the lyk panes. Stealing and plundering.

And sicklyk in all quarterings of our awin trowperis and sojeris that everie inhabitant furnisch thes that salbe quarterit on them on thair awin meines and cherges, and that this act be intimat throw the town be touk of drum. Quartering.

29 May 1651.¹

James Williamsons proveist of Pebles, [two bailies and four councillors], conveyit in the said proveist his hall and duelling hous at Pebles, hes creat and receavit Thomas Smyth, notar, clerk of the said burgh of Pebles, dureing the proveist baillies and counsell their pleasure; the said Thomas being personalie present acceptand the samyn vpon him, being sworne be the said proveist, hes gevin his oath de fidei administratione, etc. Election of clerk.

6 June 1651.

Ordeanes and appoyntes the persones vndernameit to try in their severall divisions how many of Twisiltounes troope wer quarterit therein, viz., and to report their diligence the nixt counsell day. Twisiltounes troope.

Ratifies and approves the formar act of the dait the 24 of October last anent resetting and buying of thair neichbores goods from the enemie, and that all such buyeris or ressterses shall redeliver such goods to the awneres without any satisfioun or payment. Resetting and buying neighbours goods.

The counsell hes ordeanit the mortificatioun vnderwritten to be insert in thair counsell book, the tenour wherof followes: Be it kend to all men be thir present letteres, we Marie and Issobell and Margaret Twedies, lauffull daughters and aires serveit to vmquhile John Tuedy schereff clerk of Pebles Mortification by Marie Isobell and Margaret Twedies.

¹ Between 1st November 1650 and this date there are no entries in the Council Record.

Mortification
by Marie
Issobell and
Margaret
Tuedies.

our father befor the baillies of Pebles the day of Apryle j^m vj^c fourtie
nyne yeares, as also as aires portioneres duclie serveit to vnquhile Thomas
Tuedy of Whythauche our brother befor the schereff of Pebles
. . . . Forsameikle as we the saids Marie Issobell and Margaret Tuedies
as aires forsaidis, with advyce and consent of William Lowes lait baillie and
burges of Pebles spous to me the said Issobell Tuedy for his enteres, have
out of godlie zeall pietie and conscience resolved to dote and mortifie the landes
and vtheres vnderwrittin, being moved herevnto of our awin frie motive will
for sundrie godlie considerationes tuiching ws : Therfor [wit ye us] to have
given grantit doted and mortified, lykeas we be the tenour hereof give
grant dote and freelie mortifie, in all tyme comeing for evir to the augmen-
tatioun of the scoolmaisteris fie and stipend of the scoole of the burgh of
Pebles for educationn of the youth and children of the said burgh and
scherefdome of Pebles and traineing them vp in learning and vertew, vnder
the provisiones alwayes afterspecificet, all and hail thes our three fourt
partes of the lands of Frankisland with the pertinents. . . . and sielyke
all and hail thes our three fourt partes of the lands in Dalatho ewest the
burgh of Pebles. . . . and sielyke all and hail thes barnes tenementes
and houssis with the yairdes perteaning thairto lyand in the Northgait of
the said burgh of Pebles ewest the North Port . . . Provyding alwayes [that
"Sir Michaell Nasmyth of Posso knicht and William Tuedy of Wrea
our cuisignes, and William Lowes," who where requested to set the
lands and others and to bestow the mails and duties upon the
schoolmaster as part of his stipend,] or any tuo of them have voices
in and consenting to the ellectione of the saids scoolmaisteres, vther-
wayes if they shalbe denyed to have voyces and consent that dureing
that tyme the saids mailles duties and fermes shalbe offerit employed
bestowed and given to the sessione of Pebles, whilkes the said sessione
shall termlic be the advyce of the said Sir Michaell Nasmyth William
Tuedy and William Lowes, or any tuo of them or their forsaidis, distribute
to the honest poore persones of the parochie of Pebles burgh and land
dureing the tyme that the said gentlemen and their forsaidis not haveing
voices in the ellectione of the said schoolmaister and vaiking of the
said scoole throw wanting of ane qualified scoolmaister. . . . [Dated 21
July 1649.]

6 October 1651.

The counsell nominattes the persones vndernameit, viz., [two persons for each of the four quarters and Old Town] in assisting and concurring with the magistrattes of this burgh for quartering of souldiores as occurs.

Quartering soldiers.

8 December 1651.

The said counsell ordaines the hail pickis and muskatis bought be the town from my lord Yester to be searchit and sene betuixt and the nixt counsell day.

Picks and muskets.

The counsale thinkis fit that Robert Thomsoun with any wther go in to lovtennent generall Lambert and regrait the lossis which was committit be the Inglis armie, for preventing of locall quartering, and repeyt to thame the burdene of coall candell, and to tak in instrucciones.

Loss by English army.

26 December 1651.

The counsell hes concludit and ordeanes thies persones who receavit the armes conforme to the roll and had them in their possession and not gevin out to leavies, whither plunderit be theemie or not, to pay the full pryces of the samyn, and they to be exemptit in contributeing for the armes gevin out be publict ordour, and thies armes gevin out be ordour to leavies to be payit be the inhabitantes outputteres therof and their contributeres (exceptand as is befor exceptit) whose proportiounes ar to be payit out of the tounes rent.

Arms.

Appoyntes the persones vndernameit to trye what persones within the toune hes gevin out the armes to leavies by publict ordour, and who wer contributteres with them and who reteinit the same in thair possession, as also to collect and ingather the pryces of the saidis armes from the inhabitantes conforme to the forsaid act, viz : [two persons for each of the four quarters and Old Town], and to report vpon Moonday nixt.

29 December 1651.

Appoyntes Robert Thomsonsone lait baillie to goe in to Edinburgh to leivtenant generall Lambert and regrait the lossis susteanit be the toune by the Englisch armie, conforme to the supplicatioun and instrucciones formarlie gevin in.

Town's losses.

Carrying com-
missions and
letters.

It is concludit be the counsell that thes inhabitantes within the toune who hes horses furnish and give their hors, and thes who wantes hors to furnish footmen vpon thair awin charges ordorlie as is aftermentionat without exemptionn of any persones, viz., the north west quarter first, the southwest quarter nixt, the Old Toune thrid, the east quarter fourth and north quarter fyft, for carieing of commissiounes letteres or doing of vtheres buissines for the vtilitie of the toune, ilk persone contraveinand wnder the paine of fyve pundes *toties quoties* vnforgiven and wairding of their persones till the samyn be payit.

Picks and
muskets.

Appoyntes the proveist baillies and William Lowes to speik Williame Lyle of Bassendean anent the pickes and muskettes.

Item, to wryte to my lord Tueiddaill anent the pickes and musketts; baillie Andro and William Lowes to meit after noone thairanent.

Leading stoncs
from Cademur.

Appoyntes John Lowes proveist to speake the herdes of Kaidmure anent the stoncs led off their lands of Caidmure be John Scott of Hundilshope or his tementis, and if they at any tyme heirafter leid any mae stanes that they advertise the proveist, and wpon advertisment the proveist with foure or fyve of the counsell with ane notar to stop them and take instruments.

Anent repara-
tion of the
church.

The counsell, takeing in consideratioun the overtures proponit anent the reparatioun of the church and representit to them be John Andro baillie, William Lowes and John Tuedie younger, in ansuer wherto they ar most willing (according to the old formar custome) to repare the tuo westmost windowes and the fabrick of the said churche; item, they ar willing to repare and vphold their part of the churche according as the burgh of Selkirk which is ane more able burgh than this; item, they find it is incumbent to the titular to repare ane part of the church as his predecessores wer wont to doe, and if they wer takismen as otheres ar they ar most willing to vndergoe their proportioun conforme.

12 January 1652.

Monthly
Assessment.

Appoyntes the persones vndernameit for proportionating the second monethes assessment, viz., [two persons for each of the four quarters and Old Town], and to concure with the magistrattes for quartering of the souldiores that shall come to the toune.

22 *March* 1652.

Appoyntes David Plenderlaith, John Plenderlaith and John Tuedy younger to speak my lord Lintoun and Sir John Vaitche anent the few dueties of Innerlethan and anent the Eist Wark which is lyklike to fall, and to report.

Innerleithen,
East Wark.

2 *April* 1652.

The counsall, takeing in consideratioun how the buriall place of the dead is trode vpon be beastes by reasone of the want of ane . . . dyke round about the same, (whilk is also takin in consideratioun be the heritores in the landwart parochie), the counsall for their part enactes and ordeanes that all the inhabitantes within this burgh haveing hors leid each hors six loades of clay, beginnand vpon Moonday nixt for the first quarter, and so furth each day thereafter throw the quarteres of the toune, and appoyntes overseeris for the quarters, viz. . . . ilk persone falyeand to pay tue[ve schillings] Scots vnforgevin; and thcs persones who wants hors [in the] generall quarteris eache familie be themselves or their servantes to carie and bear stones be the space of three houres to the said dyke the dayes befor appoyntit vnder the lyke pane, and the quartermaisteris befor nameit to sie it fulfillit.

Buriall place.

12 *April* 1652.

Produceit be John Tuedie younger ane discharge subscriit be my lord earle of Tueiddaill of the principall sowme of 895 merkes whilk was adebitit be the counsall of Pebles to his lordschip for certane armes receavit be the inhabitantes of the said toune conforme to ane band; whilk discharge is deliverit to the present thesaurer and layd vp be him in the chartor chist.

Earle Tueid-
daillis dis-
charge.

Produceit be John Andro baillie charge and discharge of Januar and Februares last assessment, as also the discharge of j^c fourtie pundes receavit from the schyre for coal and candle for sevine weekes preceeding the first of Marche last, whilk he hes deliverit to thes inhabitantes vpon whom the souldiores wer quarterit, and thairfor the counsell discharges him of his intronission therwith.

Assessment,
coal and
candle.

30 *April* 1652.

Fair days.

The proveist baillies and counsell, considering that the prophanatioun of the Sabbath is occasioned by keeping of faires vpon Satterday and Moonday, have resolved to change all such faires within this burgh that formarlie wer kept vpon Moonday or shall hereafter happin to fall vpon Satterday or Moonday, and therfor appoyntes and ordeanes the faire day of this burgh commonlie callit Trinitie Moonday to be kept and holdin this present year vpon Tuesday nixt and imediatlie thairefter following, and so furth all otheres faires that shall hereafter happin to fall vpon Satterday or Moonday to be kept in all tyme comeing vpon Tuesday nixt immediatlie thairafter following.

10 *May* 1652.

Purs cutter.

Ordeanes James Campbell purs cutter to stand at the croce the morne from ellevine to tuelve hores bound with a tow to the stalk of the croce, and ane paper on his head, for cutting James Johnstoun in Dawik his purs on the second day of Majj instant.

13 *December* 1652.

Expense of
quartering a
regiment.

Alexander Lawder to produce ane compt of the groattes auchtand be the heritouris in the landwart paroche for quartering Twisiltoune's regiment, this day 8 dayes, to the effect the same may be payit to the inhabitantes, losers thereof.

11 *April* 1653.

Quartering
soldiers.

Appoyntes the persones vndernameit, together with the baillies, to conveane and call befor them the landlordes within this burgh who quarterit Capitane Deane and Capitane Colmes' troopes, and tak vp ane exact compt of their quarterings and the monie receavit; and to break the lossis vpon the haill toune, viz., [two persons for each of the east, south-west, north-west and north quarters, and two for the Old Town]; to meit vpon Thursday nixt, in the morning; the landlords to give oath vpon their compts.

21 *September* 1653.

Increase of
monthly
assessment.

In respect ther is added monethlie to the toune's assessment tuentie-four punds more then was before; therfor, and for preventing of quartering, the

counsell ordeanes the inhabitantes to pay the same proportiones they payed in the moneth of Julij last, and the theasurer to pay twelve pundes, which, with what is already collected from the inhabitantes, will compleit the moneth's assessment of Julij and August last by past, being monethlie thrie-scoire pundes, with certificatioun to them that failyeaes, trooperes will be quartered vpon them.

Increase of
monthly
assessment.

2 September 1657.

The counsell finding by act of parliament that ther is imposed vpon the toun twelve pundes nyne shillings nyne pence sterling, as their part of the fyfteine thowsand pundes sterling imposed vpon the natioun for the Spanishe war, therfor they resolve and ordeane that the twelve pundes sterling of abaitmentes conteaned in the formar act [abating monthly assessment] be converted for payment of the said sowme for the Spanish war, and the thesaurer to advance the od nyne shillings nyne pence sterling.

Contribution
towards
expenses of
Spanish War.

8 September 1657.

That pairt of Captane Blissett's troope come to Peebles; removed 17th October 1657.

Movements
of troops.

22 October 1657.

That pairt of Captane Turnour's troop, in Lilburne's regiment, come to this burgh; removed Weddensday, 19th May 1658.

24 September 1658.

The forsaid partie entered to their winter quarter; removed Sunday, 8th May 1659.

26 May 1662.

Ordeanes Thursday nixt, the 29th of May, being his Majestie happie Restoratioun day, to be observed and kept, conforme to the act of parliament in all poynts, and intimatioun therof to be made throw the toun.

Restoration.

24 *July* 1665.

The plague in
London.

