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THE

AUCHINLECK CHRONICLE.

M.CCCC.XXXVI.—M.CCCC.LX.—I.
The Auchinleck Chronicle:

ANE SCHORT MEMORIALE OF THE SCOTTIS CORNIKLIS FOR ADDICIOUN.

TO WHICH IS ADDED

A SHORT CHRONICLE OF THE REIGN OF JAMES THE SECOND KING OF SCOTS.

M.CCCC.XXXVI.—M.CCCC.LX—I.

PRINTED FROM THE ASLOAN MANUSCRIPT IN THE LIBRARY AT AUCHINLECK, AYRSHIRE, UNDER THE SUPERINTENDENCE OF THOMAS THOMSON, ADVOCATE, DEPUTY-CLERK REGISTER OF SCOTLAND.

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Introductory Notice.

The "Auchinleck Chronicle" was edited and printed by Thomas Thomson, Esquire, Deputy Clerk Register, more than half a century ago, for private circulation, but very few copies of it were issued at the time, Mr. Thomson intending to add Notes and Illustrations to it before distributing it. This intention Mr. Thomson did not carry into effect, and the whole remaining impression was sold after his death.

In a communication submitted to the Members of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, at their Meeting held on 8th January 1877, by David Laing, Esq., entitled, "Inquiries respecting some of the Early Historical Writers of Scotland," printed in Vol. 12, pp. 72-87 of the Society's Proceedings, he gives the following account of this Chronicle, viz.: "This short Chronicle of an obscure period of Scottish history was printed and edited by Thomas Thomson, Esq., Advocate, about the year 1817 or 1818, for private circulation. Very few copies, however, were distributed by Mr. Thomson, as he purposed to subjoin notes and illustrations, but this intention never was fulfilled. In the manuscript from which it was taken, it has the following titles:—'Ane Addicioun of Scottis Corniklis and Deidis,' and 'Heir followis ane schort Memoriale of the Scottis Corniklis for addicioun.'

"In the printed text of the Chronicle this ends on page 28, when the Editor entitles it, 'A short Chronicle of the Reign of James the Second, King of Scots,' and says:—'The historical fragment which forms the first part of this collection has been given with a scrupulous adherence to the original manuscript, not only in the inartificial and apparently accidental arrangement of events, but also in the errors of fact and of date, as well as in those of transcription which it exhibits. In that which follows, the same materials, with a few unimportant omissions, have been disposed somewhat more exactly in the order of
time; some of the erroneous dates and accidental mistakes of transcription have been rectified,' &c.

"From this arrangement it appears that the Chronicle extends from the year 1436 to 1460-1. It is usually called the Auchinleck Chronicle, from the circumstance that the MS. volume from which it was printed belonged to the Library at Auchinleck, Ayrshire.

"This manuscript is a large folio volume, written on paper, consisting of miscellaneous pieces in Prose and Verse, collected and transcribed from MS. and printed copies towards the close of the reign of James the Fourth, or before the year 1514, by John Asloan, who appears to have been a Writer or Notary at Edinburgh. According to a 'Table of Contentis of the Bake,' on the first leaf of the volume, numbered from cap. i. to lxxi., this Chronicle formed number xviii. of the collection. Most unfortunately the volume itself is defective of no less than thirty-four of these numbers, and these, for the most part, cannot otherwise be supplied. The transcriber, at the end of each article, besides the name of the author when known, usually adds this attestation, 'Explicit per M. Jo. Asloan,' or 'Scriptum per Manum Johannis Asloan.' That he uses ' M.' not in its usual signification as Magister is certain, as in another place he gives the attestation in the vernacular words, thus—'Written be the hand (per manum) of John Asloan.' This, however, is a matter of no great moment.

"The early history of Asloan's manuscript is not known. On the fly-leaf is the autograph signature, 'Alex. Boswell, 1730,' indicating the time when it came into his possession, no doubt in its very mutilated state.

"I do not recollect having seen Asloan's manuscript in its original state. It was brought to Edinburgh early in the present century by Sir Alexander Boswell, when the leaves were inlaid by a skilful person employed on such work, and bound in the General Register House under the superintendence of Thomas Thomson, Esq., Deputy Clerk Register. The manuscript, along with some others from the same library, remained in Mr. Thomson's hands for many years, until they were reclaimed by the late Mr. James A. Maconochie, Advocate, as one of the Trustees of Sir Alexander's son, the late Sir James Boswell, Bart.

"Alexander Boswell, Esq. of Auchinleck, was the representative of an ancient family of that name; he passed as advocate at the Scottish Bar, 29th December 1729; was raised to the Bench, and took his seat 15th February 1754 by the title of Lord Auchinleck, and died 25th August 1782, aged 76. His son James, the well-known biographer of Dr. Johnson, died in 1795, leaving two sons, both of whom were eminent as literary characters.

"The eldest son, Alexander, born in 1775, was created a Baronet in 1820, and was killed in an unfortunate duel 25th March 1822. The second son, James Boswell, a barrister-at-law in the Temple, is known as editor of Malone's important edition of the 'Plays and Poems of Shakespeare,' in 21 vols. The
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advertisement is dated 'Temple, May 1821.' Mr. Boswell died about eight
months after.

"To return to the Chronicle, it was undoubtedly the work of an unknown
author who flourished in the reign of King James the Second. From the title
'for Addicione,' we might infer that the original had been written on the mar-
gin of some special Scotichronicon. Asloane, who transcribed it, could not
have the slightest claim to be considered the author. It has, like Law's Man-
uscript, (No. II.),* obtained some notoriety from its containing a passage relating
to the Johnstones of Annandale, and was formerly (in 1841) produced as evi-
dence in a Peerage case not yet determined."

Mr. James Allan Maconochie, Advocate, Sheriff of Orkney and Shetland, "a
well-known book collector," died at his house, 122 Princes Street, Edinburgh,
on Tuesday the 25th February 1845, aged 56 years. His Library was sold by
Mr. Peter Scott Fraser, in his Rooms, 97 George Street, Edinburgh, on Friday
the 6th June 1845, and four following lawful days. In the Advertisement of
the Sale, while the names of various Books are enumerated, no "Manuscripts"
whatever were mentioned as being to be sold.

As respects the "Asloane Manuscript," commonly called the "Auchinleck
Chronicle," the following particulars are extracted from the "Minutes of the
Evidence adduced to the House of Lords in the claim of Sir Frederic John
William Johnstone, Bart., to the Earlom of Annandale, 21st July 1876,"
viz. ---

Mr. WILLIAM PATERSON was called in; and having been sworn, was
examined as follows:

(Mr. Fleming.) I believe you are a bookseller in Edinburgh?
Yes, I am.
Did you at any time purchase a certain book called the Auchinleck Chronicle
I did.
Is that chronicle now in your possession?
It is.
It is your property?
It is.

* Law's Manuscript—"De Chronicis Scotorum Brevia, 1821." Mr. Laing remarks that
"This Manuscript, which is preserved in the University Library, Edinburgh, is in a small
hand, filled with contradictions, was found to contain some particulars relating to a conflict
between the Johnstones and the Douglases in the year 1458; and the Volume was to have
been produced in evidence in the Annandale Peerage Case, had not the death of Sir George
Frederic Johnstone of Westerhall, in May 1841, put a stop to all immediate proceedings in
that claim."
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Did you acquire it as a bookseller in the ordinary course of your business? I did.
From whom did you purchase it?
From Mr. Peter S. Fraser, a well-known citizen of Edinburgh, in the year 1867.
Was he also a bookseller?
At one time he was a bookseller. Afterwards, he was an auctioneer; and latterly, I think he was an insurance agent.
Was there a sale of the library of a Mr. Maconochie about the year 1845?
There was, I believe, in 1845.
Was Mr. Fraser employed to sell the library of Mr. Maconochie in 1845?
I had the curiosity lately to turn to the Scotsman newspaper of that time, and I found that it was recorded there that he had sold that library. That is all I can say.
Is it within your knowledge that Mr. Fraser had this book?
Yes, I know that Mr. Fraser had this book when I bought it; but it is not within my knowledge that he had it previously.
It was from Mr. Fraser that you bought it, as you have told us, in the ordinary course of your business?
Yes.
And you now produce it?
I have it here (producing a volume).

Then David Laing, Esquire, was called in; and having been sworn, was examined as follows:

(Mr. Fleming.) I believe you are a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland?
I am.
And I believe you are Keeper of the Library of the Writers to the Signet at Edinburgh?
I am.
How long have you been interested in antiquarian research?
For at least half a century.
Were you acquainted with the late Mr. Thomas Thomson?
Perfectly.
Did he hold any office in Scotland?
He was Deputy Clerk Register for nearly forty years.
Was he employed by the Government in any manner in connection with the Records of Scotland?
Certainly; that was his appointment. He had the entire arrangement of
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the Records, and their publication, and he had many persons employed under
him to assist him. One of his great works was the edition of the Acts of the
Parliaments of Scotland, extending to several large folio volumes.

Had he for the purpose of compiling that book many private records and
documents in his possession?

He had, from all quarters; from noblemen and private parties. They were
in his charge in the Public Record Office in the General Register House, and
some in his own library.