In obedience of ane act of his Majestie's privie counsell, 12 Julii instant, bearing that the sicknes and plague in London is daylie increasceing and breaking out in severall places of the kingdome of England, do thairfor, in his Majesties name, prohibit and discharge the inhabitants of this burgh to trade or commerce with the inhabitants or merchants of England till the first November nixt, and ay and whill this restraint be taken off, or to pas out-with this schyre without a testimoniall from the magistratts, or returne without a testimoniall from the sheriff, justice of peace, or magistratts, that the place wher they wer is frie of any suspicione of the plague; and that no inhabitant resett or receive in ludging any strangers without sufficient testimoniall, vnder the paine of losing their lyves and goods, conforme to the said act; and ordeanes the inhabitantes to be readie to guard and wache the portes, toure about, as they shalbe ordered be the magistratts; and intimation hereof, etc.

29 *March* 1670.

Town wall.

Ordeanes Gawin Thomsone, thesaurer, to poynt and mend the hoilles of the outsyde of the town wall betuixt the Eist Port and the turne of the wall, befor the beginning the beir seed. And ordeanes all burgessis haveing heidrowmes bordering to the town wall to mend and repair their parts of the wall betuixt and Lambnes nixt with lyme and stone, vnder the penaltie of fyve pundes, ilk persone contraveinand, besyde the performance.

28 *November* 1681.

Administering
the test.

The which day, William Plenderleith proveist, John Hope baillie, and John Govan thesaurer, produced ane act of his Royal Highnes and lords of his majestie's privy counsell, proceeding upon ane supplication given in be them for themselves and in name of the remanent magistrats and counsell of the said burgh, of the dait the twenty-fourth day of November j^m vj^c fourscore one yeirs, whereby his royall highnes and the saids lords of his maiestie's privy counsell, in regaird that the said proveist baillies and thesaurer had taken and signed the test befor one of the counsell's number

commissionat for that effect, does authorize and commissionat them to administrat the said test to the remanent magistrats counsellors and clerk of the said burgh, and to sie them tak and signe the samen, and appoints them to report ane accompt thair of to the counsell, betuixt and the thrid Thursday of December neixt. In obedience to quwhich commission, the said William Plenderleith, proveist, haveing caused wairne the counsellors to meit within the Tolbuith of Peebles this day in order to thair administration of the said test to them, and who being accordingly mett the said proveist did interrogat them thairanent, as followes—viz., John Hay baillie, who wes content to tak it; William Scott dean-of-gild, who refused it; James Halden, who wes content to take it; John Borrowman, who wes content to tak it; Alexander Jonkisone, who refused it; William Hislope, who wes content to tak it; James Greive, who refused it; Adam Lytle, who wes content to tak it; Archibald Sheill, who refused it; John Jonkisone, who wes content to tak it; Thomas Chisholme, who wes content to tak it; William Wyllie deacon of the weavers, who wes content to tak it; Thomas Hope, who wes content to tak it; and John Tod, who took it.

Administering
the test.

1 *March* 1682.

The counsell haveing considered the abuses and afronts committed against the magistrats this day by William Porteous, in saying openly that the proveist would be lyk Proveist Dickisone who wes sticked; and Thomas Stoddart, Alexander Jonkisone, John Tweiddy, Andrew Halden, and several vthers, who opposed the magistrats in a fenced court quhen they were rouping the common grass in obedience to ane act of counsell, and the vther insolent and uncivil languadge of the saids Andrew Halden and William Porteous, they did put the saids Andrew Halden and William Porteous under areist in the Tolbuith

Abuses against
the magistrates

18 *October* 1682.

Patrick Brotherstaines merchand, being accused for not frequenting the church since September last, confest he wes only once in the kirk since, and therefor is found guilty of absence for six Lord's dayes, and therefor fynes

Compulsory
church attend-
ance.

Compulsory church attendance.

him in twelve pounds Scots, and ordaines him to ly in prison quhill he pay it.¹

21 April 1684.

Compulsory attendance at burials.

The counsell allows the magistrats, upon any invitation to considerable persones burials, to wairne ten of the most substantial burgessis to attend them to goe to the saids burials, als weil those that wants horses as those that hes, and ilk absent to be fyned in half a merk, and to be poynded thairfor, and this act to goe orderly round the town.

29 September 1684.

List of town council.

John earle of Tweiddale and John lord Hay of Yester, extraordinary. William Plenderleith, provost; John Govan, Adam Lytle, bailies; James Halden, dean of guild; Thomas Hope, treasurer; John Hope, William Scott, James Greive, John Hay, John Borrowman, Alexander Jonkisone, William Hislope, John Tod, Thomas Hope, John Jonkisone, James Horsbrugh, Patrick Govan, councillors.

Taking the test.

The proveists, baillies, thesaurer, and dean of gild, being new elected, took, upon ther knees, the test and subscriuet the samen.

26 October 1685.

The carrier's badge.

The counsell have this day payed eight pounds for a badge of silver, quibich they have given to Robert Hamilton, dureing his continuancy of carying, to be maid furthcoming to the town quhenever he failles to travel.²

27 September 1686.

This day the proveist produced a letter from the Privy Counsell discharging

¹ Numerous cases of the like nature occur in the court book at this period. In some instances the charge of non-attendance is met by the plea of sickness or other necessary cause of absence, and a promise to 'keep the kirk in time coming;' and in others the parties are found 'orderly and absolved.' The main object of enforced attendance in the parish kirk appears to have been the prevention of 'conventicles' and other non-conformist gatherings.

² Along with the records and charters recently discovered, there was found a silver arm-plate, on which the Burgh arms were engraved. That this plate is the 'badge' referred to in the text there seems no reason to doubt, from the material and apparent age of the plate, and also from the fact of there having been attached to it a card, on which were written the words 'Town carrier,' adhibited probably when that office gave place to a more modern institution, and the badge was laid aside.

the electiones for this yeir till forder order, quhairof the tenor followes :— Affectionat friends, whereas his Majestie hes, by his royall letter daitit at the Court of Windsore the tuelfth day of September instant, signified that all electiones in royal burrowes be suspended until his royall pleassour be knowne thairanent, you are therfor in persuance thairof heirby expressly prohibited and discharged, as ye will ansuer att your perrill, to elect any new magistrats or counsell within your burgh for this yeir; and you and the present counsell are by his Maiesties autoritie heirby authorized to continow and exerce as magistrates and counsell untill his Maiestie sall signify his further pleassour. Signed att command and in name of his Maiestie's privy counsell, by your affectionate friend. *Sic. subr.* PERTH, cancell, I. P. D., Edr., 16th Sept., 1686.

Election of
new council
discharged.

27 February 1689.

Whereas the lords and gentlemen of the kingdome of Scotland met at Whytehall the tenth day of January last, at desyre of his highness then Prince of Orange, now King of England France and Ireland and dominions and territories thereto belonging, did give his highnes hearty thanks for his pious and generous undertakings for preserving the protestant religione and the lawes and libertyes of these kingdoms, and in order to the attaining these ends did desyre and advyse his highnes to take upon him the administratione of publict affairs both civil and military, the disposall of the publict revenewes and fortresses of this kingdome, and the doing every thing that is necessary for the preservation of the peace of the samen untill a generall meeting of the states of the natione, which they humbly desyred his highnes to call to be holden at Edinburgh the fourteenth day of March nixt; and his highnes being desyrus to doe every thing that may tend to the good and happines of this kingdome, hes therfor by his letter direct to the toun clerk of the burgh of Peebles, dated at St. James's the fifth day of February j^m vj^e eighty nyne, appoynting the said meeting of the Estats of this kingdome at Edinburgh the said fourteenth day of March j^m vj^e eighty nyne years, in persuance and according to the tenor of the said adyce, requyre the said toun clerk upon the receipt of the forsaid letter to make publict intimatione of the same upon the first mercat day at the mercat cross of the royall burgh of Peebles in the usual maner, and to appoint a day, to be at least fyve dayes after the said intimation, for the hail bur-

Commission to
convention of
estates.

Commission to
convention of
states.

gesses to meet and choice ther commissioners to the said meeting of the estaits at Edinburgh the forsaid day, for securing of the protestant religion and restoring of the lawes and libertyes of this kingdome according to his highnes declarations, and ordering a coppie of the said letter and intimatione conteaning the said day of electiones to be left affixt on the said croce, the burgesses and commissioners being protestants, without any other reservation or limitation: [In obedience whereto William Williamsons, town clerk, having received the said letter on 17th February, intimated the same as directed and appointed this day for the election; according to which letter and intimatione] we the hail protestant burgesses of the said burgh of Peebles, who have testified ourselves to be burgesses by producing to the said William Williamsons, clerk, extracts of our burges tickets furth of the records of this burgh, being this day convened by the authority forsaid, by the plurality of our voices have elected John Mure merchaut, burges of the said burgh of Peebles, (whome we testife to be a protestant fearing God) our commissioner to the said convention of estats.

13 *January* 1692.

Call to Mr.
William Veitch
to be minister
of Peebles.

The magistrats and counsell nominats and appoints John Mure late proveist of Peebles, and Archibald Sheill baillie ther, to goe to Edinburgh and attend the general assembly, and to act in thair name for making effectuall the call givin be them and the rest of the heritors of the parish of Peebles to Mr. William Veitch to be minister of Peebles, and to doe everything requisit and necessar thairament sicklyk and in the samen manner as they themselves might doe if they were all personally present. ¹

29 *June* 1702.

Oaths of
allegiance and
assurance to
Queen Anne.

The provest baillies dean of guild thesaurer and counsell of Peebles, with their clerk procuratouris and officeris, under subscribers, conveyed for taking the oath of alleadgance and assurance to her Majestie Queen Anne, in obedience to ane proclamacione of counsel, dated the twenty-fourth of March last j^m vij^c and two yeiris, suore the said oath of alleadgance as followes :— We doe sincerely promise and suear that we will be faithfull and bear true alleadgance to her Majestie Queen Anne. So help us God. [Here follow the signatures.] Follows the Assurance :—We doe, in the sincerity of our

¹ Veitch was the first minister of Peebles under the Revolution settlement.

heart, assert acknowledge and declair that her Majestic Qween Anne is the only laufull undoubted Sovereigne of this realme, alseweill *de jure* that is of right, Qween, as *de facto* that is in the possessione and exercise of the government; and therefore, we doe sincerely and faithfully promise and engadge that we will, with heart and hand, lyfe and goods, mentain and defend her Majestic's 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 Majestic in the possessione and exercise therof. [Here follow the signatures.]

Oaths of
allegiance and
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Queen Anne.

24 October 1706.

Nominatis provest Tweedie commissioner for this burgh to the generall convention of royall burrowes to meet at Edinburgh the twenty-nynth day of October instant, in pursuance of ane act of the saidis royall borowes, dated the eight of Jully last, recommending to Sir Sammwel McClellan, present provest of Edinburgh, to call the said convention incase the great concerne of the Union with England should happen to be laid befor and considered by the parliament, and a letter from the said Sir Sammwel McClellan direct to them theranent; and appoyntis the clerk to extend his commission accordingly.

Union with
England.

14 April 1708.

The magistrats and counicile of Peebles, being conveyened, have resolved to elect Collonell George Douglas, brother germane to the earle of Mortoun, commissioner to the first British Parliament nixt to sitt, so far as their vote can make him, and resolves and authorises the persone who shall represent them as one of the four burghs in order to elect a member to the parliament forsaid, to vote for the said Collonell George Douglas for their pairt and non other, the counsell adhering to him allennerly, he standing by church and state as now established, serveing gratis, and walking by instructions.

Proposed
member of the
first British
parliament.

24 May 1708.

The counsell being befor qualified by taking and subscriyving the oath of abjuration conforme to the act of parliament of Great Britain, have chosen Robert Forrester present provost of Peebles, their commissioner to

Commissioner
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choose a
member of
parliament.

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parliament.

meet with the other commissioneris of the burghs of the district at Linlithgow, now the presiding burgh of their district, upon the twenty-six day of May instant, and then to choose their burges for the parliament of Great Brittain to be held at Westminster on the eight day of July next, and authorizes the proveist to vote for Collonell Douglas for their pairt, and the clerk to extend his commission.

1 November 1710.

Member of
parliament for
the shire.

The magistrates and counsell of this burgh, considering that the provosts of this burgh have allwayes been in use as barronis and freeholderis of Sheillgreen or Cademure, or other landis quhairunto the toune hes right, to meet and vote for a commissioner to bygone parliaments, with the other barronis and freeholderis of this shyre, and that ther is a meeting of the saids barronis, upon the third day November instant, for choosing a knight to represent this shyre of Peebles in the ensewing parliament to be held at the city of Westminster upon the twenty-fyft day of November next; doe nominat and appoint John Broune, present provost of Peebles, as baron of Sheillgreen or Caidmure, to meet with the other barronis of the said shyre, and there vote for a knight to represent the shyre of Peebles in the said ensewing parliament; and ordanes the clerk to extend his commissiione, and this shall be his warrand.

APPENDIX.

No. I.

RENTAL of the prebendary of the altar of St Mary, in the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peebles.

COPIA rentalis prebendarii altaris Sancte Marie extracta per me Joannem Tuedie, notarium publicum, de extractu et vera copia erectionis ecclesie collegiate beate Andrie de Peblis quondam Joannis Allane, notarii publici ac communis scribe de Peblis, sub [ejus] signo et subscriptione manualibus ; cum quo extractu et hec copia tenet in omnibus.

Prebenda quarta, que intitulabitur prebenda Sancte Marie maioris, cuius possessori spectabunt fructus sequentes:—Inprimis, vnum tenementum soluens xl s. jacentem in lie Northgait occidentali parte eiusdem, inter terras Thome Turnet, ex boreali parte, et terras Sancti Christophori australi parte, et terras Davidis Robisoun occidentali parte ; Item, vna roda terre nominata le Yairdland jacens apud borealem partem dicti burgi et prope aquam de Peblis ;

COPY of the rental of the prebendary of the altar of St Mary extracted by me John Tuedie, notary public, from the extract and true copy of the erection of the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peblis by the deceased John Allan, notary public and common clerk of Peblis, under his sign and subscription manual ; with which extract and copy this agrees in all things.

The Fourth Prebend, which is called the prebend of St Mary major, to whose possessor belongs the following rents :—First, a tenement yielding forty shillings in the Northgait on the west side thereof between the lands of Thomas Turnet on the north side, the lands of St Christopher on the south side, and the lands of David Robisoun on the west side ; Item, a rood of land called the Yardland, lying on the north side of the said burgh and near the water of Peiblis ; Item, an acre of land

Item, vnam acram terrarum jacentem prope ecclesiam Sancti Andree austrae parte eiusdem infra terras beate Marie de Geddes ile ; Item, vna roda terrarum nominata Marie Virginis roda jacentem in boreali parte terrarum de Dalatho ; Item, iiij s. annui redditus magni tenementi Sancti Michaelis ; Item, xvij s. iiij d. terrarum Davidis Robisoun jacentium in lie Briggait, inter terras Joannis Hog orientali parte et Domini Joannis Dikesoun occidentali parte ; Item, iiij s. terrarum Joannis Steinsoune australi parte vie regie, inter terras Patrici Wilsoun occidentali parte et Willielmi Bell orientali parte ; Item, iiij s. terrarum Joannis Johnnestoun jacentium apud finem orientalem dicti burghi, ex parte australi vie regie eiusdem ; Item, vj s. viij d. terrarum Willielmi Bell jacentium australi parte vie regie, inter terras Domini Roberti Hoip occidentali et Archibaldi Lewis orientali partibus ; Item, v s. terrarum Joannis Hay jacentium australi parte vie regie inter terras Thome Foster orientali et Joannis Greif occidentali parte ; Item, ij s. terrarum Willielmi Lewis jacentium australi parte vie regie adversus capellam sancte Marie ; Item, vj s. annui redditus terrarum Andree Allexander jacentium boreali parte vie regie, inter terras Sancti Michaelis orientali, et Roberti Patersoun occidentali partibus ; Item, iiij s. terrarum Jacobi Dikesoun jacentium in boreali

lying near the church of St Andrew on the south side thereof, within the lands of St Mary of Geddes Ile ; Item, a rood of land, called St Mary's Rood, lying on the east side of the lands of Dalatho ; Item, four shillings of annualrent from the great tenement of St Michael ; Item, eighteen shillings and four pence from the land of David Robisoun lying in the Briggait, between the lands of John Hog on the east part and Sir John Dikisoun on the west part ; Item, four shillings from the land of John Stevenson on the south side of the highway, between the lands of Patrick Wilsoun on the west, and William Bell on the east parts ; Item, four shillings from the land of John Johnnestoun lying at the east end of the said burgh, on the south side of the highway thereof ; Item, six shillings and eight pence from the land of William Bell lying on the south side of the highway, between the lands of Sir Robert Hoip on the west and of Archibald Lewis on the east parts ; Item, five shillings from the land of John Hay lying on the south side of the highway, between the lands of Thomas Foster in the east and John Greif on the west parts ; Item, two shillings from the land of William Lewis, lying on the south side of the highway opposite the chapel of Saint Mary ; Item, six shillings of annualrent from the land of Andrew Alexander, lying on the north side of the highway between the lands of Saint Michal on the east and Robert Paterson on the west part ; Item, four shillings from the land of James Dikesoun lying on the north side of the highway, between the

parte vie regie, inter terras Willielmi Geddes occidentali et Martini Gledstanes orientali partibus; Item, xv s. annui redditus tenementi Archidiaconi Glasguensis jacentis in antiqua villa de Peblis; Item, iij s. terrarum Ecclesie Sancte Crucis annui redditus nominatarum Gilliesland jacentium in occidentali parte vie regie de Northgait, inter terras Joannis Hoip australi, et Roberti Hislope boreali partibus; Item, ij s. de tenemento Caverhill nominato jacente in antiqua villa de Peblis adversus tenementum Archidiaconi vna cum toto illo tenemento de Caverhill; Item ij s. de Smaillisland jacente in antiqua villa de Peblis, australi parte vie regie eiusdem; Item, ij s. terrarum Roberti Hislope jacentium in occidentali parte de Northgait, inter terras ecclesie Sancte Crucis australi et Georgii Young boreali partibus; Item, iij s. annui redditus de horto Domini Eduardi Patinsoum jacente in le Nedder Briggait; Item, vj s. annui redditus nominati Gledstanesland jacente boreali parte vie regie prope terras Sanctorum Petri et Pauli ex parte occidentali; Item, ij s. annui redditus terrarum Mathei Elphingstoun in lie Northgait; Item, vj s. viij d. terrarum Willielmi Hanyng in fine orientalis partis vie crucis burgi et boreali parte vie regie eiusdem, inter terras Joannis Newtoun orientali et Thome Smyth occidentali partibus; Item, v s. annui redditus terrarum

lands of William Geddes on the west and Martin Gledstanes on the east parts; Item, fifteen shillings of annualrent from the tenement of the archdeacon of Glasgow lying in the old town of Peeblis; Item, four shillings of annualrent from the land of the church of Holyrood named Gilliesland, lying on the west side of the highway of the Northgait, between the lands of John Hoip on the south and Robert Hislope on the north parts; Item, two shillings from the tenement called Caverhill, lying in the old town of Peblis, opposite the tenement of the Archdeacon, together with the whole tenement of Caverhill; Item, two shillings from Smaillisland, lying in the old town of Peblis on the south side of the highway thereof; Item, two shillings from the land of Robert Hislope lying on the west side of the Northgait, between the lands of the church of Holyrood on the south and George Young on the north parts; Item, four shillings of annualrent from the yard of Sir Edward Patinsoum lying in the Nedder Briggait; Item, six shillings of annualrent from the land called Gledstanesland, lying on the north side of the highway near the lands of Saints Peter and Paul on the west side; Item, two shillings of annualrent from the land of Mathew Elphingstoun in the Northgait; Item, six shillings and eight pence from the land of William Hanyng, at the east end of the Crossgate of the burgh and south side of the highway thereof, between the lands of John Newtoun on the east and Thomas Smyth on the west

Alexandri Kirk jacentium in via crucis borealis ex australi parte vie regia eiusdem ; Item de communia per predicesores nostros xl s. ; Item, de rebus nostris communibus, annuatim sex libras monetæ, ad duos anni terminos soluendas per thesaurarium nostrum. Idemque prebendarius in grammatica gregorium [cantum et] discantum eruditus bone et sancte conversionis ad nostram donationem, admissionemque preposito et capituli. Extractum de prefata erectione per me Joannem Tuedie notarium publicum, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. Sic subscribitur : Ita est, Joannes Tuedie, clericus Glasguensis diocesis, regie auctoritate notarius publicus, manu propria, testantibus his meis signo et subscriptione manualibus.

parts ; Item, five shillings of annualrent from the land of Alexander Kirk lying in the street at the Market Cross, on the south side of the highway thereof ; Item, from the common land by our predecessors, forty shillings ; Item, from our common good, six pounds of money yearly, to be paid at two terms in the year by our treasurer. And the said prebendary who must be learned in grammar and the Gregorium chant, and of good and holy conversation, is to be presented by us, and admitted by the provost and chapter. Extracted from the foresaid erection by me John Tuedie, notary public, under my sign and subscription manual. Signed : So it is. John Tuedie, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow, notary public by royal authority, with my own hand, witnessing these my sign and subscription manual.

No. II.

EXTRACTS FROM THE ACCOUNTS OF THE BURGH OF PEEBLES.

10th November 1554.

The delivrance the x day of Nowember in the yeir of God j^m v^c and liiij yeiris:—
 Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis to Johnne Stodart for stray
 to theik the myle with, xl s.
 Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis to Besse Baird for ane
 desgown in Sir Johne Allane chalmer, xx s.
 Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis to ane powrsont that warrit
 yow to the parlament, ij s.
 To James Wylsown and Stewin Robesown for fowre dayis bein in Edinburgh^m quhan
 thay sould haif haiden the parlament, xxvj s. viij d.
 Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis for ane instrument takin in
 to Sanct Androis Keirk that nane deliuerit ane paney for the Cowmone
 Strowder, iiij d.

Deliverit to ane powrsefand quhane ye wair sowmand to the pairlament to Edinburgh,	ij s.
Deliverit to Johne Stewart for mendin of the Est Port,	ij s.
Deliverit to James Wylsown and Stewin Robesoun for v dayis bein yat the parliament,	xlviij s. iiij d.
Deliverit to William Patersoun for gangin abowt Sownop Commown yat Paishe,	xij d.
Item, to Johne Wychtman and his collegis at the first day of trew with my lord,	iiij li vj s. viij d.
To ane porsefand quhane he sowmownd the bailyeis to the cheker,	ij s.
Deliverit to Thomas Twede, Nycholl Waiche, Johne Fresaill, quhane thay raid to the day of trew,	xl s.
Deliverit to James Pownt for viij dayis lawbor yat the breig and at the croce,	xxiiij s.
Deliverit to Adam Gellis and Mowngo Weilliamsown for the [carrying] of the Croce Keirk lyder to the breig,	iiij d.
Deliverit yat command of prowest and bailyes quhan thay wer yat the secheker to the clerkis and to the portowr,	iiij s.
Item, for paper and ink to wreat your compts with,	vj s. viij d.
Deliverit to William Smayle of Sanct Lenerdis for ane schameber to the pyper,	xv s.

Michaelmas 1623 to Michaelmas 1624.

December 12th. Gewine to John Frank to by oyle dolie to the knok,	xxvj s. viij d.
Gewine to James Haldine for ane quheill barra to cairrie staines to the calsa,	xvj s.
19th. Gewine to Marriane Gewane quhen the proveist and bailyes lewikit the cowmane kist, for sax pyntis aill,	xij s.
Item for candill,	ij s.
21st. Gewine to Cirstiane Hay quhen the persone come hame with John Mickall, his decharge, being in companie the persone the proveist and the balyeis payit,	xiiij s.
23d. Gewine to John Tuedy merchand for four foddome of cordis to flichter Thomas Pattersonsone, pryce,	v s. iiij d.
Item, for ane candill quhen thay rypit the hous,	iiij d.
Item, gewine that samyne day to Cirstiane Hays at command of the proveist and bailyeis quhen Thomas Pattersonsone was exciuite, to the officeris and sindry vtheris to hire for meit and drink,	xl s.
January 24. For tua bread, to Makwat quhen he scoirgit Cleirrie, pryce,	ij s.
Item, for ane foddome of toweis to flichter him, to John Tuedy merchand,	vj d.
Februay 10. To Alexander Fell and John Gibsone to cairrie ane cripill callit Scott to the Eschillis,	iiij s.
For tua pound of ierne to mend the schaikellis of the nock that James Geddis had brokine quhen he brak waird, pryce the ierne and the wark,	vj s.

- To John Haldine for going in to the steippill winddo to oppine the doore, iij s.
 To John Lowes drumer to bye ane pair of schone, vj s.
 March 12. Gewine, at command, of Alexander Muir bailye, being in companie with
 Pattrik Waitch and Archbald Frank, quhen Mr John Ker com to the towne
 and grantit thame licence that thay sowld carrie the prisoneris na forder nor
 Selkirk, payit to Cirstiane Schisholme, iij li xij s.
 15th. Gewine to John Dikeisone, John Lowes and Pattrik Pattersone, to ryde to
 Jedbruch with the prissoneris, for thair waidgies, xxvij li.
 Item, gewine for meitt and drink quhen the prissoneris was transportit out of gaiwill
 to Selkirk, xij s.
 Item, gewine to Pattrik Pattersone for the depurmentis he hade deparsit in Selkirk
 and for fleing of hors to the prissoneris out of Selkirk to Jedbruch, vj li xiiij s.
 Item, gewine to John Tuedy for four foddome of cordis to flichter the prisoneris,
 quhen thay war cairit away, pryce v s. iij d.
 Item, gewine for ane candill quhen Robert Tuedy was put in the steippill, iij d.
 16th. Gewine to Gilbert Williamsons for tua halbertis to the tua offeiceris,
 pryce vj li xij s. iij d.
 Item, to Alexander Stodart for hame bringing of thame, iij s.
 Item, to John Lawsons in Craigemiller for tua nowe staineis to the Ride Milne, xx li
 Item, for the kairteine, aill, xxiiij s.
 Item, gewine to the kairter for hame bringing of thame, xx li.
 20th. Gewine to Jenat Fleming for tua woindein scheitis to the twa prissoneris that
 dieit in waird, xxiiij s.
 Item, to Mergrat Kide for wounding of thame, vj s.
 April 3. Gewine quhen Mr James Ingillis come to tak infetment for me Laday
 Yester, for ane morneing drink, to Cirstane Hay, xxx s.
 25th. Gewine to the man that brocht the schairge about the borroweis, xij s.
 May 9th. Gewine to James Haldine in Northgett and John Geillis and Johne
 Horsbruk for vpbringing of thrie of the gritt trieis, for ewerie hors aucht
 schilling of thair four hors, summa iij li xvj s.
 Item, Gewine to laird Bullo to bring vp the vther tua trieis with his hors and his
 oxine, pryce ewerie raikie threite tua s., summa iij li viij s.
 18th. Gewine to the landemeris at command of the prowest and bailyeis for going
 about the Eschillie cowmane and Kaidmure and Hamilltone, to William Tua-
 dell, John Tempill, Thomas Willsons, Steine Thomsons, Andro Robeine and
 myselve, iij li x s.
 Gewine to William Geddes [and nine others] for delving of fuill about the maircheis,
 tua dayis, iij li xs.
 Item, to the drummer thrie dayis, xx s.
 Item to the pyper at command of the prowest James Williamsons, vj s.
 July 8th. Gewine to Pattrik Steinsons to by ane pepper buik to coppay the townes
 adwersaris ewedentis in be Mr Mathow, xij s.