He obtained them from all quarters?

He had the free use of them.

They were placed in his hands by various noblemen and gentlemen from
their charter chests?

Yes, certainly.

Was he considered a person of authority in historical matters?

He was looked upon as the principal man in that department in Scotland at
the time. He was very judicious, and very intelligent and learned, but it was
thought rather dilatory in getting work through his hands.

Did you see in his possession this book called the Auchinleck Chronicle (the
volume produced by the last witness being shown to the witness)?

I had frequent occasion to see the book, and I made a list of its varied con-

tents in prose and verse. There is no date to this list which I have here, but
it was made before 1821. As I understood there was some doubts about
whether this was the original manuscript from which Mr. Thomson had printed
the Chronicle, I brought up for the purpose of proving it a list of the contents
that I myself made; this must have been before 1821, as it is marked "In the
possession of Alexander Boswell, Esq., of Auchinleck," and he was created a
Baronet in that year.

Is this the book that you saw in the possession of Mr. Thomson?

Undoubtedly it is, because I can verify it by this list.

Irrespective of that, have you any doubt that it is the same?

Irrespective of that, I have no doubt whatever.

It is the book that you saw in Mr. Thomson's possession?

It is the book I often saw in his possession, sometimes in his own house and
sometimes in the Register House, and I have copied many articles from it.
Amongst other things, Mr. Thomson printed that Chronicle, and Sir Alexander
Boswell, the proprietor, also printed other portions from it in a separate form for
private distribution. There was a select society set going in Edinburgh called
the Bannatyne Club, of which Sir Walter Scott was the founder and president,
and Mr. Thomson the vice-president, for printing books connected with the
history and literature of Scotland.
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Did you make on such occasions any examination of this book?

I had occasion to do so. I was just going to mention that the object of the club was to print books for the members, not for sale, and Sir Walter Scott insisted that I should act as secretary. The club was carried on for upwards of forty years; and here is a catalogue (producing a volume) of all the books they published. One of the first books they printed and circulated, in 1823, for that club was one from that manuscript that I contributed myself, having got the use of a transcript from Mr. Thomson of a very obscure poem called the Buo of the Howlat. This list of the books was published in 1876 after the club was dissolved.

Was the Auchinleck Chronicle one of them?

No; it had previously been printed.

At what date was the copy of the Historical Fragment of the Reign of James the Second, contained in this book, first printed?

I cannot exactly say in what year it was printed; but it was printed privately, and as Mr. Thomson never finished the book in the way he intended, he only circulated and gave away some copies, of which I got one from himself in 1819. He also gave me an engraved facsimile of one of the pages of that Chronicle (producing a paper).

Is this a facsimile of one of the pages of the Chronicle which was published at that time?

It was made for the Chronicle, but it was never circulated. That, as I have said, was before 1819.

Are you satisfied that the published copy thoroughly agreed with the original?

I had occasion to compare it, and I found nothing to correct in it. I compared it both then and at subsequent times.

Do you know how Mr. Thomson obtained this book or from whom he obtained it?

Yes; he obtained it on loan with other Manuscripts from Sir Alexander Boswell, Baronet.

Is Sir Alexander Boswell’s name on the book?

No; but it had been acquired by his grandfather, one of the Lords of Session, of the same name of Alexander Boswell. He had acquired it in March 1730; according to the date (pointing to a page of the volume.)

Do you know that handwriting?

Yes, I have it frequently before me.

Do you know this writing to be the writing of Sir Alexander Boswell?

No; I refer to Alexander Boswell the Lord of Session, known as Lord Auchinleck, and whose name appears in this book.
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Alexander Boswell’s name with the date of March 1730 is in the first page of the book?
Yes.
And you know that to be his writing?
Yes, I do.
Do you know how this book became bound in this manner?
It was bound in this way before I saw it. I never saw the book in its original state; before I saw it it had been put into Mr. Thomson’s hands for the work he was engaged upon in connection with the Public Records. It was bound in the same way at that time, and in that state it remained in Mr. Thomson’s possession for a very long while.
Is the writing of the whole book or almost all of it in one hand?
It is all in one hand throughout the whole book, except, perhaps, one or two leaves which are of no importance.
Those do not affect this Chronicle of the reign of James II.?
No, not at all.
In this book do you find a writing entitled “A short Chronicle of Scottish Events”?
Yes; here it is: “Here follows a short memorial of the Scottis Cornikles for additioun”—that means to enlarge the chronicles of the time.
That chronicle has been in the book ever since you have known the book?
Undoubtedly. It forms No. 18 of the original contents. I see here “Item one tractate drawn out of the Scottis Chronicles;’ “Item one tractate of the Kings of Scotland beginning” so and so; and one of those items is “An Addition to the Scottis Chronicles,” and then there are the different contents.
Do you know what person is supposed to be the writer of this volume?
John Asloane; his name appears in various parts of the book.
Are several of the writings signed by him?
Yes, they are; here is one (pointing to a page in the volume).
They are all in the same handwriting?
Yes; they are all in the handwriting of John Asloane.
Do you know what position Mr. Asloane held?
I did not know; but I brought a volume which perhaps will show who he was. At the sale of the library of Mr. George Chalmers, the author of “Caledonia,” which was sold upon his nephew’s death in 1842, amongst other manuscripts that I purchased were his “Collections for a History of Scottish Poetry;” amongst these collections there were various transcripts which I had bound up some years ago, containing a minute description of the Asloane manuscript, with transcripts of portions of it, which I have here (producing the same). Here they begin (pointing to Chalmers’ Collections): “The Scottis Chronicles, written in the early part of James V. reign,” and so on.
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Does he say anything about the position of the writer?
Yes, here it is at the end; it is very legible: "There was a person of the
name of John Asloa, who was a procurator or advocate in the reign of
James IV., and he was no doubt the compiler of the manuscript. On the
5th of February 1494–5, before the Lords of Council at Linlithgow, John
Asloa appeared as procurator for 'certain persons,' and protested that they
having been summoned at the instance of Lord Herries of Terregles," and
so forth. Mr. Asloa appeared for them as a procurator in 1494–5. Then there
are some further facts about him.

What you are reading from is a book in the handwriting of Mr. Chalmers?
It is; I bought it on the death of Mr. James Chalmers, a nephew of George
Chalmers.

You are acquainted with the writing?
Yes. I am perfectly acquainted with the writing both of Mr. Chalmers and
his nephew, who was his assistant in his various publications. George Chalmers
was the author of the important and well-known work called "Caledonia."

Have you carefully examined this manuscript, purporting to be a short
chronicle of the events of the reign of James II.?
I have.

What is your opinion as to the date of the writing?
The date of the writing is very clear, about the end of James the Fourth's
reign, that is at least sixty years after the last date in the Chronicle.

After the events mentioned in the Chronicle?
Yes, after the events mentioned.

But you are of opinion that it is writing of the latter end of James the
Fourth's reign?
Undoubtedly.

What is your opinion as to the authenticity of the book?
From looking at this Chronicle it appears to be a genuine collection of notes.
I have never examined it historically, but it appears to be a genuine collection
of additions to the ordinary Chronicles of Scotland which were then circulated.
The materials for the reign of James II. are very scanty, and therefore this has
always been regarded as a work of importance.

It has been known for a considerable time?
Yes; it has been known at least since early in this century.

And the writing which you have referred to on the first page of the book is
that of Alexander Boswell in 1730?
Yes.

You saw this Chronicle in the hands of Mr. Thomson?
I did, very often.

Do you know what became of it afterwards?
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I happen to know that this and some other manuscripts of which Mr. Thomson had a loan from the Auchenleck Library were, I cannot say in what year, claimed back by one of Sir Alexander Boswell's executors, Mr. James A. Maconochie, an advocate, and they remained apparently in his possession until his death, and had not been sent back to Auchenleck.

From Mr. Thomson's possession this book went into Mr. Maconochie's?

Yes; he claimed this and other books as an executor of Sir Alexander Boswell.

You have no doubt that this is the very book that you saw with Mr. Thomson? I can have no doubt of it.

Do you know as a fact that Mr. Peter Fraser sold Mr. Maconochie's books?

I know that after Mr. Maconochie's death his books were sold by auction by Mr. Peter Fraser.

After Mr. Maconochie's death you know as a matter of fact that his books were sold by Mr. Peter Fraser?

Yes, and having attended the sale as a purchaser I know that this manuscript was not in the sale, because at the time I made special inquiries about it.

Cross-examined by the Solicitor-General for Scotland.

I think Mr. Thomas Thomson was a celebrated antiquarian as well as the Keeper of the Records?

Yes; he was always esteemed a most accomplished scholar.

And he took a great interest in the Bannatyne Club, which was a society of antiquarians?

Not exactly antiquaries, but lovers of literature and collectors, including several of the nobility in this country as well as in Scotland.

You never saw the book except in his possession until recently?

I would have said "No" to this question some time back, but I find that it had been produced when Sir Frederic Johnstone's Agents were taking legal proceedings many years ago, and I was asked to depone something about it, but I never saw it since.

From the handwriting of the compilation do you think that it was written at a period of about 70 years at least after 1455?