19. For feiing of fyfteine hors to gang about daillis of me Lord Yesteris to cairrie thame fra the briggis to the Neipperth, ilk hors, x s. summa . . .	vijli x s.
August 5. Gewine to William Portewis for tua tere barrellis to burne in the Wainlaw, pryce . . .	xxvj s.
Item, gewine to John Tuedy for tua pound of poweder and 6 wnce, . . .	xvj s.
Item, gewine for ane barrell of aill that was had to the Wainlaw, pryce . . .	iiij li iiij s.
Item, gewine to John Robene and John Billie for playing and stryking of the swych, . . .	xxiiij s.
6th. Gewine to tuentie men that keipit the yeild nowlt in the Eschill cowmone for thair brikfast quhen thay had keipit thame all the day, . . .	xxx s.
7th. Gewine quhen Mr James Lawsons and Andro Hay com to gewe James Hay seising in the Wainlaw, being in companie with William Waitch, Thomas Tuedy, pay for instrement and to Cirstiane Hay, . . .	xxx s.

1625.

Item, for ane to go to Dulingstowne for the winer of sclaittis, . . .	vijij s.
Item, for ane silk poyntt to the bell, . . .	ij s.
Item, to ane rowch heidit fellow, . . .	xvj d.
Item, to the post quha cam for the conventioun, . . .	xxiiij s.
Item, for ane candill to search quhiddir the guidwyf of Lang Boddone had any waippins or not, . . .	iiij d.
Item, for candill sindrie tymes to the kist, . . .	ij s.
Item, to James Heefuist and Johnne Frank for mending the stockis and bandis thair of, . . .	xij s.
Item, for careing of the stockes to the croce, . . .	xxxij d.
Item, for careing the yroues fra brockis hoill to the steipill, . . .	xxxij d.
Item, to the man that seorgit Issobell Gray, . . .	xiiij s 4 d.
Item, wpon the 20 of August quhen Alexander Mwir, James Heefurd, David Plenderhaith and myselff past to Hamildowne befor noone to attend the gewing of Haltowne seasing and to await wpon the shereffes cwming, . . .	vijij s.
Item, to Daniell Frank for keiping scheip that war pindit, wpon the Castell Hill, . . .	ij s.
Item, quhen when we war in befor the lordis quhilk was gewin to the meassouris for the decret, . . .	xxx s.
Item, that morning in ane hows at the bak of the Lwikinbuithis at our disioyne, . . .	xxx s.
Item, in the samen hows at ewin with Mr Harie and Mr Mathew, at the wyne, . . .	xxx s.
Item, the morne thairefter at our way cwming with Mr Harie and Mr Mathew, at our disioyne, . . .	xxxij s.
Item, to James Elliott for his naiges wages, . . .	xx s.

Item, to James Orrie for the copie of the letteres anent the warris and wappinschawing,	iiij li vj s viij d.
Crippillis and pair, 1625 :—	
Item, on the fyft of August to ane pair schip brocking mane,	vj s.
Item, on the 20 of August for putting away ane Bessie Kid,	iiij s.
Item, on the morne thairefter for careing away ane blind wyf,	iiij s.
Item, for taking away ane crippill boy callit Blakstockis tua severall tymes, v s.	

Michaelmas 1625 to Michaelmas 1626.

Item, gewine to Gawine Dikison for caping ower the hail inhabitance off the towne befor the wappinschawing,	vj s.
Item, gewine, vpon the 28 December, to John Tuedy for powder to gewe thame that had hagbutis,	vij li xvj s.
Item, to James Heefurd for powder,	v li.
Item, gewine John Robeine for stryking of the swyche,	xij s.
Item, to the pyper callit Borland,	vij s.
Item, gewine to John Frank for schiwting of the tua goineis in the steippell and for finding of elding to clainge thame,	xvj s.
Item, gewine that day the wappinschawing was, in companie with the hard of Blakbarronie, to Patrick Vaitchis wyffe and Bessie Threipland for wyne and aill,	iiij li.
Item, gewine William Lowes for caping ower the letteris anent the Wappinschawing,	ij s.
April 4. Gewine to John Frank for mending of the schoiting buitis,	l s.
April 28. Gewine to Edwart Fell for leiding of fywe hunder sklaitis out of the Croce Kirk to the schappil,	vj s 8 d.
May 16. Gewine John Tuedy for sax threwech pepper to the skoolleris to rine at,	xij d.
June 2. Gewine to James France for seeiring of the mane that fell comeing downe the steippill that Andro Stewart pate in,	xxiiij s.

Michaelmas 1626 to Michaelmas 1627.

Nov. 10. Gewine to John Willisone ane furlat meill for keiping of the Eist Port,	xxvj s 8 d.
January 29. Gewine James Haldine for mending of the coksail quhen the wind blewe it doine,	iiij s.
February 27. Gewine the mane that brocht the letteris fra the bischop anent the rewocatioun,	xij s.
Item, Gewine to Hairrie Forrester for reiding of thame at the kirk door and merkat corce,	xxx s.

Item, gewine Edwart Fell for cairing of sax laidis of staines to the towbuith and thrie laidis lyme to the steippill heid out of the Corce Kirk vpon the moneth of Februar and sax laidis fail,	x s.
August 6. Gewine John Stoddart for tua staippillis and tua hottis of ierne and for ane poind of leid quhen the tua sogeris thocht till hawe brokine waird out of the steippill,	x s.

Michaelmas 1627 to Michaelmas 1628.

November 27. Gewine, at command of the tua baillies, to thrie passingeris that come out of Schytland,	xviiij s.
May 10. Gewine at command of the proveist and the bailyes to James France for leiding of staines to sett all the way betuext Hamiltone and Lidgett liij s 4 d.	
June 30. Gewine to Patrik Waich his wyffe for wyne and aill and to vtheris quhen the laird of Corcestorffing men schott at the silver arrow,	xlvi s.
July 13. Gewine to ane blind man at the kirk doore,	ij s.
Gewine for fywe foddome of cordis to fessone the ledderis for feir the watter had taine thame away,	viiij s 4d.
Item, gewine to Edwart Fell for tursing of sax laidis of frie staines to Queid brige,	iiij s.
August 8. Item, gewine till John Gillgowr drwmer quhen he come out of Edinburgh to mend the swyche that Traquairs man pat his nyffe in at the corce, I gave him,	xxiiij s.
Item, gewine at command of the prowest to Mr John Drowmont that he had depursit in wairing of the silver arrow to the goldsmyth,	iiij li xvij s.
Item, to the lad that brocht the letter,	iiij s.
24th. Item, gewine for thrie els of greine ribbingis to the silver arrow befor the proveist,	xij s.
26th. Item, gewine quhen the laird of Corcestorffing and his men come to schoit at the silver arrow in the moneth of October, payit to Patrik Waich his wyff for wyne and aill,	iiij li xij s. viij d.
Item, to Cristiane Hay for aill and tobaka,	xxx s.
Item, in the proveist hous with Corcestorpeine tua pynts wyne,	xxx s.
Item, quhen the proveist and bailyes was schossine, at Michelmes in companie with me Lord Yester payit for ane pynt wyne tua pyntis aill tua breid,	xix s 8 d.

Alhallowmas 1628 to Alhallowmas 1629.

Item, to James Haddane for mending the bow buttis at Beltane,	xxx s.
Item, in the provost his house quhen the silver arrow schotte at St Peiteris-day,	xxxvij s.
Item, to ane Yrische man and a womane,	vij

Item, for ane pund of kandill to the Tolbuith at the Justice aire,	v s.
Item, to Patrike Vaitche his wyfe for wyne at that tyme,	xxiiij li xv s iiij d.
Item, to the lordis of acteing siluer j dollar,	lvij s.
Item, gewen to the commissioneris clarke ij dollaris,	v li xvj s.

Alhallowmas 1630 to Alhallowmas 1631.

1629, November 15. Item, to James Haldoune for making the Calf Know dur agreitt be the provest and baillies,	xxxiiij s iiij d.
Item, to the said James Haldoune for making the gibitt that stands thair- wpon,	iiij li.
19th. Gewin for the commission to burne the wiches,	vj li xiiij s iiij d.
Item, the provest agred with James Haldoune for setting up the gibitt the wiches was hanged wpon,	iiij li xiiij s.
Item, James Haldoun drank in Archibald Frankes ane gallowne aill, quhilk the said Archibald directed to pay his wyfe, at the putting up the lintell staine,	x s viij d.
Item, to Mr Williame Dikisone for being clerk to the wiches proces,	vj li.
December 15. Item, directed to conduce with ane lockmane to the wiches, my twa dayes waidges allowit to me,	iiij li.
Item, gewin be Johnne Robene for fyne laids peittis with ane quartt of aill he gawe to the peitmen, coft to burne the wiches,	xxxiiij s viij d.
Item, to Mavioun Watsone for thrie laids of coallis	xxxvj s.
Item, to Williame Murray for ane twrs of hedder,	ix s.
Item, to Mr Andrew Watsone to tak actis of courtt being procuratour in the wiches proces,	xlvi d.
Item, for thrie faldome towis to bind the wiches hands,	xxx d.
Item, for four faldome gritt towis to kitt them up with all,	vj s. viij d.
Item, to Williame Portews for thrie tar barrellis,	xlviij d.
Item, to Alexander Dikisone ane pair of schowis for wairning of the ministrie, xx s.	
Item, to James Haldoune for caring the tar barrellis to the Calf Knowe, iiij s. iiij d.	
Item, to hangmane for his waiges,	x li.
Item, to his sone for being dampster,	xij s.
Item, for ane instrument wpon Issobell Grahames confessioun aganes the rest of the wiches, att the persones command,	xij s.
Item, to Johnne Frank for furnishing the wiches, his compt being alowitt and gef neid beis heir presentt to be sene,	viiij li xiiij s.
Item, to the said Johnne Frank for furnishing lockmane and his sone,	iiij li xij s.
Item, for breid and drink feched furth of Dauid Plenderlethis to the assytheris, xxx s.	
Item, feched furth thair of to hangmane and wiches,	xviij s.
1630, February 2. Item, to Johnne Dwnlope for binding the townes prothogallis, agred be Dauid Plenderlaith,	xx s.

November 6. Item, to twa honest lyk men quha war takin be the Dwnkirkeris,	xij s.
1631, February 2. Item, to the wyfe quha deid in Brockes-holl to by hir ane winding-scheit,	xxiiij s.
Item, to thes quha wand hir,	iiij s.
Item, to fowr men to tak hir to the kirk,	vj s. viij d.
Item, to Michall Yowng for making the graif,	xxxij d.
April 2. Item, for elynging Brockes-holl and burning the worming furth thair of efter the wyf wes remoued qua deid thairin,	xij s.
June 2. Item, to putt away ane auld wyfe with ane beird,	iiij s.
Item, that samin day to putt away ane yowng boy,	iiij s.
24th. Item, for putting away ane yowng hussie callit Bessie Scott,	iiij s.
September 10. Item, drinking with the laird of Smithfeild in Patrik Waiehes att his first cuming to the cvntrie thrie chappines sek and ane quartt of Fryneh wyne,	iiij li.
Item, for ane hundreth plowmis and thrie desone of peiris,	xij s. viij d.
26. Item, for caireing away ane auld qulyt beirditt man callit Home,	iiij s.

Michaelmas 1631 to Michaelmas 1632.

Item, gewin to James Haldanes twa sonnes at command of the provest for going along Tuedsyd against ane flood to seik the tric briggs and daillis thair of quhilk wer carryt away be the flood,	vij s.
Item, gewin to Thomas Lowes his sone for laveing of the schoole quhilk wes full of water be the flood,	iiij s.
Item, for repairing and putting vp of the pulpitt in the chappell, for ane hundreth naillis,	xij s. iiij d.
Item, for twa hundreth failt to lay the schoole flode whilk wes invndit with the water and for leiding and laying of the samyn,	xij s.
Item, to John Frank wricht in Ediuburgh his men for thair drink silver quhen the new pulpitt wes sett vp,	xxxvj s.
Item, at the setting vp of the pulpitt gewin for ane pynt of Frensche wyne,	xij s.
Item, gewin for carying the town ledder fra the Bordell-hawche quhilk wes taue away be the flood, to four men ilk ane ane groat,	xvj s.
Item, to ane crepill woman namit Jennat Braikinrig and of carying of hir to the Myrehous,	vj s.
Item, gewin to ane Irisch man and ane Irisch woman with sex children,	xij s.
Item, gewin to James Hadden ane dayes wage for redding the Deanes Wynd,	xij s. iiij d.
Item, gewin to the drummer for going through the town to warne the inhabitantis to the Hammiltoun,	vj s. 8 d.

- Item, gewin to John Kaitehon to attend to the Whytstane vpon my Lord Traquairis vpeuning to the effect the town might speak with his lordschip about some thair effairis, iij s.
- Item, gewin to John Gilleis for casting of four thowsand faille to cover the ledges of Pebles brig, xxx s.
- Item, gewin to James Haddin for laying of the samyn faille on the said brig ane dayes wage, xij s. iij d.
- Item, that day Hammiltoun Hill corne wes schorne, thair wes spent be the provest baillies and certane of the counsell, xxij s.
- Item, gewin to Thomas Crawford notar for instrumentis siller quhen Hammiltoun corne wes schorne, vj s.
- Item, to Patrik Watsone for ane pund of powder quhen the town wes about Hammiltoun hill on Witsondtys day ; item, mair thrie quarteris of ane pound furnishit to sindrie who had hagbuttis at directioun of the provest, xlvi s. viij d.

Hallowemes 1632 to Hallowemes 1633.

- Item, to myself directed be the provost and baillies to seike the sklaiter throw Brochtoun Glenwhome and Drummallyer, xxx s.
- Item, the provost and baillies at aggriment with the sklaitter, xxiiij s.
- Item, geiven to him in drynk money, xij s.
- Item, to James Williamsons being directed with the parson to the Bischope of Glasgow whair he remained thrie dayes, vj li.
- Item, in Edinburgh the same tyme at a four houris with Mr Harie efter thei came fra the Bischope, xxv s.
- Item, the persone and Mr Andro when thei raid to St Androes their bonailla with the provost and baillies, xx s.
- Item, for a thowsand sklaitt to the chaippell and tollbuith at fourtein s. the hundreth, *inde* vij li.
- Item, to the sklaitter for his feye aggried be the provost and baillies, xxvj li xij s. iij d.
- Item, two candill at the seiking out of King James chartour furth of the kist, viij d.
- Item, to myself directed to Edinburgh to mak the Exchecker compte two dayis remaining, iij li.
- Item, payit to the exchecker, xxj li. ij s. viij d.

Michaelmas 1633 to Hallowmas 1634.

- Item, in companie with the proveist and baillyes vpon the 23d day of October payit quhen Sir Johne Hamiltones men was maid burges payit for aill to Issbill Heefurd, xlvij s. v d.
- February 13. Item, gewine William Melros for ganging with ane letter to Sir Johne Hamilltone quhilk he sowcht him in sindry pairtis of East Lowdieane alloweit, xl s.

- 17th. Item, gewine to the parente of thes that spane at the wisserit quheill being Mairrane Kaitchine for hir dowchter Cristiane Pebills William Tempill his dowchter, Mairriane Stoddart, payit for ane boll meill, . . . vij li. vj s.
- March 14. Item, gewine Andro Diksone for tuentie thrie tries to sett in the kirk yaird, iij li. vj s. viij d.
- June 27. Item, to ane Johne Mure baillic in North Bervik anent repairing of thair herberrie quhilk the haill borroweis had consentit and gewine him according to thair abillitie, and sua at command of the proveist and baillyes and maist pairt of the counsell I gawe him, vij li. xiiij s.
- Item, for ane bras cower to King David seall, vj s.
- Item, for ane ledler walit to put in our writis, iij s.

Allhallowmas 1634 to Allhallowmas 1635.

- Item, to the clark (as instrument siluer) that the schereff suld not prejudge the toun anent the fischaris, ij s.
- Item, to Johne Greive and otheris for leddering the steipill climeing in at the heid when the key and lock was broken (in Marche), xxix s.
- Item, to James Haddane and otheris fyve waiding in Tueid Watter and cairieing stoness to lay about the pillar of the bridge, there bread and drynk before and efter the said worke, xxj s. iij d.

Martinmas 1635 to Martinmas 1636.

- May 10. Item, payit at Lyne bridge goeing ane number together to meite the Byschop, xxxiiij s.
- Item, counted with Margret Reid befor the provost and baillyies when the Byschop was heir and payit to her, x li. xij s.
- Item, two buistes of confetis, xx s.
- Item, for aill and schorte bread at that tyme, to Christan Hay, xlj s.
- Item, to ane merchant boy callit Williamsone that had his pack stollin, vj s.
- Item, to Margret Reid for seik and Frenche wyne at the commissioneris being heir counted with her befor the provost, vj li. vij s.
- Item, for pairchement to wryte my lord Traquairis chairtour, vj s. viij d.
- Item, for mending the tounis seall, vj s.

1st May to 31st December 1638.

- Item, 29 September, given to Thomas Crawford for dowbling of the protestatioun against the last covenant, 12 s.
- Item, 6 November, To John Lowes provest being sent to Edinburgh to ressave informatioun anent the subscribing of the last Covenant and remaning thair fyve dayes, x li.

- Item, 12 December, to William Bennat and Thomas Dolis for bringing fra Leith tuentie muskettes with thair necessaris, 48 s.
- Item, to William Melrose officer for going with ane letter to Sir Alexander Murray, of Darnehall to advertize him anent the subscribing of the last covenant, 6s. 8d.

1639.

- January 31. To ane passenger called Edward Herreis, in presence of John Robene at directione of David Plenderleith, 12 s.
- Item, 12 Februarii, for my awin wadges being direct be the counsell to Edinburgh to ressave picke and musquet fra my lord Yeister and remained thair twa dayes, 3li.
- Item, 15 Februarii, to William Weichtman, John Horsbruk and James Watsons for bringing fra Leith twa caryage of pickis and ane of ball and matche, enerie ane tuenties. with thair custome, 3 li 12 d.
- Item, eodem die, to William Weichtman befor the proveist and John Grive elder for bringing of tuentie musquettis fra Neidpeth, 4 s.
- Item, to George Thomsonsone sclaitter as the provest agreed with him to repair the chappell quihich was blawing out wpon Hallow even 1638, 9 li.
- March 29. Item, to John Bell snyth for ane quarter weight of yron to bowle the twa yron peeces in the steepell and for his bowlling thair of, 20 s.
- October 18. Item, Thomas Patersonsone baillye being elected be the counsell to ryde to Edinburgh to declare vnto my lord Traquair anent the thrie prisoners in our jawell for the murther and adulterie committed in Cardrono who remained thrie dayes and gave 12 s. to James Prymrois his sister who did writt the commission, 5 li. 2 s. viij d.
- 31st. Quhilk day Walter Schiell officer to my lord Traquair ressavd the adulteres fra the baillies, as instrument silver taken in John Symervell notar his handis, 4 d.
- Item, 12 November, quhilk day Mr Andro Watsonsone viccar began to read prayers in the chappell, to John Tuedie for candell, the Sabbath dayes and sume other dayes quhairin he was absent excepted, xxv s.

1640.

- April 2. Gewin to John Robene be consent of the counsell for ringing the belles to the prayeris, for twa quarteris, iij li.
- October 10. Given to Thomas Patersonsone to go to Edinburgh with the sojores fugitives in our town, quho stayit away four dayes, vj li.
- Item, I gave to the sojores be the way in meit and drink at sindrie tymes, xxx s.
- Item quhen the said Thomis and I left them I gave the said sojoris in money vtlier, xxx s.

- December 7. Gewin to the provest quhilk he gave to Leivtennent Colonell Kininmonth's scriviner, 48 s.
 8th. Gewin to sex cadgeris to cary from Peibillis to Stobo Col. Kininmonthis sod-jouris pickes and muskettis and vtheris thair furnitour, ewerie ane vj s. inde xxxvj s.

October 1645 to October 1646.

- November 1. Gewin to William Heislope [and others] for cutting timber in the Croce Kirk and for building the first twa luidges for thes who wer put furth in the visitatioun, xij s. iiij d.
 13th. Gewin to William Heislope [and others] for biggin the kill for the infected cloths clenging, iij li.
 28th. Gewin to William Wilsons quhilk he had gewin out to twa clengers that came out of Edinburgh to seik imployment and wer send bak, xij s.
 January 27. To William Heislope younger for ane laid of peitis to clenge the schoole, viij s.
 March 7. Gewin to John Plenderlaith stayth to go for Drumfreis with twa let'eres fra leivtennant Eliot (then quarterit in Pebles with his trowpe) to rait masteris Killoche and Cunninghaune, iiij li.
 April 24. Quhen my lord Buccleugh his broyther and thair dependeris and ser-vandis wer maid burgessis, spent at directioun of the magistrattis, provest Williamsone present, in the clerkis and at the croce, thrie pyntis of sack and ane bread, iij li. xij d.
 June 10. To ane post quha came to proclame the Kings letter anent disbanding of forces, xij s.
 22. To Alexander Williamsone and John Gilleis officeris to go seik in the Forrest and vther places Hector Dickisone cowper to be ane sojour and Richard Porteous quha could not be found, ane quart aill and twa merkis, 29 s. 4 d.
 August 20. Item the said day quhen my lord Kennmure came to Pebles gewin to John Gilleis, younger, to ryd to Selkirk in haist with a letter to fetche Kennmures officeris to Pebles, xxiiij s.
 October. To John and [John Horsbrughis] William Murray, William Wichtman, John Hunter, for twa horsse, Thomas Dods [and five others], for carying Kennmures muskettis fra Leith to Pebles for Kennmures sojoris (four quhair of gat no armes bot had waited on twa dayes and out of pitie be the magistratts derection gat payment), to ilk ane of the tuelf caryeris 24 s.; inde 14 li. 8 s.
 Item, on the morrow against Hallow day quhen thair wes nether wyne nor sack in Pebles, at command of the magistratt, spent quhen ane note wes gottin fra captane Alexander Spittell quartermaister quhen Leslies armie came along anent the quarterings, that tyme sex pintis aill, viij s.

1st November 1649 to 1st November 1650.

Item, 7 Februar, Gevin for the carrying of three loades free stanes from the Croce Kirk to the Chappill to mak ane window off, and ane load of lym from the kirk and thrie loades sand,	iiij s.
Mair, gevin to Stephen Greive for the breaking out the window of the Chaippill and making vp the samyn againe,	iiij li.
Item, gevin be Thomas Smyth for the townis proportioun of tua monethis pay from the 15 Januar to the 15 Marche to the Irish companie,	x li xiiij s.
February, the baillies with Capitane Cranstane and his officiares at the making them burgesses, sex pyntes French wyne,	v li xiiij s.
Item, 24 Appryle, gevin to Alexander Williamsons for goeing to the earle of Theid-dail with ane letter anent our races,	liij s iiij d.
May 4. Gevin to ane daft man that the proveist wairdit, to buy bread withall,	iiij s.
20th. Gevin to James Williamsons provest and James Horsbrugh baillie, electit commissioners for the parliament, as thair compt beers,	iiij ^s viij li viij s. 8d.
Item, gevin to fyve souldiors that come from England,	xxij s.
July 9. Given to William Haswell quartermaister to leivtennant cornell Ker's troupe, for his localite of seven hors, tuelf dayis as the baillies did agreee with him,	vj li xviiij s.
10th. Given to Thomas Homiltoun for touking of the drumm anent ane act of the Committie at the croce,	iiij s iiij d.
14th. Item, for ane belt to bind the old treasurer compts togidder,	xij d.
15th. I went into Edinburgh to buy powder and leid at derection of the counsell and I bocht tuentie sevin pund of powder at 12 s. the pund, inde	xvj li iiij s.
Item, twa staine of leid, pryce of the staine fyfte sixe shilling, inde,	v li xij s.
And to the boyes that cuist the bullets for thair expedioun,	iiij s.
Mair to Bet Govans man that brought hame the powder and leid, two bread and ane chappin of aill,	iiij s.
Item, for grasse to Robert Govans beast,	iiij s.
Item, given for ane barrell to putt in the powder,	vj s.
Item, for my owin charges,	xl s.
August 3. I had ane pynt of aile in John Trumell hows with the baillies and twa trupers,	2s.
6th. Given for fyve Inglesmen thair quarteres twa nightes,	iiij li.
Given to ane truper that cam for the sheip and cheis for fowr nightes,	xxxvj s.
Item, for thrie nightes quarteres of ane ceirgent that com owt of the castill to Thomas Smyth for mentanence,	xx s.
20th. I was in Edilston kirk with the showlder fyve pyntes aile,	x s.
Mair, I paid with the baillie at the Fallamill,	vj s.
September 16. To tuo hurt souldiores,	vj s.

24th.	To ane hurt souldior, befor the younge persone and William Lowes, callit James M Gill,	vj s.
October 7.	To William Hislope for the half pryce of ane dead chist to ane poor souldior,	xl s.
	Item, to Stephen Greive for the half pryce of ane dead kist to ane vther poor souldior,	xl s.
November 1.	Item, for tuo candle to look the writtes in the steiple efter the Inglesmen had spoyled the same,	xij d.
	Item, to Stephen Greive and his sone for setting vp the gallous to the witches being ane day and half ane dayes work,	xl s.
	Item, for tuo drinckes,	vij d

Michaelmas 1651 to Michaelmas 1652.

December 4.	Item, for carieing of letteris to Blackbarony anent provisione for Captain Soumes seik men,	vj s.
January 23.	With Captane Some, Sir James Hay, 2 bailies, Mr Andro in the clerkis, 7 chapinis wyne, but suggar,	v li xiv s.
	For tobacco and pypis and 2 bread,	vj s.
September 8.	Item, to John Wood for to convoy ane troupe to Hawick that belonged to Blackmoore,	i li xvj s.

1654.

March 7.	Item, on Tuesday quhen the trupperis cam in, commandit vnder Quisiltounes trup, payit for sewin load of coales,	
June 15.	Quhen the garrissoun came to the Neipeth, for ane pund of candel,	v s. vj d.
25th.	For tua thraif of oat stra to the garrissoun Neipeth,	xij s. iv d.
26th.	Mair to it at that tyme, caryit be Andro Forrest, ane load of peitis,	vj s.
July 12.	Item, for stra out of Winkstoun to the Neipeth,	xvij s.
30th.	To the Scotis prisoners that Captain Hart tuk, thrie of ail and four bread and tobaca,	vj s.
	Item, to John Ficher, locksmyth, for the making up tua new lockis that was brokin be the mos truperis upon the portis, keyes lost, sprentis and plaitis brised and brokin,	ii li viij s.