I would say the date of the handwriting was between the years 1512 and 1520.

Is that manuscript referred to or mentioned by any contemporary writer so far as you are aware?

No; it is a miscellaneous collection in verse and prose, many of which exist in other forms.
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Is it known whether they were original compilations or mere transcripts from other writers?

Apparently they are transcripts.

No originals?

No, not originals.

Is there anything except the merest conjecture, for supposing that Mr. Asloan the advocate was the same person as this writer, Mr. Asloan.

Yes. I think there is no doubt of it. Here is Chalmers' authority for it (pointing to Chalmers' "Collections.")

What was the date at which Mr. Chalmers wrote; was it not an ancient matter even then?

Certainly; it might be considered ancient then.

When did Mr. Chalmers write?

I remember the nephew being in Edinburgh collecting materials from the Public Records for his uncle's publications.

At what date was that; was it in this century?

Yes, in this century; perhaps about 1812.

And this compilation was written in the beginning of the 16th century.

Yes; as he states here.

Had it ever been published before a partial publication was made of its contents by Mr. Thomson during this century as a matter of antiquarian interest?

Some of the poems had been published; I printed two or three myself at various times.

Is there any evidence of the Chronicle having been published or made known at the date when this compilation or these transcripts were written?

No; I am not aware of any.

Or for a couple of centuries afterwards?

No, I would say not until Mr. Thomson's time.

You published, I think, certain poems and fables of Robert Henryson?

I did.

And you included, I think, in that volume of poems and fables part of this manuscript which contains this Chronicle?

I did so.

I think, having reference to Mr. Thomas Thomson's Publication of a part of the work for the Bannatyne Club, he states in the preface, "This historical fragment, intitled, 'A short memorial of Scottish events,' which forms the first part of this collection, has been given with a scrupulous adherence to the original manuscript, not only in regard to the arrangement of events, but also of the errors of fact and date, as well as in those of transcription, which it exhibits;" is not that so?
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Yes.
And afterwards he says, "several known or suspected errors have been suffered to remain?"

Yes.
That is Mr. Thomson's notandum upon publishing the work for the Bannatyne Club.
I have already said it was not printed for the Bannatyne Club, but he distributed some copies privately.
That was his observation, which was made public at the time, that he gave it to the club or to his friends.
Yes; about 1819.

Re-examined by Mr. Fleming.
As an antiquarian and as a person learned in the historical matters of Scotland, do you look upon that as an authentic chronicle or not?
I certainly do.
Have you any doubt about it?
I have no doubt. It may be incorrect in some points which might be found out, but we have no means of ascertaining them from a want of other accounts of the events of the time.
So far as your knowledge goes of the facts which are stated in it, is it correct?
I would say so.
Is there any better record of the same period?
Not that I am aware of. There is a history from 1436 to 1456 by John Leslie, Bishop of Ross, for instance, but that is of a later date; it was written in the reign of Mary Queen of Scots, and was printed for the first time in 1830 at the expense of the Bannatyne Club, with extra copies for sale.

Prefixed is a copy of the Facsimile of one of the pages of the original Manuscript as referred to by Mr. Laing.

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T. E. S.
Ane addicioun of teot-
tis Corniklis and Deidis.
Here follows a short memorial of the Scottis coronilis for addicion.

It is to wit that Regnet befor the pict of July xxviiij day of May, the moneth this. The pict Regnet leij gef fra pay began or pay war distroyit. Scotland was a kinsk befor the Incarnacioun CCCC xiiij gef

The gef of god Jow iij C xxviiij day of September allane stewart lord dernlie was slane at polmais thorne. be thomas boyd vnd ane assurance takin betwix them.

The gef of god Jow iij C xiiiix day of July thomas boyd was slane be alexand Stewart buktuth t his fonis t mathow stewart w his bro broth and vp syndry

That samyn gef pe thrid day of August. The lord kalendar pay alexander levings touinh b' tyme beand i pe castell of Sterling. pe qwene. Tuke pe qwene and put hir in ane chalmor and kep hir stratlye fyn till scho was lowfit be pe thre estat at pe counfall haldin at striuiling b' famy gef pe last day of August. And b' famy tyme he tuke b' James stewart pe lord of lornis brof b' Willi' stewart t put pam i pitt beet bollit pay at b' samyn counfall b' James was borowit be pe lord gordouijn b' ale Setoune lord of pay ylis b' Willi' of crechtoun b' tyme chancellor vnd pe pane of thre thousand.

The samyn gef pe xiiiij day of September Moi of calquhane pe lord of baif was slane i lauchmarryne vnd ane assurance be lauchmar m'chanis and murthow gibbof
The famyn tyme þar was i Scotland a gret derth for þe boll of quheit was at xi § and þe boll of ete mele xxx § And wrały þe derth was sa gret þat þe deit a passinge peple for hungeþ. And alþ þe land ill þe wame ill was to violent þþ þe deit ma þþ geþ þan eð þe deit ouder in pestilens or gits in ony vþ feikmeþ i Scotland And þat famyn geþ þe pestilens come In Scotland and began at drýfres. And ÞiIt was callit þe pestilence but Þi cy for þar tuke It nai þþ eð recouþit bot þaj deit wþin xxiiiij hourþ.

The geþ of god þþviiij c triij þe x day of Þi che erl James douglas deit at þe castell of abercorni to þe takin þaj faið he had i hi four flane of talch and maiþ.

Thar faucht oþi mydsomeþ day in sanct Johnoþ Þir Willam rowane Johoþ gorme stewart of athole quhar þþ was Þlane Willam of rowthwan and ane man wþ him oþi his fyð þ na ma And oþi þe toþ fyð þe faið Johoþ gorme gilcriþ makýþ and of þai Þlane out of hand of gëtill më þ þemen xviiij þ ma þ mony hurt in prell of þþ lyf. That gat away And þis bargane was done oþi þe north Inche of sanct Johnoþ i all for þe takin of a man for thift þþ þe faið Willam tuke.

F. 128. The famyn geþ for faið þe xv day of Julij Schir Robert sempill þan beand i þe castell of dûbertan and þef deput to þe lord erikyn and þatrik calbreth beand in þe ower bailge havand þe entre be him þelþ at wallace towþ and þe king of þe ower balge The faið þ þer Robert put out þe faið þþ þatrik clerlie fra all governans of þe castell subtelly And
gart him remuf his geir And oñ pe morne pe said patrik paft agane to pe castell t' gat entre to remuf pe laif of his geir and had in w' him bôt iij or iij vnharnest men Neôplest he tuke pe portar t' wan pe ouñ balze clerlie oñ force and was pmendit for his takin t' suplet be pe tovne of dunbertane And schortlie he put out pe said b' Robert of pe neñ balze t' remanit git w' pe hale castell eft ñat

Itñi b' famyñi geñ pe xxth day of august Erle Willaññ of dowglañ James loñ at pe pmand of king James pe secund come to bernetouñ in louthian w' ane gret oft and w' him pe forfaid kingñ counßall beanda w' him and his housñald And schortlie he akit pe houñ oñ pe kingñ behalf and schew pe kingñ lñez of pmandement to ask It And futhlie androw crechtouñ þan beanda þin capítane anßwerd sayand ñat pe houñ was i pe kingñ hand and nychole of borthuik and James of crechtouñ war wñd burrowis to pe þef b' Willaññ of crechtouñ and þai put i be hi oñ pe kingñ behalf And said þaj walñ no' gif him pe houñ bot gif It wañ of pe þefñ bidding And þan þe erll remanit about pe houñ in prop persoñ iij days t' iij nyñt And oñ pe sñt day he schew pe kingñ baneñ And þan þaj gaf It our condiçonaly þat þaj sulñ haf fredome vj dayñ to remuf þ gudñ þ þai self And he keft It dovne w'ín iij dayñ eftñ

Thar was aue counßall genñale halðin at striling þe ferd day of nouebeñ In þe hendñ end of þe q'ñ counßall þaj blewe out oñ b' Willaññ of crechtouñ and b' george of crechtouñ t' þañ adñtence And Incôtinñt eftñ þe out blawing b' george t' b' Willa tuke away b' boñ fosterñ gudñ þ' Is to
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lay schepe t nolt And syne l' george take pe aril of douglas horf and brynt his græg of abircomne t strabrok t vj five placę. And brynt pe lamy tyne pe blakness.

The gef or god l0 iiij xlv. pe last day of maij Schir James Stewart of aunchingowne was slane t ane w' hii at drúglas bedyd kirkpatrick be pe lard of duchall and alex' pe lyle t ŧ child and erdit i pe kirk of dūbertane And pat lamy tyne Robyn boit send l' alexander cūmysghane chaplane to Robyn kalendas to pe kirk of cardroś to l' James wyf est pat he had cūmys fra pe slauch of hir husband and bad hir cu to pe castall and said paj suff send hir hame i a bair t warned hir for paj gart hir to rew ŧ was men waitand hir oii horf t fut to tak hir. And schordlie thrō l' alex' fair langage and hecht' scho passit w' hii and soon w'in vj day' est for ditef scho toke hir childill. And was f. 194. Delitit befoir hir tyne ix oulkt of ane knaif child pat liisit no' ane houf. And was erdit bedyd his fa'd' in pe kirk foresaid.