1655.

August 2.	Item, at the creating of Capitane Hairgrave and his ensigne, burgesses, with the baillies, thrie pyntes wyne and 12 ounces suggar,	ij li x s.
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1658.

June 22.	To John Tueddall for carieing the souldiers' plenishing to the Neidpeth,	ij s. iv d.
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November 12. For half ane dayis work at Tueid bridge, vj s. viij d.
 For his drink, j s. viij d.
 To laird Chisholme for bringing of thrie great frie stanes from the Kirk to Tueid
 bridge, iij s.

1659.

June 23. Item, given to Thom Tuadall for earying four frie stanes from the Crose
 Kirk to it, [Tweed bridge] ij s.

1660.

February 23. Payd for ten stone of colle furnished to the gaird be Johne Trumble
 when the futtemen marched to Glasgow, xvj s.
 Ane pund candill, v s. vj d.
 May 11. Payd for what was spent on bone-fyre day, as the allowd compt be the
 counsell beires, iv li iij s.
 June 19. Item, the nyntene June, spent wpon the Thankesgiving day, efter our
 King was saiffie arryved, vj li xv s.

1661.

April 22. At command of the magistrats taken down to the croas, fowr galons
 eall, ii li xij s. iv d.
 Item, the said day the eall was drunk thri eall copis was brokin, pryce, v s.
 May 1. When the cup was first put up on the croas, for a yaird of reid rwbon to
 one of the merchants, vj s.
 6th. To James Birsbain for wyn and vther furnitor when the King was crownnd and
 at Beltan fair when the earl of Tuedell cam to the town, as his allowd compt
 bears, xxvij li xij s.
 8th. Item, for two sheit paper when the butts was shott at by the Arehers, vj s.
 August 10. To William Wood for eight load stons, from the Croas Kirk to Twed
 brig, at 12d. a load, inde viij s.
 13th. To put up the brood in the Tollbuith containing the King and toun arms,
 6 plensher nails 8d. ; ane skainya thrid 2d. ; inde, x d.
 To Mr. John Williamone for the brood, iii li.

GLOSSARY AND INDEX.

GLOSSARY.

- ABBOT OF UNREST**, a character in an ancient Christmas sport.
ABONE, ABOUE, ABUF, above.
AC, act.
ACCEPANDE, excepting.
ACHET, eschaet, forfeited.
ACHT, AITH, ATHT, oath.
ACORDIT, agreed.
ADWERSARIS, adversaries.
AFALD, honest, upright.
AGANE, again.
AGANE, AGAYN, against.
AIK, oak.
AIR, AYRE, AR, ARE, eyre, an itinerant court of justice ; heir.
AIRIS, AYERIS, heirs.
AITHER, ATHER, AYTHIR, either, each.
AITTIS, oats.
AKTRE, oak tree.
AL, ALL, ale, all.
ALANERLY, solely, only.
ALLI, ALY, alienate.
ALLUTERLY, wholly, entirely.
ALS, as.
ALS, ALSSUA, also.
ALYA, alliance, an ally.
AMERCIAMENT, AMERSSIMENT, a fine.
AMITTIS, admits.
AMMARI, AMRI, a press or cupboard.
AN, ANE, an, one.
AN, AVNE, AWIN, OWN.
ANALYIT, alienated.
ANEIST, ANES, next.
ANENTIS, over against, opposite to ; concerning, in relation to.
ANES, once, ones.
ANOWRNMENTIS, ornaments.
ANWAL, annual.
APERIT, appeared.
ARCHAP, ARSCAP, ARSCAPAT, heirship, inheritance.
AS, has.
ASPOSIT, disposed.
ASSIS, ASSISE, assize.
ASSONYEIT, excused for absence.
ASSYTHERIS, those who atone for offences.
AT, that.
ATTOUR, moreover, beyond.
ATTRAGIS, altars.
AUCH, AUCHT, ought, owing, to owe, to be the owner of, eight.
AUNNARIS, owners.
AUTAR, altar.
AUTORITE, authority.
AUWYS, advice.
AVENTURE, adventure, chance, fortune.
AW, ought.
AWDYTOURIS, auditors.

- AWEST, AWESTAL, contiguous, adjacent.
 AWISIT, advised.
 AWS, owes.
 AWTER, altar.
 AYR, early.
- BAD, bade.
 BAG, a quiver.
 BAITH, both.
 BAK, back.
 BAKBRID, bakeboard.
 BALK, beam by which scales are suspended.
 BANDELEANS, a leathern belt having affixed to it a number of little cases, each containing the charge of powder for a musket, and usually worn around the neck or over the shoulder.
 BANGISTARIS, violent and disorderly persons.
 BANING, imprecating.
 BARBOURIS, barbers, surgeons.
 BARGANE, fight, contention.
 BARN, child.
 BARTYLMES, St. Bartholomew's day.
 BE, by.
 BEAND, being.
 BEDELL, BEDRELL, a person bedrid.
 BEDRAL, a beadle, a sexton.
 BEGIT, BIGGIT, built.
 BEHAW, behoof.
 BEHUFFFUL, useful, fit.
 BEIS, be, is, are.
 BELLANTYM, BELTANE, the name of a sort of festival observed on the first day of May, O.S.; hence used to denote the term of Whitsunday.
 BELLYS, bellows.
 BENK, a bench, seat.
 BERIS, bears.
 BERRYNG, bearing.
- BERYIT, buried.
 BESEIK, beseech.
 BETHYS, BETUIX, BETHWEN, betwixt, between.
 BEWDIT, improved.
 BIGANE, bygone.
 BIGGINGS, buildings.
 BILL, indictment.
 BLAW, to blow, to inflate.
 BLEBANE. See "Pleban."
 BLIND MAN, BLYND MAN, (pp. 343, 346.)
 BLUDE, blood.
 BLUDEWETIS, fine for the effusion of blood.
 BODIN, prepared, provided, furnished.
 BONAILA, a drink taken with a friend on parting, expressive of wishing him a prosperous journey.
 BONSPULE, a match.
 BORCH, a surety, a person who becomes bail for another, a pledge.
 BOT, BUT, unless, except, without.
 BOTH, booth.
 BOTTIS, bolts.
 BOWNIT, prepared.
 BRAK, broke.
 BRAY, the side of a hill, an acclivity.
 BREDE, breadth.
 BREIDER, brethren.
 BREKARIS OF TAXT, persons who levy a tax.
 BREKIN, breaking.
 BRETHIR, brethren.
 BROD, board.
 BROF, broth, soup.
 BROSSTAR, BROWSTARE, brewer.
 BROUK, BRWK, BRUG, brook, possess, enjoy.
 BRULVE, broil, fight.
 BRYG, bridge.
 BRYNT, BRINT, burned.
 BUD, a gift, a bribe.
 BUFFILL, a leathern coat.
 BUISTES, boxes.
 BUCK, BUIK, book.

- BUR, bore.
 BURD, board.
 BURGESS, burgesses.
 BUSSES, bushes.
 BUTTS, ground appropriated for practising archery.
 BY, beyond, besides, away from.
 By, buy.
 BYDE, to stay.
 CABER, a rafter.
 CALSAY, CAUSA, causeway.
 CALSAY BURGESS, (p. 358.)
 CAPHING, CAPHING, copying.
 CARECHE, carriage.
 CARNE, a heap of stones.
 CATHE or CACHE, a game of handball.
 CAUDRON, caldron.
 CEDENS, assignment.
 CEIRGENT, sergeant.
 CEIS, cease.
 CENTRAL, a sentry.
 CHADER, (p. 119.)
 CHAIRGIT, CHARDIT, charged.
 CHAK, check.
 CHAKKARE, CHEKER, exchequer.
 CHALMER, chamber.
 CHAMERLAR, chamberlain.
 CHANOWNIS, canons.
 CHAPELLANE, chaplain.
 CHAPYN, chopin.
 CHAWDER, chaldar.
 CHEFF, chief.
 CHENYA, chain.
 CHEP, sheep.
 CHEP, a shop.
 CHEPMEN, pedlars, hawkers, merchants.
 CHES, choose.
 CHET, eschaet, forfeiture.
 CHIFT, shift.
 CHILDER, children, retinue, attendants.
 CHYAR, chair.
 CLAUSURES, enclosures.
 CLEIDE, to get legal possession.
 CLEM, climb.
 CLEM, claim.
 CLENGERS, cleansers.
 CLOUR, a dint caused by a blow, a stroke.
 CLYNGING, cleansing.
 COFIT, COFT, bought.
 COG, a measure used in some mills containing the fourth of a peck, a hollow vessel. See "Roung Wheel."
 COKSAILL, (p. 414.)
 COLLEG, colleague.
 COMAND, coming.
 COMBURGENSES, COMBURGESSES, fellow-burgesses.
 COMMOUNIS, COMOWNYTE, community.
 COMPER, compear, appear.
 COMPLANE, COMPLENE, evening song.
 COMPLICES, accomplices.
 COMPONE, to settle, to compound.
 COMPROMIT, compromise.
 CONDAMPNIT, blocked up.
 CONDUCE, to hire.
 CONFETIS, sweetmeats, comfits.
 CONFORTEID, comforted.
 CONNYNG, (p. 113.)
 CONT, account.
 CONTEMPCIOUN, CONTEMPTIOUN, contempt, disobedience to legal authority.
 CONTENYS, contains.
 CORS, CROCE, cross.
 CORSAY, a covering for a woman's head.
 CONVOY, to accompany.
 CONWIK, convicted.
 COTTIS, cuts.
 COUNSAL, council.
 COVERFTRE, the curfew bell or evening peal.
 COWER, cover.
 COWNT, account.
 COWPARIS, dealers.

CUIST, cast.
 CUKE-STULE, a pillory.
 CULD, CWT, could.
 CULLOWRIS, colours.
 CUM, come.
 CUMMER, vexation, entanglement.
 CUR, care.
 CURNE, grain. " Forty Curne " (p. 29),
 proportion of one grain in forty.
 CURS, course.
 CURT, court.
 CURROWRIS, CURSOURS, couriers, mes-
 sengers.
 CUSTUME, custom.
 CUSYNAGE, relationship by blood.
 CWCH, couch.
 C'WNNARIS, tasters.

 DAFT, delirious, foolish, unwise.
 DAMPNAGES, damages.
 DANG, beat.
 DAPLAR, (p. 119.)
 DAWIRK, day's work.
 DE, die.
 DECERNAND, discerning.
 DECORMENT, decoration, ornament.
 DEDE, dead.
 DEFALK, defalcate, deficient.
 DEFAWTIS, defaults.
 DEID, death.
 DEILING, dividing.
 DEIT, died.
 DELATIT, accused.
 DELFING, digging.
 DELUID, delusive.
 DEMPSTAR, the officer of court who pro-
 nounces sentence.
 DENEGATIOUN, denial, keeping back.
 DEPAUPERAT, impoverished.
 DERREST, dearest.
 DESGOWN, DISIOYNE, breakfast.

DET, debt.
 DETERMYT, determined.
 DEW, due.
 DICHTERIS, DYCHTARIS, wipers, cleaners.
 DIMEMBER, to dismember, to maim.
 DIMITTIT, resigned.
 DING, to drive, to beat.
 DIOCIE, diocese.
 DIS, dish.
 DISATE, deceit.
 DISFAMETE, impoverishment.
 DISHONESTIE, disrespectability, incon-
 venience.
 DISPOULYEIDE, despoiled.
 DISSIS, dishes.
 DISTRENYE, distract.
 DISTRIBULANCE, disturbance.
 DIUERS, divers, several.
 DIVOT, turf.
 DOLIE, oil of any kind. See Oyle-dolie.
 DON, down.
 DORAND, during.
 DOTE, to give, to bestow.
 DOUSSANE, dozen, the council.
 DOWANDE, doing.
 DOWCAT, dovecot, pigeon house.
 DRAUYS, DRAWIS, gives, assigns.
 DURE, door.
 DURTHRESWALD, door, threshold.
 DYNAR, dinner.
 DYSS, dice.
 DYSSTRES, a distraint, seizure for debt.

 E, ye, you.
 EFPEC, effect.
 EFFECTUISLIE, affectionately.
 EFFEIRIS, concerns, becomes, befits, pro-
 portional to.
 EFFIRMYT, affirmed.
 EFTER, after.
 EGLING, intending.

- EIN, evening.
 EKIS, adds.
 ELD, age.
 ELD-FADER, grandfather.
 ELDIN, ELDING, fuel of any kind.
 ELD-MODER, grandmother.
 ELLIS, else, otherwise, already.
 ELN, ELNE, a Scotch measure containing thirty-seven inches.
 EME, uncle.
 ENDLAND, along.
 ENFEFTMENT, infestment.
 ENTRES, interest, concern, access, entry.
 ERAND, affair, business, message.
 ERD, earth.
 ESCHE, ash.
 ESSELY, easily.
 ESSONYE, excuse for absence.
 ESSPOSIT, disposed.
 EUEST, EWEST, contiguous, adjacent.
 EUIL, EWILL, evil.
 EUIRILK, every.
 EUIRMAIR, evermore.
 EVENLY, equally.
 EVENSANG, evening song.
 EVYN, even, equal.
 EXALTATIOUN OF THE CROIS, Rood-day, 14th September.
 EXERCE, to exercise.
 EY, eye, centre.

 FADER, feather.
 FADER, father.
 FADIS, hunters.
 FADOM, FODDOME, fathom.
 FAILL, FEAL, grassy part of ground's surface.
 FAILYENE, FALLAND, failing.
 FALOU, fellow, partner.
 FALYHEIS, fails.
 FAND, FUNDIN, FENDYNG, found.