Ane thousand iiij xlv. Thar decestit i pe castall of glasqw Maist' Jhoii caim thrown bishop of glasqw apo>n gule ewyne pat was bishop xix gef. The lamy gef Archebald of dunbar take pe castell of halis of sanctandran day pe spit and syne cowardlie gaf it over to pe maist' of douglas sodanlie;

Thar was ane pliament hailin at perth pe v day of Jain be king James pe secund and Remanit par bot iiij dayli. And was cōtinewit till Edinburgh becaus of pe sege p' was liand about pe castell oii pe king' behalf. And l' Wifla3 of crechtoun was i till It. And held It ix oulkt t jen gaf It
of the Scottis Cornhillis.

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to pe king thrò tretý And pe xv day of Julij pe quene his moder deit i dunbar and was erdit in pe charthouf of perth. And Incontinent pe lord halis gat our pe castell of dunbar thrò tretý

This quene forsaid was callit Jane. And sçó was pe duke of lothian dechter of king James pe first spousit in england. For till help to loup him furth of it. And he gat oîh hir James pat was king and ane noîh soîh callit alexander. And sçó balîh paith pir sônis oîh a ny. Ifin he gat wîh vj dechter. Pe eldest was callit migaret pe was balîh wyf. Wîh wîh toîh. And was spousit pe dalpin of fraunce. The secund was callit Eleonor ȝ was spousit wîh pe duke of bretaña.

The geî of god 1053 xiv pe xxiij day of January. The erl of huntlie and pe ogilbeis wîh oîh pe tapt. And pe erl of crawfur and pe tòp part met at pe geît of arroth oîh ane sônday laite and faucht. And pe erl of huntlie and Wît ogilby sîed. And ȝ was sîne oîh ȝ pty ȝ leô Ôíh oliphant land of aberdalghy ȝ Wilham forbes. Sçîh alex, barclay alex. Ogilby Dauîd of aberkerdach wî pe syndry. And oîh pe tòp pe erl of crawfur and hir seld was hunt i pe feild and Deit wïn viij day. Bot he ȝ his soîh was pe seld and held it. And eîh ȝ a gret tymel held pe ogilbyis at gret tyciesiem and toke ȝ gud. ȝ Destroyit ȝ plact. ȝ c.

Ifin ȝ was ane richt gret herchipen maist i syff be pir plonis. The erl of crawfur and James of kevinghouât ȝ tyme kepît to pe king and capitane of ñimling. The ogilbeis all ȝ Robert reisch pe land of kadosch and wî syndry. And
pis herfschip was maid oð sanctandre land be þe maist force And Incotinet est bıschope James kenedy curst solempnitiw w国务 myter t slaf buke t candill contynuall a geþ And Intedytit all þe plant quhar þir þronis waþ And þe samþ day xij moneth þpat þis herfschip was maide þi happinit þe fald batale betuix þai And þe forfaide erll of craufurd lay four days abone þe gerd / t þi durst no man erþ him quhill þe forfaide bıpope send þe þor of sanctandre and

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F. 125. þaj cryit him lustēnen And sone est þis þaj worthit alþ strange as ed þaj war / And at þis tyme þaj gat þe erllis fele to consent to þe trewis And Incotinet þaj send furth shawduñ þe kingþ herroð to lundouñ to bynd wp þe trewis And alþ falt as þ James of douglas gat wit herof he paþ till londone Incotinet / And quharfor men wift noþ redelye bot he was þæ þe king of ynglend lang tyme and was mekle maid of

The geþ of god þ Edward þe xxv day Junij Thar was haldin a pliament i Edþ be king James þe secund To þe quþ pliamet þe forfaide erle Witham of douglas come and put hi body landþ and gude’ i þe kingþ grace And þe king ressult hi till his grace at þe Request of þe qwenæ and þe thre eslatþ And grantit hi all his lordschippis agane oustane þe erldom of Wigtoun That Is to fay galloway fra þe wart of Cre west and stewartouñ oustane þe landþ of pedynane of þe quþ þe erllis mod had consiúctfestmêt and charterit.
him new of all pe laif of his lord'schippis And gaf hî 't all
hî a fre Remissioun of all thingt bygane to ðe day forsàid
And all gud scottî më war ry' bly' of ð' accordance

That samyn der Erll Willaì of douglasë wes flane in ðe
castell of struilung be king James ðe secund ðat had pe fyër
nik in his face The forsàid king James ñend owt of struilung
wî Willaì lawder of haltouî a spëale aßoûans and respit
wnk his preve fele and ñubscriuït wî his awne hand And
all ðe lordî ðat war wî ðe king ðat tyme gaf bodely aithis
to kepe ðat respit ø aßoûance and ñubscriuït ìlk man wî ð
awne hand and all ðe lordî ðat war wî ðe king ð' tyme war
oblit supoð ðe king walð brek ðe band forsàid ð' ðaj fuld
let ðì at ð poøre. This beand done ðe forsàid Willaì of
lawdô of haltouî passit to ðe forsàid erll Willaì of douglasë
And brocht him to struilung to ðe king on ðe monûday
befor fastrêtnïevyni ðat was ðe xxj day of februaî And ðis
samyn monûday he passit to ðe castell and spak wî ðe king
ðat tuke richt wele wî hî be appërans and callit him on ðe
morne to ðe Dynëër 't to ðe supper/ and he come 't dynit
and ñowpit And ðaj said ð was a band betuix ðe said erll of
dowglasë and ðe erll of roô ø ðe erll of craufurd And eft
supper at ñevynë hoût ðe king ða beand in ðe Inner chaîî
't ðe said erll he chargit him to breke ðe forsàid band ðe
saïd he my' no* i nor walð no* Than ðe king saïd / falô
trato' ñeñ yow will not / I fall / And ñert ñodanly till him
wî anë knyf and straik him i at ðe coleî and downî i ðe
body And ðaj saïd ðat pat'k gray straik hî nîxt ðe king
With anë poll ax on ðe heç and strak out his harnes And
synë ðe gentillis ð' war wî ðe king gaf ðat ìlkane a straik

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or twa w' knyff. And þir ar þe names þat war w' þe king þat strake hī for he had xxvij wounds. In þe first s' alex boyd þe lord dernelie s' androw stewart s' william of gremston s' fymond of glendonane and þe lord gray 'tc.'

The geir of god joiij c Lij. The xxvij day of sicche s' james of douglas eril James secund soth for þe soule slauch of his broþ eril william of douglas Come oþ sanct patrike day ð kentry to stripling þ blew out xxvij hornis attanis apoþ þe king and apoþ all þe lordþ þat war with him þat tyme for þe soule slauch of his broþ And ischeu all þ feles at þe corþ oþ ane letter w' þ handþ subscriut And tuke þe left and band It oþ ane burd and cuplit it till ane hord tale and gart draw It throu þe towne spekand rich scanderfully of þe king and all þ war w' him þ tyme þ spulget all þe towne and brint It. And þ was w' hí his broþ þe eril of ormond And þe lord hamilton þ na ma lordþ. And þaj exceeded no' of gud më vj c. all þis tyme þe king was into perth passand to þe eril of craufurd

That samý geir Thar was ane pliamét hálsin in Edinburgh þe xij day of Junij be king James þe secund. And þ was forswaitt alex lyndesay the eril of craufurd and lord lyndesay ba' land lyf and gude. And in þat samý pliamét þar was put oþ þe ny' oþ þe pliamét hous. Þuir Ane lett wned s' James of douglas secle þ þe secle of þe eril of ormond þ s' James hamiltonis declynd frà þe king sayand þ þaj held no' of him nor wald no' hald w' him w' mony vj scanderous words calland þam trato' þat war his secret counsell. And þan þis pliamét was gtnewit for xv dayis þ
charget all man of man till be at Edinburgbaith oñ fut a
hor or ilk mä for hi self baith b burgh a land vnd pe pane
of ded a tinfall of b land

The qu day pej apperit all a temblit at pentland muñ and
war novmerit xxx Añd pe king him self pañt oñ south-
wart w pe ofñ to peblis felkriq drüfe a vfy syndry pt a
and did na guñ bot distroyit pe cütre richt fellony baith
of cornes medowis a wittalis and herijt mony ba' gentillmē
a vfyis b war w hí self