 FAULDIT, folded, closed.
 FAUT, falt, default.
 FAWIR, favour.
 FAWTOURIS, transgressors.
 FAYIS, foes.
 FE, FEALL, FIE, fee, hire.
 FECHTYNG, fighting.
 FEFMENT, infestment, investiture, possession.
 FEFT, legally put in possession.
 FEID, feud.
 FEIR OF WEIR, a warlike expedition, prepared for war.
 FELONY, cruelty, wrath, fierceness, violence.
 FENDE, fiend, the devil.
 FENDIT, provided.
 FENSYT COURT, court formally opened.
 FENYEIT, feigned.
 FERD, FERDE, fourth.
 FERIAL, protected against legal prosecution.
 FERNES, rents.
 FERMIT, affirmed.
 FIRMORARIS, farmers.
 FLES, flesh.
 FLICHTER, to pinion.
 FLITE, FLYT, to scold.
 FLUDIS, floods.
 FOLLOWING, pursuing.
 FOLLOWARE, KOW AND FOLLOWARE, cow and calf.
 FOLOUAND, following.
 FOR, fore.
 FORBET, forbid.
 FORBUTH, forebooth.
 FORFALT, forfeit, fine, unlaw.
 FOROWTYN, without.
 FORRET, forehead.
 FORSAMEKILL, forasmuch.
 FORSPEKAR, advocate, procurator.
 FORSTALLER, FORSTAKER, one who buys

- merchandise before it comes to market, or before time appointed for sale.
- FORSUTH, FORSWTHT, forsooth.
- FORTHCHIT, forethought, premeditated.
- FOUK, folk.
- FOWELY, fully.
- FRA, from, fray.
- FRANCHIS, privileges.
- FRATHINFURTH, thenceforth, from that time.
- FRENYIE, a fringe.
- FRER, friar.
- FRETH, to release from an obligation.
- FRIUOLL, frivolous.
- FRUCTIS, fruits.
- FULIS, fowls.
- FUTE, foot.
- FUTFELLIS, a species of dressed skin.
- GA, go.
- GADER, gather.
- GAIT, way, road.
- GAIWILL, jail.
- GANGIN, going.
- GANSTANDAND, standing against, opposing.
- GAR, cause, force.
- GARDEWYOT, a cabinet, a wardrobe.
- GAWILLOK, an iron lever.
- GAYL, GAL, gavel.
- GEAR, goods.
- GEFE, give.
- GEIS, GES, geese.
- GERSSOWME, GRASSUM, sum paid by a tenant or vassal at entry to lands.
- GERT, caused.
- GEWINE, given.
- GEYF, GIF, GYF, if, give.
- GILRDIL, a girdle.
- GLOMYNG, evening, twilight.
- GLUFE, glove.
- GOINE, GOVNE, gun.
- GOLT, GOT, a drain, a small trench, a narrow inlet.
- GON, GOVNE, gown.
- GORMAWIS, gluttons.
- GOUERAN, govern.
- GRAITH, furnishings, furniture.
- GRANGEIS, buildings pertaining to a farm.
- GRAP, a fork.
- GRAS, grace.
- GRWND, ground.
- GUD, good.
- GUDIS, GUIDIS, goods.
- GUDLY, goodly.
- GUDSONIS, sons-in-law.
- GUTHER, gutter.
- HABILITIE, ability.
- HAGBUT, a kind of firearms.
- HAIL, HALE, HALL, whole.
- HAILLILIE, wholly, altogether.
- HALDIN, HAIDEN, held.
- HALDIS, holds.
- HALF, side, quarter, part.
- HALY, holy.
- HAMESURKING, assaulting a person in his own premises.
- HANYNG, preserving.
- HAS, as.
- HASART, hazard.
- HAVAND, HAFFAND, having.
- HAYF, HAUE, have.
- HE, HIE, HEICH, high.
- HEAST, HIEST, highest.
- HED, HEID, head.
- HEDDER, heather.
- HEICHTT, heightened.
- HEIDROVME, head or boundary ground.
- HELE, HEILE, health.
- HEME, edge.
- HEREIT, robbed, plundered.

- HEREZELD, the best horse, ox, or cow belonging to the vassal or tenant, which, on his death, was due to his superior or landlord.
 HERSCHIP, plunder, wreck of property, devastation.
 HINGING, hanging.
 HIRD, one who tends cattle or sheep.
 HOCH, the hough.
 HOG, a young sheep.
 HOIF, a sloping hollow between two hills.
 HONDER, hundred.
 HONEST, honourable, respectable.
 HOROLOGE, a clock.
 HOS, house.
 HOUSTED, house stead.
 HOWKSTAIRIS, hucksters.
 HUD, a hood.
 HUNDRETH, hundred.
 HUPHALD, uphold.
 HUS, use.
 HUSCHE, ish, entrance.
 HYN, in.
 HYNE, hence.
- ILE, aisle.
 ILK, same.
 ILKANE, each one.
 IMPROBATIOUN, disproof.
 INCONTINENT, forthwith, immediately.
 INCUMING, arrival.
 INDENT, indenture, agreement.
 INDOT, give, grant, endow.
 INFANGTHEIF, privilege conferred on a landholder of trying a thief taken within his own territory.
 INLAIK, want, deficiency.
 INNOUTH, inwith.
 INRIN, incur.
 INTENTIT, litigated.
 INTERES, interest, concern, access, entry.
- INTERLOQUOTOUR, judgment.
 INVENTION OF THE CROIS, Rood-day, the 3rd of May.
 INVNDIT, inundated.
 IRSTANIS, iron tongs.
- JACK, JAK, jacket, jerkin.
 JAVILL, JEWLE, jail.
 JAVILLOUR, jailor.
 JEDGE, a gaage.
 JOS, enjoy.
 JOWIS, tolls, rings.
 JOYSIT, enjoyed.
 JWNT, joint.
- KAILL, colewort, greens.
 KAIRTENE, carting.
 KEL, kiln.
 KENNIT, KENT, known, directed.
 KENYNG, directing, knowing.
 KINE, KYNE, kin.
 KIST, a chest, a coffin.
 KITT, to lift up quickly.
 KNAWLEGE, knowledge, trial, examination, scrutiny.
 KNAYCHEP, KNAVESHIP, dues to a servant in a mill.
 KNOCK, KNOK, clock.
 KWNNARIS, tasters.
 KY, cows.
 KYNRIK, kingdom.
 KYP, keep.
 KOW AND FOLLOWARE, cow and calf.
- LACHFULL, LAUCHFULL, lawful.
 LADE, LAID, load.
 LAFFIS, loaves.
 LAIF, LAYF, the remainder.
 LAIRD, LARD, a landholder, a lord.

- LANDEMERIS, land measurers.
 LANDIT, possessing lands.
 LANGANDE, belonging.
 LANTTER, (p. 119.)
 LANGILLIT, a rope by which the fore and hind feet of a horse or cow are fastened together.
 LAT, late.
 LATIT TO BORCH, laid in pledge.
 LAUATORY, a vessel to wash in.
 LAUBBORROWIS, legal security against injury.
 LAUTE, loyalty, truth, equity.
 LAUTOCHE, true, just.
 LAW, low.
 LECTIOUN, election.
 LEDDER, LYDER, ladder, leather.
 LEG POSTE, LEGIS POUSTE, the state of health in which a person has full power to dispose of his property.
 LEGIS, ledges, parapet.
 LEIF, live, leave.
 LEIRNAND, learning.
 LELY, faithfully.
 LESSTYS, lasts, endures.
 LESSENS, licence.
 LESUME, lawful, allowable.
 LESURIS, pastures.
 LEWYN, living.
 LEYRIT, learned.
 LIAND, lying.
 LINER, LYNOUR, one who measures land with a line.
 LITI FOR DAYIS (p. 131.), let it lie four days.
 LOCKMANE, a public executioner.
 LOIS, loose.
 LON, LONYNG, a passage for cattle, a narrow enclosed way.
 LORIMAR, a maker of bits, spurs, nails, &c.
 LOUITTIS, lovites, a term expressive of the royal regard.
 LOWIS, LOUCHIS, lochs.
 LUF, love.
 LUGEIT, lodged.
 LUGGIS, ears.
 LUKE, look.
 MA, more.
 MAISTERSCHIPPIS, a title of respect.
 MALYN, a farm.
 MALYS, rents.
 MANCH or MAUTH, MAYTH, a son-in-law.
 MAND, a broad basket in shape of a corn sieve.
 MANESWORNE, perjured.
 MANNOR, MAYNOWR, use, possess.
 MARCHET, MARCHETA MULIERUM, the tax or fine paid by the vassal on marrying his daughter.
 MAST, most.
 MAYD, made.
 MEDE, MEID, price, gain, reward.
 MEDYN, midding, dunghill.
 MEKILL, much.
 MELL, meal.
 MELLING, intermeddling.
 MENIT, lamented.
 MENSK, honour, credit.
 MERCATE, MERKAT, market.
 MERK, a coin, value 13s. 4d. Scots, or 1s. 1½d. sterling.
 MES, mass.
 MET, meat, food, measure.
 METLUMIS, measuring instruments.
 METYN, meeting.
 MICHE, MITHE, great, much, measure.
 NICHT, might.
 MILN, MYLN, MELN, mill.
 MOCHNATH, MONATH, month.
 MODER, mother.
 MONE, moon.

MORTCLAYTH, pall carried over the coffin at a funeral.

MUFARIS, movers.

MULTURE, MOUTER, the fee for grinding grain.

MUTIS, meetings.

MYSTER, MESTOUR, need, want.

NA, neither, nor, no.

NED, need.

NEVOY, nephew, grandson.

NEX, NEST, next.

NIGHTBUR, NYCHTEBUR, NECHBUR, NEBUR, neighbour.

NIXTOCUM, next to come.

NOCH, NOCHT, not.

NOCK, a notch.

NOLT, NOWT, cattle.

NONE, noon.

NOTHER, neither.

NOVMER, number.

NOWK, corner.

NYFF, fist, the closed hand.

OBLIST, OBLYST, obliged.

OFTER, oftener.

OISTLARE, innkeeper.

OLES, unless.

ONLAW, unlaw.

ONSUSPEKIT, unsuspected.

ONSETTIS, buildings pertaining to houses.

ONY, any.

OPTENIT, obtained.

ORDANIT, ordained.

ORDINALE, ordinary.

OSSPYTALL, hospital.

OST, host, army.

ODIR, other.

OULK, week.

OUR, over.

OURSEAR, overseer.

OUTAN, without, except.

OUTFANGTHEIF, right of a feudal lord to try a thief who is his own vassal, although taken with the booty beyond his jurisdiction.

OUTHIR, either.

OUTLAND, out of the burgh.

OUT-REDE, to clear off debt, clearance.

OUTUTHOUS, outwith house.

OWNFORGEYFYNG, unforgiven.

OWTQYTYNE, payment of debt.

OYLE-DOLIE, oil of olives.

PAIS, PASS, weight.

PAKING AND PELING, giving an unfreeman the use of a freeman's name in buying or selling.

PALVEONE, PAVALEOUN, pavilion.

PANE, stuff, cloth.

PANEY, PENNE, penny, money without respect to value.

PAROCHE, PARYST, PAROCHIN, parish.

PARYT, (p. 10.)

PASCHE, PAISHE, Easter.

PATE, put.

PAYN, paying.

PENDICLE, a pendant.

PENT, pint.

PENULT, the last but one.

PEPPER, paper.

PERANS, appearance.

PERGYTIS, prejudice.

PERIT, appeared.

PERLYN, furnishing.

PERSEWT, pursued.

PERSON, parson, minister.

PERTENIT, pertained.

PERTINAND, PERTENYNG, pertaining.

PEST, PESTELANSCHIE, pestilence.

PETTE, petty.

- PEUDAR, pewter.
 PICK, a pike, a lance.
 PIG, an earthen vessel.
 PIKARIS, PYKARIS, pilferers.
 PISSANCE, power.
 PIT AND GALLOWES, privilege of having a pit for drowning women, and gallows for hanging men convicted of theft.
 PLANTEARIS, or PLANCEARIS, planks, flooring.
 PLANTTYS, complains.
 PLANYHEIT, complained.
 PLAYN, full.
 PLEBAN, the priest or parson of a church having dependent chapels or churches.
 PLETSLEUS, sleeve plates.
 PLEUCH, plough.
 POK, a bag.
 POND, pound.
 POSE, a purse.
 POSSET, (p. 289.)
 POWRSEFAND, POWRSONT, pursuivant.
 PREEISLE, strenuously.
 PRESENT, presented.
 PRESTHED, priesthood.
 PREVING, proving.
 PREVIS, PROVIS, proofs, witnesses.
 PREWELLE, privily.
 PREWAY, privy, secret.
 PRISSARIS, PRYSSARIS, pricers.
 PRIUE, PRIWAY, privy.
 PROFORAND, preferring.
 PROLOCUTOR, an advocate, one who speaks for another.
 PROMOFYT, promoted, removed.
 PROMYT, promise.
 PROPHET, profit.
 PROPORTIS, purports, means, shows.
 PROTHOGALL, a book kept by a notary public.
 PROUDE, swollen, protuberant.
 PROUDE MONE, full moon.
 PROVENTIS, profits.
 PROVIT, proved.
 PULDER, powder.
 PULTRE, poultry.
 PUNIST, PUNYST, punished.
 PURE, poor.
 PYNDYN, poinding, distraining.
 QUER, QUERE, QUHEYR, choir.
 QUHA, who.
 QUHAM, whom.
 QUHAR, QWAR, where.
 QUHARFORE, wherefore.
 QUHEILL, wheel.
 QUHET, wheat.
 QUHILK, which.
 QUHILL, QWIL, QWYL, till, while.
 QUHINGER, whinger, a short sword.
 QUHITE, white.
 QUHOWSONE, how soon.
 QUHYTCLEMES, discharges.
 QUITTANCE, QUHITIS, acquittance, discharge.
 QUOTIS, the portion of a deceased's goods payable for right of intromitting with his property.
 QWATH, what.
 QWEDER, whether.
 QWEST, inquest.
 QWYLIM, sometime.
 QWYSSONDAY, Whitsonday.
 QWYT, acquit.
 RACUNNIS, RACWNNEST, to recognise or reclaim lands from a vassal.
 RADE, RAID, an invasion, an attack by violence.
 RAID, rode.
 RAIKE, journey.