Itñ b was maid in pe foraid pliamet thre erlis vý
b James crechtouni sóñ a air to b Willasñi of crechtouni
b spouñt pe eldest fíñ of m'ray was belkit erll of m'reay
Itñ pe lord hay and constable of scotland was belkit
erll of eroll Itñ b george of crechtouni was belkit erll
of caithness Itñ b was maid vý or vý lord of pe pliam-
ment and banrent. In pe first pe lord Dernelie The
Lord aelis pe lord boyd of kilmañok The lord ñemýg
of cúmuñaid The lord borthuik of pat ilk The lord
lyle of Dowchale The lord of cathcart of b ilk Itñ
pe lord of lorñ Johñ stewart talgeit all his land to
pe male and surname in pe fáid pliamet. Itñ pe lord of
cathcart deit i pe famý tyme Itñ b george of creche-
touni ñext all his land to pe erldeome of caithness b
famý tyme Itñ b was syndry land to syndry men i
pis pliament be pe kingt secret counfall b is to fay pe lord
cambell to b colyne cambell to b aļx hume to b dauñd
home to b James keyñ and till vý syndry war rewardit be
pe fáid secret counfall pe quñ men demyt wald no' stand
The ze⁰ of god J⁰ iii c Lvn in þe beginynge of rich James þe secund keft doyne þe castell of Intawayne And syne Incœtinet past till glasqw And gaderit þe westland men w⁰ part of þe arechery and pastit to lanik and to douglas þ syne brynt all douglasdale and all awendale and all þe lord hamiltounis landes þ e herijt þai clerlye And syne pastit till Edinburg h þe fra þi till þe forest w⁰ ane oft of lawland men And all þe wald no¢ cai till hi furtwicht he tuke þ þe guðþ and brynt þe þe place and tuke faith of all þe gentillie clerlie And all þis tyme þe lord hamiltoun was in yngland till haue gottyn suple and couth get nane þe bot gif þe douglas and he wald haue bene yngliþ men and maede þe aith And Incœtinet eft þe king pastit in prop plou þ And put ane sege till abercorni And w⁰ in vij days lord hamiltouni come till him till abercorne And þe put him lyf lande and guð in þe king will purelie and Þempliþe throw þe menyþ of his Eme James of levingstouni That tyme chaliflane of scotland And þe king Refuit him till grace And þend hi oþ Incœtinet w⁰ þe erli of orknay þat tyme chancellor of scotland till remane i warde In þe castell of Roslyne at þe king will And þus he left þe erli of douglas all begylit as men said þ And men wist no¢ graþhlie quhar þe douglas was All þis tyme þe king remanit still at þe sege And þ was mony hurt and nane slane till fæct george daye outtane allane panto þat was þat tyme þe maist Ingenioun main þat was ðe scotland þ maist substell in mony Diþo thing And was slane w⁰ ane gange thrœ misgôourneyg of him self And was riche mekle menyþ þe þe king þe mony vþ þe lordþ Thus þe king remanit still at þe sege And gart firek mony of þe towre Dovn w⁰ þe gret gwn þe q¹h a franche man schot richt wele And falgeit
of the Scottis Corniklis.

na schot w'in a faldome quhar It was chargit hî to hit And

The king gadderit ane gret oft and past In yngland and f. 128.
did gret scaith and wan mony tow'r and houf

It̄n̄ þe xij day of maij James þe broðer of erl William of douglæs þat was slane i þe castell of struiling come to knapdale And spak þar w' þe erl of Roß and lord of ëlis And maid þai all richt gret reward of wyne clathis filk and ynglið clath And þai gaf þai mîtill agane And quhat was þar amang þai wes counfall to onwines And þai demyt ëll all

It̄n̄ þat þamyñ moneth and þēg ०' george of crechtouñ re-signit all his conquest land in þe kingt hand and maid him his aie And within vj days James of crechtouñ sone aie to þe saind george of crechtouñ tuke þe castell of black neð and his fader in contrar of þe king And Incotinêt þe king in prop þouñ put ane sege to þe blackneð And lay at It ix or x dayis And þan þat was gevin ouñ be trety And george was put to methsèn and gaf him þe land of strathurð for þe land þat he had conquest in louthiane

The hēfichipe of Întúkip be donald of þe ylis vîñ baloch w' þe power of þe ëlis w' him And þai said Jhon of douglæs ane baillard sone till archebald erl of douglæs was w' þai þaj war v'x of galays wele tald ò ma and of men v' or vj thousand This hēfichipe was done þe said geiñ The x day
of Julij And þ was slane of gud më xv and of wyff twa or thre and of barnis thre or fouër and of horf v or víc and of oxin and ky xo and ma And of schepe and gait a thousand t ma And þaj brynt þ' tyme ëtane townis In Inuñep víʒ about þe kirk Itsi þis faið donald w' his oft of þe Ilis herijt all arane And wan þe castell of braudwik And keft It downi to þe erd And herijt baið þe Ilis of Cerayes þe fãmy tyme Itsi þaj tuke crauchmet of bute þe fãmy tyme víʒ Jc bollì of male Jc bollì of mait Jc uth Jc uth of fãli

Ane thousand iiiic liið þe xxix day of August þ was cûmand to þe cathedrall kirk master george of lawde þ' tyme bishope of Ergyle fra his castall of auchindouñ eft þat he had bene in þe Ille of lesmoñ þat tyme xxx dayis and maif And þ was in his company þ' fãmy tyme maif hercules ñkrymgeo' plouñ of glasfar þ' Jhoñ m'arðho and þ' adam his príshe preist and alex' ñkrymgeo' þe plonis broþ and þe lord' awne ñuíñ of houshald t' nane vísis for þe lord come for gud treti and traitit nai evill This plouñ forsaìd brocht ane ñûmond' apoñ þ' gilbert m'achane þ' tyme chancellor of þe forsaìd cathedrall kirk and apoñ þ' morysh m'adgan þ' tyme thefâreñ of þe faið kirk The qu'k þ' gilbert and þ' morysh gadderit all hale þe clanachane and all vísis þ' þaj my'

F. 129. purches And send to þir më word þ' þe forsaïd bishop come w' þe forsaïd Clerk and þaj out of þar benefice and to put In þe forsaïd maist hercules And þus þaj Informit þe peple wranguiñy and begylit þaì for þe plouñ had no thing bot a ñûmond' apoñ þ' gilbert and apoñ þ' morysh m'adgan for a sentence disinitive That þaj gaf aganis him of his benefice þat he had Joyñt peceabily xv geñ w'
gotheray m’forfan becaus pat pis ñmond was apoil his chênonis pe lord pasfit in prop pisouni till haf maid gud tretye. And all fast as pis lord w’pir pisounis forsaïd come nei pe kirk win pe q’ter of ane myle. The forsaïd w’gilbert and w’e mory coome with all pe power pat pai my be i fere of were apoil pe forsaïd lord pe bishop w’hi company and spak till him self rict dispituoslie w’felloi words and scorn. And for disppte halift hi i errische fayand bahacha-dee And dispytfullly rest fra hi pe forsaïd maist hercules ’t pullit him fra his horf and brak pe lord’s belt and tuke pe clerke and his bros ’t harlitt ’t led pai away ry’ dispytfullly And band pe gentill man ’t tho to strik of his hed. And quhê pis fouill sup was done till god and haly kirk, ’pan pe lord wald haf paist o’hi his fute till his kirk, ’pan stert befor hi fayand That and he schupe to gang ry away pat pai fuld fla him ’t all pat war with him and pai war all about him and wald no’ lat him pai ony gait till he was oblif till asfolge pai of all thing pat ’pan was done pai. And for dreed of his lyf and his menis he grâtit throw confall of rure alamôñ. And yjis pat war w’him And ’pan pai come w’a fyrدمome ’t said pat pai come for na ill of him ne his child. And pai held pe clerk ’t his bros And oñ pe morne gart pai fweir pat pai fuld na follow him noñ of ñmond nor of ypir thing pai was done to pai be pai self na na yjis bot held ñ bullis and ñ fili and a filkyi twy and all yñ graith pai had pai was ouch worth yñ gournis clok hude bâmett and yñ small geir.

The geir of god yñ III. In ñ moneth of âche pe eril of Ross and lord of yñ lis tuke ñ castell of pe king yñ Inñ.
neb ourcwart and rothwane in badgenoch and stuffit pe castell of Inghne and wrquhart and keft dovne pe castell of rothwani in badgenoch And paj said p' he gaf pe keping of pe castell of wrquhart till his gud fader James of leving-flouli p' was eschapit subtelly fra pe king and his counsell out of pe abbay of halyrudhouf and was cūmand to pe lord for supple 't succo' pat refaut hī richt thankfully and take plane pt agane pe king for hī And said he had pe kings wyrt 't walx to haf pe castell of wrquhart for iij geir And he said pat pe king awne ploini gart him mary pe said James Douchl and hecht hī gud lordschiphe pe quī.

F. 150. he had nocht gottin bot ewyni pe 8trare i all thinges

The famyni geir pe xvij day of august par was slane Jhoi of sandelandt's sone and ar to pe lard of Caldor In pat tyme bot xx geir of age and his Eme James and ane man w' jam

Itthi pat famyn geir 't moneth par was drownit in pe watter of crawmound s' Johi logane of lefslrig kny' of pe age of xx' geir

Itthi pat famyn geir s' patrik of corntewn was slane i dunbertane oñ fet'day pe viij day of august be allane hog pat tyme portar

That famyni geir pe p'uilege of pe vniûsite of glasqow come to glasqow throw pe Instance of king James pe secund And throw Instigaçon of mañ' Willaûi turnbull pe tyme bishop of glasqow And was proclamit at pe croce of glasqow oñ pe trinite fonday pe xx' day of June And oñ pe morne ṣ
was cryit ane gret Indulgence gevín to glasqw at þe request of þai forfaíd þe pap' nycholes as It' war þe geñ of grace and w' all Indulgens þat þaj my' haf i ðome ðetennand iiiij monethis begynand þe ix day of Julij and ðurand to þe x day of noueber

Itní þe geñ of god J' iiiij' liij' In þe moneth of septemver deit alexander lyndesay erll of craufurd In fýevyne þat was callit a rigoruñ man and ane fellouñ And held ane gret rowme i his'tyme sfor he held all anguñ in his bandouñ þe was richt Inobedient to þe king

Itní J' iiiij' liij' Thar decefit i þe moneth of August gilbert hay erll of érrol

Itní þe famy geñ þe moneth þ decesfit i Edinbugh george of crechtouñ And in þe famy moneth and geñ þ James lord of crechtouñ decesfit at Dunbar And It was haldin fra þe king a litll quhile and syne gevín till hi; And in þe famy moneth and þe decesfit Joñ hámiltouñ þat was callit quhisslibery and was a licht mà i his tyme Itní in þe famy geñ þe moneth decefit i sìl'long androw cumyghame fone ð' air till Withgr of cumyghame of glen- goñok And þe famy androw spouit nigaret cambell þ' dúcane lord cambèl' doucht' And tuke viij' milk' of toucheñ þ' arit' þe land

And in þe famyñ moneth and þe decesfit þ' alex' Ramfay lord' of dalhouys And i þe famy moneth and þe decesfit Joñ of párk lard' of þ' lik Itní þat famy geñ þe moneth
deceit of william keith that was called one gentill kny\*e a w\*th\*th kin\*e pe sam\*y ge\*h a moneth pe lard of Jhonstounia twa \\*nis tuk pe castall of lochmabane apen pe lard of modestal, callit caruderis \* his ij. \*nis \* of twa or thr\* m\* \* all thr\* tressou\* of pe portar

f.151. And syne pe king gaf \*am pe keping of pe houf to his prophet and how that was men ferleit

Thar was ane richt gret spait in clyde pe xxv day and xxvij day of nov\*ber The quhilk brocht dow\*n baile houn\* bernis and millis and put all pe tow\* of gowane in ane floote quhill \*aj lat o\*n pe houn\*d

The ge\*r of god J\*n iiiij\* xlviij The xxv day of februair pe ma\* of douglas callit James and twa\* w\* him That is to say James of douglas bro\* to pe larde of lochlevy\* and pe lard of hautat facht in pe barres at striling agenis twa kny\*e and ane sqwyar of burgysge And pi\*r w\* \* names Schir Jak\* de lalane \* ymmond de lalane and pe larde of longawell \*at was pe sqwyar And pi\* was befor king James pe secund

That sam\*y ge\*r pe xxiiij day of october was pe battell of lochmabane stane w\*n pe pr\*che of Sanct patrik. Quharto of Douglas\* erl of ormond was chif\*ane o\*n pe-scott\* fy\* and w\* him Schir Jho\* Wallace of cray\* pe lord of Jhonstouni pe lord som\*wells so\*n \* air David stewart of castall myll pe sec\* of a\*w w\*y fy\*ndry gentill of pe west\* land and \* men was callit iiiij\* And o\*n pe yngli\* fy\*e pe youngar pit\*e Jho\* of p\*nyatoune Jho\* heratou\*n
war chiftanis And w' pai sex thousand of yngli six men
qu' par chiftanis war tane and xxv c më w' pai slane
Drownit v'c And oû pe scottc fy'd xxvj slane and tane/bot
na man of reputatoun war tane nor slane bot v' Jhoën
Wallace deit eft' pat he come hame throu misgounance

Ittī j' iiij c Lvj' Canỳghame and dalrūpill faucht in pe
barraß of striuiling besor king James pe secund

That samỳ gëf pe thrid day of deceber ħ decesit in glaqw
maître Willasù turnbull bischope of glaqc that brocht hai
pe pdouß of It

Ittī pat samỳ gëf pe last day of augusß deit i glaqw maître
Walter Stewart ħ' was lord pwand

Ittī ħ' samyn gëf ħ monetk Decesit i brechyn maître
Jhone crënok bischop of brechyn ħ' was callit a gud actif
and w'tuiss man and all his tyme wele goðnand

The gër of goð ħ' iiij clix pe pëult day of Junij Deceshit at
pallay thomas tarvas abbott of pallay pe qu' was ane richt
goð man and helpykyk to pe place of ony ħ' eû wes sorr
he did mony notable thingt and held ane noble hous
and was ay wele purvait he hand pe place all out of
goð rewie and desirit of leving and all pe kirkt i
lórde handk And pe kirk vnbiggit The body of pe kirk
fra pe brinkt fizar wp And put oû pe ruf he biggit
and chekkit It w' fclait and riggit It w' slane And
biggit ane gret porcious of pe fleeple and ane falttie get. F. 188,
houf And brocht hame mony gud Jowells and clathis of
gold filg t silk t mony gud bukt and maid stailie stailis
and glasynit mekle of all pe kirk And brocht hame pe
stailiest tabernakle pat was i all scotland and pe maist costlie
And schortlie he brocht all pe place to fredome and fra no
till ane my place And left It out of all kynd of det and at
all fredome till dispone as pai lykit And left ane of pe best
mytert p was in scotland and chandilar of filg and ane
lettren of bra∫ w mony v∫ gud Jowellc

Itn pe xvij day of August king James pe seunc maid his
first wayage in yngland w v∫ thousand men and brynt
and herijt xx mylis w∫n pe land And wan and distroyit
xvij towrc t fortaliceis And remanit o∫n pe ground of
yngland v∫ days and v∫ nycht And p∫ plewit pai ned yngliʃman w∫ ill nos∫ be day nor ny And come hame w∫ gret
worship t tynt no a man of valo

Itn Incotient pe yngliʃmen war gadderit wele till iiiij.or
v∫ thousand and come to pe marche and p discordit and
pasit hame w∫ ane gret velany viz pe duke of gork pe
eril of falibery w∫ mony v∫ syndry gret lordc of pe land

The ge∫ of gud c c c lx pe thrid sonday of august king
James pe secunci w∫ ane gret oift was At pe sege of Rox-
burgh and unhappily was slane w∫ ane gwn pe qu∫ brak
in pe fyring for pe qu∫ was gret dole thr∫ all scotland
And ned pe le∫ all pe lordc p∫ war par remanit still w∫ pe
oift And o∫n pe fryday e∫t∫ richt wysly t m∫fully wan pe
forfai∫ castell and tynt no a m∫ may In pe wysnyng of It
And þan þaj lorde Incōtinent send till Edinburgh for þe prince And þe said prince w' his modef þe quene ð bīchopis ð vþ nobillis come to kelśo oþ þe friday eftu þe deid of þe king And remanit þar quhili þe was crovni þ and quhill þe forsaid castell was waftit and diſtroyit And oþ þe sonday eftu þe was crovni in to kelśo And þe forsaid lorde paffit to þe castell of werk þ fone þaj wan þat castell And Incōtinef kēft It doune to þe erð And diſtroyit It for eðt Itfēn in þe tyme of þe coronaðoun of þe king þ was maid ma þan a hūdre' knyf'

Itfēn i þe moneth of Januar i þe geð forsaid. The p'nce of ynland and þe quene of ynland come in scotland to get help. þ fuple aganis þe duke of gorkæ and þaj come to drūfresf And þe quene of scotland þe duke of gillertand dometh þe forsaid p'nce þ his modef at kyndcloudane And þaj remanit þ toggid x or xij days And þaj said þaj war spekanþ of maraiage betuix þe forsaid p'nce And king James þe thridþ fīstþ And fī þaid þaj war accordit oþ baiþ þe sydtþ And in þe meynetyme The duke of gorkæ and þe erll of faliſbery þ þe dukæ fōni war flane w' vþ diþo lorde of þ company

The geð of god Jœ iiiij lx The erll of ergyle Colyne Cambell paffit in lorne for þe redempþoun of his cousing Jhoũ keif of lorne The qu' was tane be his broþ allane of lorne of þe wod fīst foþ to Downe baloch And schortlie þis erll forsaid w' his oisf come to þe ile of kerewra quhar þis allane had his broþ in fæfynans And his entent was to diſtroye him þat he my' haue succedit to þe heretage And schortlie
The famy gæf þe xxiiij day of februari king James þe thrid held his first pliament at Edinburgh to þe quíþ pliament come þir lordes wnde writtin That Þis to say þe lord of ylis þe eril of Roh and all þe lard of þe Ilis lord demlie and þe lord kalenda The lord hamilton And þaj dið litill gud in þe forsaíd pliament Bot þþ þaj ordanit sessionis to sit first at aberdene syne þe perth syne i Edinburgh And þaj left þe king þe keping wþ his moder þe qwene and godnyng of all þe kinrik And þfor þe lordes said þþ þaj was litill gud worth ba þpüale þe tempall That gaf þe keping of þe kinrik till a woman And Incotinët þe quene eft þis pliament put þe new kepæ In þe castell of Edinburgh striuling and dunbar viʒ i Edinburgh Androwe keyr In dunbar lord halis i blakneþ and striuling Robert liddale