- RAITMASTERS, route masters. -
 RAKYNNING, reckoning.
 RAMFORCIT, crammed, filled up.
 RAMOFIT, REMUFYT, removed.
 RANGALD, crowd, rabble, disorder.
 RASS, rose.
 RED, rubbish, clearance.
 RED, (TO), to clear, to put in order.
 REDDAND, REDDING, separating.
 REDE, voice, counsel.
 REDIS, reads.
 REGNE, ring.
 REGNNE, reign.
 REGRATOUR, one who buys and afterwards
 sells merchandise for greater profit
 than is lawful.
 REIF, plunder, robbery.
 REIK, to reach.
 RELEWE, relieve.
 RELLYK, relic.
 RENUNSAT, renounced.
 REPERALIT, repaired.
 REPERLE, refit, repair.
 RESAUT, RASAWIT, received.
 RESETT, to harbour, to receive stolen
 goods.
 RESSAYF, receive.
 RESSONE, reason.
 RESSYNGIT, resigned.
 RETOUR, return.
 REVAR, robber, plunderer.
 REVESTRY, the vestry.
 RICH, RICHT, right.
 RICHT FURTH, immediately, forth-
 with.
 RICHT SWA, in same manner, just so.
 RICHTWIS, righteous.
 RIOT, RYOT, noise, contest, combat, as-
 sault.
 RIPIT, RYPIT, searched.
 ROBENE HUDE, a character in an ancient
 sport.
- ROUGH, rough, unshorn.
 ROWME, space, place.
 ROUNG, rung.
 ROUNG, a cudgel, any long piece of wood.
 ROUNG OR RUNG WHEEL. Of the two
 wheels in a corn mill, the one which
 has cogs and drives the other is
 called the *cog-wheel*, the other from
 its having spokes or rungs, the *run-
 g-wheel*.
 ROWS, rolls, rollers.
 RUD, RUDE, the Cross.
 RUD, RUDE, rood.
 RUDDIS, roods.
 RUGGING, tearing, pulling.
 RUMPILL, the rump, the tail.
 RYCH, RICHT, right.
 RYPLY, Ripely.
- SACRIT, consecrated.
 SAIP, soap.
 SAK, privilege to a baron to try vassals
 in his own court.
 SAL, shall.
 SALBE, shall be.
 SAMIN, SEM, same.
 SAMONY, so many
 SANCT, saint.
 SARK, shirt.
 SARTAN, certain.
 SARYT, vexed.
 SAUCH BUS, willow bush.
 SAUF, safe.
 SAWFAND, SAFAND, saving.
 SAWING, sowing.
 SAWL, soul.
 SCALING, dispersing.
 SCAT, share or right.
 SCAULDIS, scolds.
 SCEERING, (p. 414.)
 SCHEILL, a hut.

- SCHEUDSCHIP, ruin, destruction, dis-
 comfiture.
 SCHIR, SCHYR, sir.
 SCHO, she.
 SCHOIT, shoot.
 SCHON, son.
 SCHONE, shoes.
 SCHOWDER, shoulder.
 SCHULE, a shovel.
 SCHUPE, purposed, intended.
 SCHYN, skin.
 SCOILL, school.
 SCOTTING AND LOTTING, payment of
 duties.
 SCOTINYABLE, chargeable for duties.
 SCROW, a scroll.
 SE, sea.
 SEAND, fitting, becoming.
 SED, seed.
 SEIK, sack, sick.
 SEIK, to search.
 SEKER, SICKER, SYKKER, sure.
 SEKERNES, security.
 SEIKNES, sickness.
 SELLYN, shilling.
 SEMLABILL, similar.
 SEN, since.
 SEN, SYNE, since that time.
 SEEF, serve.
 SERIAND, sergeant, officer.
 SERSTE, searched.
 SERUIS, SERWIS, service.
 SERVAND, serving.
 SERVITOUR, servant, expressive of duty
 or respect.
 SERWIT, served.
 SESSING, sasine, possession, investiture.
 SEUTE, (pp. 326, 355).
 SHERIFFIS GLOWES, sheriff's gloves, a
 perquisite belonging to the sheriff.
 SHOWLDIER, soldier.
 SICHT, SYCHT, sight, examine.
- SIKE, SYKE, a marshy bottom with a
 small stream in it.
 SILLAR, SILUER, SYLUER, silver, money.
 SINDRI, SYNDRI, sundry, separately.
 SINE, SYNE, afterwards.
 SIS, SYIS, assize.
 SKAILTIS, slates.
 SKANDERIS, slanders.
 SKAITH, SKATH, hurt, damage.
 SKRY, cry, clamour.
 SLAK, an opening between hills.
 SLOATT, a bar, a bolt.
 SNEK, a latch.
 SODAN, sudden.
 SOITHALD, southward.
 SOJIRIS, soldiers.
 SOK, right of a baron to hold court in
 his own domains.
 SOLEMPNIT, solemn.
 SOLIST, solicit.
 SOM, SOUME, sum.
 SOUERTE, surety.
 SOULD, SULD, should.
 SOM, SOUME, sum.
 SOUME, SOWME, the relative proportion of
 cattle or sheep to pasture.
 SOWFYCHAND, sufficient.
 SOWKKAND, sucking.
 SPALD, the shoulder.
 SPATE, a flood, an inundation.
 SPEIDFUL, expedient.
 SPEKAR, speaker, advocate, procurator.
 SPET, a spit.
 SPON, a spoon.
 SPONYT, disposed, conveyed, bestowed.
 SPOS, spouse.
 SPRENT, a clasp of iron.
 SPULYE, spoil, to despoil.
 STABLIST, established.
 STAIK, to accomodate.
 STALLANCH SILUER, duty paid for liberty
 to erect a stall.

STAN, stone.
 STANCHEING, stopping, assuaging.
 STANK, a pool or pond.
 STAUF SUERD, a sword for thrusting.
 STEDY, an anvil.
 STEIKIT, shut.
 STENT, taxation.
 STING, a pike or spear.
 STIRK, a bullock or heifer between one and two years old.
 STOP, a pot or flagon.
 STOWPES, posts fastened in the earth.
 STRAIK, an instrument for stroking off all that is above the legal measure.
 STRAY, straw.
 STREKYN, STRICKEN, lowered, surrendered.
 STRENYEABILL, that may be distrained.
 STUD, stood.
 SUA, SWA, so.
 SUBDITIS, subjects.
 SUBSCRUIT, SUBSCRIWIT, subscribed.
 SUDDANDE, sudden.
 SUFFIAND, sufficient.
 SULD, should.
 SUMMER, one of the supports laid across a kiln.
 SUPERFLUE, superfluous.
 SUPLE, SWPPLE, supply.
 SUPERSPENDIT, over-expended.
 SURD, sword.
 SURPLES, surplice.
 SUSTER, sister.
 SUT, to seek.
 SUTE, suit.
 SUTIT, to be sought for.
 SUTTIS, the assise, attendance on the bailies by the burgesses in the court held by them.
 SWANE, Sweden.
 SWER, swear.
 SWISCHE, a trumpet.
 SWMTYM, sometime.

SWYRE, declination of a hill near the summit, the most level spot between two hills, the neck.
 SYDWAWDYK, side wall dike.
 SYTHIT, satisfied, compensated.

TA, one.
 TACHMENT, attachment, arrestment.
 TAKKYNG, talking.
 TALLO, (p. 302.)
 TANE, taken.
 TAPPING, selling.
 TASTERYS, tasters.
 TAVERNOUR, tavern keeper.
 TECAT, ticket.
 TEILLIT, tilled.
 TEXTOUR, a weaver.
 THA, these.
 THAI, they.
 THAK, thatch.
 THAME, jurisdiction in matter of bondage, perhaps also right to hold bondmen.
 THESAURER, TRESOREIR, treasurer.
 THIK, THEIK, to thatch, to cover a roof.
 THIN, thence.
 THIR, these.
 THOLE, immunity to a baron from payment of custom in buying, or the liberty of buying and selling on his own land.
 THORTOUR, across, athwart.
 THRANG, crowded.
 THREWCH, THROUGH, a sheet of paper.
 THRING, to press, to thrust.
 THROGAT, through-gait, passage.
 THWEN, ten.
 TIL, to.
 TILTH, tilled land, land to be tilled.
 TIMMER, TYMMER, timber.
 TINE, TYNE, lose.
 TINSALL, TYNSEL, loss, forfeiture.

- TIRVIS, TURBIS, turfs.
 TITULAR, one having a right to church lands or tithes.
 TOCHER, dowry.
 TOGIDDER, together.
 TOLBUITH, a prison, or jail.
 TON, TOUN, town.
 TOTHER, other.
 TOUKE, TUK, TWK OF DRUM, beat of drum.
 TOWRPYKIS, a stair of a spiral form.
 TRAISt, trusty, faithful.
 TRAISTING, trusting.
 TRAP, a ladder.
 TRAST, frame of a table.
 TREW, truce.
 TREWTH, truth.
 TREYN, wooden.
 TRONE, a weighing instrument.
 TRUBLANCE, disturbance.
 TRUBILLIT, disturbed.
 TUILYE, quarrel, broil, skirmish.
 TUK, TWK, took.
 TURNGREYS, a winding stair.
 TURS OF HEDDER, as much heath as a horse can carry on its back.
 TURSING, carrying.
 TUTOWRYS, tutors.
 TWA, THWA, two.
 TWICHING, touching.

 UMQUHILE, former, late, deceased.
 UNLANDIT, not in possession of lands.
 UNLAW, fine.

 VAIKIS, becomes vacant.
 VAIL, avail, value.
 VAKEN, vacancy.
 VALOW, value.
 VANTON, wanton.

 VERT, right to cut green wood.
 VERTU, industry.
 VESY, to visit, to inspect.
 VETH, (p. 99.)
 VIGILATICE, vigilant.
 VMQUHILE, former, late, deceased.
 VNCLENE, unclean.
 VNDERTANE, undertaken.
 VNDIR, under.
 VNE, one.
 VNLAW, unlaw, fine.
 VNREST, See Abbot of,
 VNVENYMT, unspotted, unstained.
 VNYT, united.
 VOLT, vault.
 VOS, voice.
 VSURFIT, usurped.
 VT, out.
 VTER, utter, utmost.
 VTHIR, other.
 VTTER, outter.
 VTMOST, outmost.
 VTOUTH, outwith, beyond.

 WAIK, watch.
 WAIKIS, becomes vacant.
 WAIR, sea weeds.
 WAIRD, prison.
 WAIST, waste.
 WAKER, WALKER, a fuller.
 WALD, would.
 WALIT, a wallet, a bag.
 WALKIN, WAKYIN, watching.
 WALTER, water.
 WAND, a badge of authority.
 WAND, a twig.
 WANGEL, evangel, the gospel.
 WAPPINSCHAWING, an exhibition of arms.
 WAPPYN, weapon.
 WAR, were.
 WARDE, guard.

- WARDIT, awarded, imprisoned.
 WARIT, spent.
 WARKLUMES, work implements.
 WAST, waste.
 WAU, wall.
 WAUK, to full cloth.
 WECAR, vicar.
 WECHT, weight.
 WEDDIT, waged.
 WEDOS, widows.
 WEDSET, alienation of property under reversion, a pledge.
 WEDY, a rope made of willow twigs, a halter.
 WEIR, WER, war.
 WEIS, weighs.
 WEKERIS, twigs.
 WERAND, wearing.
 WERAND, waiting.
 WESSAL, WECHEL, vessel.
 WESSE, ish, entrance.
 WESTMENT, vestment.
 WETTERIT, marked.
 WILLAND, willing.
 WIN, WYN, to work or raise as from a quarry.
 WINDY, vain, ostentatious.
 WISSERIT, (p. 419.)
 WIST, knew.
 WIT, know.
 WITE, WYT, blame.
 WITTY, knowing, intelligent.
- WITTYING, knowledge.
 WLE, oil.
 WNCHERSIABILL, (p. 141).
 WNDERSEDYLLIS (p. 178), subtenants.
 WOESTER, weaver.
 WOCHSAUF, vouchsafe.
 WODE, wood.
 WOLKLE, weekly.
 WORMING, (p. 417.)
 WORTHIS, waxes, becomes.
 Wos, voice.
 WRAK, sea wreck cast on shore.
 WSCHA, issue, expiration, close.
 WSSAY, (p. 124).
 WSWEL, usual.
 WYN TURRIS, to dry turfs by exposure to air.
- YARD, a garden.
 YAT, at.
 YEILD, barren, applied to cattle and sheep too young to bear.
 YEMAN, yeoman.
 YERLY, yearly.
 YETT, gate.
 YHED, YEID, YID, went.
 YHEMSALE, keeping, custody.
 YHER, year.
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