Itf þe said quene eft þe deiþ of king James þe secund tuke mafto James lyndesay for þisipale counsalo And gart him kepe þe prevé folke nocht standing þat þe said mafto James was excludit fra þe counfali of þe forsaíd king þe ðra þe coþ þþ for his wray helynes And þad bene sone for þe ðe deiþ þad noþ bene he was redesmit wþ gold
Itis aft be derd of pe forfald king be lord of ylis past till
Inoned and take pe kinge fermes and all wittalis of pe
kinge. And proclamit all pe gude and pe lande of pe kinge
 till he hande. t gei remissionis and respitt. And for peir
caus he was fëmonde to pe pliament wnder pe pane of
forfalt. And comperit no. And pae rapsedit his caus
quhill pe feist of sanct Jhoin pe baptist. And tinetwite pe for-
faid pliament till pe day to be haladin i aberdene

Itis pe lord of curthous come till Edinburgh till


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of pe law and pe kinge profett, and of all pe Realme And f. 134.
pat pe kinge fuld cu be himselfe t his And pe qwene be hir self
 t hirrt, bot pe kinge fuld ay remane w' pe qwene Bot scho
fuld no. Intromit w' his profett bot allailie w' his pszen

The gei of god jii C.xx Archebed earl of Douglas t pe
duke of turane Deceisit i fraunce And In pe samy tyme and
place deceisit Jhoin stewart earl of burchane and constable
of fraunce

James of douglas sone to pe faid earl & Walter of bekir-
toune, & William of Setoun, & richert of bekirtouni & henry
bekirtouni goiano to pe scott archer, & alex' bekirtoini w'
mony vjis gud kny't and fowyert

Itis pat samy gei Robert stewart deceisit in pe castell of
striling and lyis in disfermling
Itti duke murthok decehit at striuling Walter Stewart
erl of levinox And 9' alexander Stewart

Itti J0 iiij 3 x xxvij The fals erl of athole his son and
Robert Stewart war put to ded at Edinburgh for treloun

Itti The erl of mar Alexander Stewart decehit

Itti J0 iiij 3 x xviiij Archebald erl of douglas and 9' son
to king James pe first deit at leistrig

Itti J0 iiij 3 xlv1 Erll Willaun of douglas archebald's son
beand pan xvij gre of age t his bros DaviD Douglas
was put to deit at Edinburgh and malcome slemyng of
beggar was put to deit in pat famyn place w'in three days
eft'

The gre of god J0 iiij 3 xlix 9' James auchenle was slane
be richert coluile pe xx day of apile And w'in v or vj days
towardlie gaf o' pe castell And was hedit and iiij 9' hi
And Incoitiniet eft' pat he come furth pe castell was caftin
dovii be erll Willaun of douglas James son

That famyn gre in pe moneth of may 9' James Stewart
pe qwenes kny' was tane apoii pe be be pe slemyng before
pe son t 9' was put to deit 't of pai pat come w' him viij xx
of ynglismen

That famyn gre pe xvij day of Juin qwene mary of scotland
come in scotland And pis qwene was pe duke of gillir.
lande doucht to the duke of burgone. Thar come with hir xiiij gret schippis and ane craike. In the qu' she was the lord of cansew xv of mei harnef. Maist' Jhoi ralstouh bischope of dunkeld anh sh' william of crechtouh chancellor of scotland. That tyme was the hame bringart of the qwene w' the counfall of the king of fraunce. The duke of savoy. The duke of ostricht the duke of bertane the duke of burguise. And all sh' war bundy. In suple 't mateinans of king James of scotland. And sh' king forfayed and sh' qwene war marij. At edinburgh the thrid day of Julij the sef forfayed.

Itnu in pat shamy sh' maist' william turnbill said his first. meb in Glasgow the xx day of september. And o' the monunday the xiiij day of september James of levingston was arrestit be the king. And robym kalender capitane of Dunbertane. And Joh' of levingston capitane of the castell of dovin. And Dauid levingston of. the grene gard w' stydry vsis and fone eft' pis sh' alex. levingston was arrestit and roby. of levingston of lothi w' pat tyme comptrolla. And James and his bro. alex and Robyne of lothi war put in the blackness. And sh' gud' tane within xl days i all place and put wnder arrest. And all sh' gud' sh' ptenit to pat pty. And all officer sh' pat war put in be ja' war clerlie put out of all officer. And all put dovin sh' pty put wp. And sh' was a gret ferlie. And in the shamy tyme the forfayed James dochter sh' pat was spoufit w' sh' lord of the Ils come till his sodanlie w' few sstus w' hir 't pty met i dumble the. Duncane sstone. And led hir w' hie to kyntyr the xiiij day of the said moneth
And It Is to wit þir first arresting was maid at þe brig of Inchebelle on kylywne betuix glasgow & kirkylulloch.

That samy gef þe xix day of Januar James þe thrid held his first plamant at Edinburgh In to þe quİ plamant þar was forfait Schir alex' levenghoui lord kalendar And James dūdaþ of þat Ìlk And Robert brus þe lard of clakmanANis broi And James of levenghoui lone & air to þe said alexander was put to deid And Robyne of levenghoui of lithqw þþ tyme comptrollar was put to deid baith togidd on þa caFFellhill þ heid' strikin of ë. The thrid day of þe plamant And þat samy tyme archebald of Dundaþ broi till þe said James of dūdaþ stuffit þe towir of dundaþ and said he said de and It baith attanis bot gif þe king did þai grace And at þe disolvynse of þe said pliamet þe king baith send þ come him self And akit þe said houf And gat It no as þan And Incotiné laide ane sege about It þat remanit quhill þe latt end of ap'le And þan It was gëvi ouþ And all þat war ë. It war put i þe king' grace And þaj war tane And sum send till a caFFell and sum till vjþis And þe houf was caFFyn downe And þe stuff þof þit betuix þe king and þe eril of douglas Schir with' of crechtouï And þ' george of crechtouï.

The gef of god i0 iijc & l, þe xix day of maij quene mary partit w' barne in striuling xij oulcf besor hir tyme And þe barne liFFit bot þe space of sex hour'.

Itni þe said geiF in þe moneth of Junij Thar was funding in ðifermlling a twalouF deid cor? In þe ryping of ane wall for first þ was found. About him a kist of stane.
And syne ane of tre 
 And syne 
 clothis of golde and silk als fresche as evir paj waf 
 And 
 pe cors bile in hyde 
 And It was 
 And men demyt 
 And men was maide.

The pear of god 
 The birnyng of dunbar be 
 young pace And 
 and robert ogil 
 the moneth of maj 
 that samy pear drufres was 
 brynt be 
 erll of salisbery i 
 the moneth of Junij 
 that samy pear erll willa of douglas 
 James soan 
 And 
 the erll of orknay angus 
 the ormond 
 brynt awnwik 
 the moneth of Junij 
 the thrid day And 
 come hame wele 
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 yngland 
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of dunda\$ And \$ fyndry gentill \( \textcolor{red}{\text{m}} \)\( \textcolor{red}{\text{e}} \) wele till iiij\textsuperscript{th} of cot-armo\( \textcolor{red}{\text{c}} \) o\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \)\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \) pat fy\( \textcolor{red}{\text{d}} \) And o\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \)\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \) pat \$ fyde willam of setou\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \) pe erll\( \textcolor{red}{\text{c}} \) bro\( \textcolor{red}{\text{f}} \) And vthir thre or four of gentill men \( \textcolor{red}{\text{e}} \) v or\( \textcolor{red}{\text{e}} \) sex of gemen And pe erll of hundie held pe feld And\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \) raid in angu\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \) w\( \textcolor{red}{\text{h}} \) thre or four thousand with him And pe erll of craufurd
A SHORT CHRONICLE OF THE REIGN OF
JAMES THE SECOND KING OF SCOTS.
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OF JAMES THE SECOND.

M. CCC. XXXVI.
ITEM, M. CCC. XXXVI. the fals erill of Athole, his son and
Robert Stewart, war put to ded at Edinburgh for tresoun.

M. CCC. XXXVIII.
The yer of God M. CCC. XXXVIII. the xx day of September, Allane Stewart lord Dernlie was slane at Polmais
Thorne be schir Thomas Boyd, undir ane assoverance takin
betuix tham.

M. CCC. XXXIX.
ITEM, M. CCC. XXXIX. Archebald erill of Douglas and
sister son to king James the first deit at Lestalrig.

The yer of God M. CCC. XXXIX. the vii day of Juli, schir
Thomas Boyd was slane be Alexander Stewart buktuth
and his sonnis, and Mathow Stewart with his brother, and
uthir syndry.

That samyn yer the thrid day of August, the lord Kalender, schir Alexander Levingstoun, that tyme beand in
the castell of Sterling with the quene, tuke the quene and put hir in ane chalmer and kepit hir stratlye tharin, till scho was lowsit be the thre estatis, at the counsall haldin at Strivling that samyn yer, the last day of August. And that samyn tyme, he tuke schir James Stewart the lord of Lornis brother, and William Stewart, and put tham in pittis and bollit thaim. At that samyn counsall, schir James was borowit be the lord Gordoun schir Alexander Setoune, lord of the Ylis, schir William of Crechtoun that tyme chancellor, undir the pane of thre thousand

The samyn yer, the xxiii day of September, Jhon of Culquhohne the lord of Lus was slane in Inchemuryne, undirneth an assoverance, be Lauchlane M’Clanis and Murthow Gibsoun.

The samyn tyme thar was in Scotland a gret derth, for the boll of quheit was at xl schillingis, and the boll of ete mele xxx schillingis, and werraly the derth was sa gret that thar deit a passinge peple for hunger. And als the land ill, the wame ill was so violent, that thar deit ma that yer than ever thar deit ouder in pestilens or yit in ony uther seiknes in Scotland. And that samyn yer the pestilens come in Scotland and began at Drumfres, and it was callit the pestilence but mercy, for thar tuke it nain that ever recoverit, bot thai deit within xxviii hours.

M. CCCXL.

Item, m. CCCXL erll William of Douglas Archebaldis son, beand than xviii yeris of age, and his brother David
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Douglas, was put to deid at Edinburgh. And Malcome Femyng of Beggar was put to deid in that samyn place within thre days efter.

M. CCCC. XLIII.

The yeir of God m. cccc. xlill. the xxv day of Mercche, erl James Douglas deit at the castell of Abercorn, to the takin thai said he had in him four stane of talch and mair.

Thar faucht on mydsomer day in Sanct Johnston, schir William Rowane, Jhon Gorme Stewart of Athole, quhar thar was slane William of Routhwan, and ane man with him on his syd and na ma. And on the tothir syd, the said Jhon Gorme, Gilcrist Makynar, and of thaim slane out of hand of gentill men and yemen xviii and ma, and mony hurt in perrell of thair lyf that gat away. And this bargane was done on the north inche of Sanct Johnston, all for the takin of a man for thiff that the said William tuke.

The samyn yer forsaid, the xv day of Julii, schir Robert Sempill than beand in the castell of Dunbertan, and schiref deput to the lord Erskyn, and Patrik Calbreth beand in the ower baillye, havand the entre be him self at Wallace towr, and the king of the ower baillye, the said schir Robert put out the said schir Patrik clerlie fra all governans of the castell subtelly, and gart him remuf his geir. And on the morne the said Patrik past agane to the castell, and gat entre to remuf the laif of his geir, and had in with him bot iii or iii unharnest men. Nevertheles he tuke the portar, and wan the outhyer baillye clerlie on force, and was
commendit for his takin, and suppleit be the toune of Dunbertane. And schortlie he put out the said schir Robert of the nether balye, and remanit yit with the hale castell etter that.

Item, that samyn yer the xx day of August, erle William of Douglas James son, at the command of king James the secund, come to Bernetoun in Louthian with ane gret ost, and with him the forsaid kingis counsell beand with him and his houshald. And schortlie he askit the hous on the kingis behalf, and schew the kingis letrez of commande-ment to ask it. And suthlie Androw Crechtoun than be-and tharin capitane, answerd sayand, that the hous was in the kingis hand. And Nychole of Borthuik and James of Crechtoun war undir burrowis to the schiref, schir William of Crechtoun, and thai put in be him on the kingis behalf, and said thai wald nocht gif him the hous bot gif it war of the schirefis bidding. And than the eril rema-nit about the hous in proper person iii days and iii nychtis. And on the fift day he schew the kingis baner, and than thai gaf it our condiconaly, that thai fuld haf fredome vi days to remuf thair gudis and thaim self. And he kest it doune within iii days etter.

Thar was ane counsell generale haldin at Strivling, the ferd day of November, in the hender end of the quhilk counsell, thai blewe out on schir William of Crechtoun and schir George of Crechtoun, and thar advertence. And inconti-nent etter the outblawing, schir George and schir William tuke away schir Jhon Fosteris gudis, that is to say schepe and
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NOLT. And syne schir George tuke the erll of Douglas hors, and brynt his grangis of Abircorne and Strabrok and uthir five placis, and brynt the samyn tyme the Blaknestis.

M. CCC. XLV.

The yer of God m. cccc. xl.v. the last day of Maii, schir James Stewart of Auchingowne was slane, and ane with him, at Drumglas besyd Kirkpatrik, be the lard of Duchall and Alexander the Lyle and thair childer, and erdit in the kirk of Dumbertane. And that samyn tyme Robyn Boyd send schir Alexander Cunnynghame, chaplane to Robyn Kalendar, to the kirk of Cardros, to schir James wyf, efter that he had cummyn fra the slaughter of hir husband, and bad hir cum to the castall, and said thai sold send hir hame in a bait and warand hir, for thai gart hir trew thar was men waitand hir on hors and fut to tak hir. And shortlie, throu schir Alexanderis fair langage and hechtis, scho passit with him, and sone within vi dayis efter, for diceis scho toke her childill, and was deliverit befor hir tyme ix oulkis of ane knaif child, that lisset nocte ane hour, and was erdit besyd his fader in the kirk forsaid.

Thar was ane parliament haldin at Perth, the v day of Juin, be king James the secund, and remanit thar bot iii dayis, and was continewit till Edinburgh, becaus of the sege that was liand about the castell on the kingis behalf. And schir William of Crechtoun was in till it, and held it ix oulkis, and than gaf it to the king throu trety. And the xv day of Julii, the quene his moder deit in Dunbar, and was erdit in the Charterhous of Perth. And incon-
tinent the Lord Halis gaf our the castell of Dunbar throu tretý.

This quene foraid was callit Jane. And scho was the duke of Somersydis doughter, that king James the first spousit in Ynglant, for till help to lous him furth of it. And he gat on hir James that was king, and ane nothir son callit Alexander, and scho bair baith thir sonnis on a nycht. Item, he gat with hir vi doughteris. The eldest was callit Mergaret, that was baith wys and vertuis, and was spousit with the dalphín of Fraunce. The seconnd was callit Elenor, and was spousit with the duke of Brettan.

The yer of God m. cccc. xlv. the xxiii day of Januar, the erll of Huntlie and the Ogilbeis with him on the tapart, and the erll of Craufurd on the tother part, met at the yettis of Arbroth, on ane fonday laite, and faucht. And the erll of Huntlie and Wat Ogilby flied. And thar was slane on thair party, schir Jhon Oliphant lard of Aber dalghy, schir William Forbes, schir Alexander Barclay, Alexander Ogilby, David of Aberkerdach, with uther syndry. And on the tother part, the erll of Craufurd him self was hurt in the feald, and deit within vii dayis. Bot he and his son wan the feald and held it, and efter that a gret tyme, held the Ogilbyis at gret subjeccioun, and tuke thair gudis and distroyit thair placis, &c.

Itth, thar was ane richt gret herschipe maid in Fyff be thir personis, the erll of Crawfurd, James of Livingstoun that tyme kepar to the king and capitane of Strivling, the
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Ogilbeis all, Robert Reach, the lard of Kadyoch, and uthir syndry. And this herschipe was maid on Sanctandrois land, be the maist force. And incontinent efter, bischope James Kennedy cursit solemnitilie with myter and staf buke and candill contynually a yer, and interdytit all the placis quhar thir personis war. And the samyn day xii moneth that this herschip was maid, thar happe nit the said batale betuix thaim. And the forsaid erll of Craufurd lay four days abone the yerd, and thar durst no man erd him, quhill the forsaid bischope send the prior of Sanctandrois and

M. CCCXLVI.

Ane thousand cccc. xlvi. thar decessit in the castall of Glasqw, master Jhon Cameron bischope of Glasqw, apone yule eyyne, that was bischope xix yer. The samyn yer Archebald of Dunbar tuye the castell of Halis on Sanctandrois day the apostle, and syne cowardlie gaf it owr to the master of Douglas sodanlie.

M. CCCXLVII.

The yer of God m. cccc. xlvii. the birnyng of Dunbar be young Perse and schir Robert Ogile, in the moneth of Maii. And that samyn yer, Drumsres was brynt be the erll of Salisbery, in the moneth of Junii. And that samyn yer, erll William of Douglas James son, and with him the erll of Orknay, Angus, and Ormond, brynt Awnwik, in the moneth of Junii the thrid day, and come hame wele, and did gret scaith. Item, the said erll passit in Yngland, the
xviii day of Julii, with xl men, and did gret scaith, and brynt Werkworth. And in the hamecummyng tynt ii sui men that war tane, and nochten ten men slane, bot the lard of Glendonwyne, and the Scottis men tuke agane Colyne Wod for him, and ilkane of thir mennis sonnis tuk uthiris faderis.

That samyn yer, the xxi day of October, was the battell of Lochmabane stane, within the perrische of Sanct Patrik. Quhar Hew of Douglas erll of Ormond was chistane on the Scottis syd, and with him schir Jhon Wallace of Cragy, the lord of Jhonstoun, the lord Somerwellis son and air, David Stewart of Castell Myll, the schiref of Air, with uthir syndry gentillis of the westland, and their men was callit iii sui. And on the Ynglis syde, the youngar Persye, schir Jhon of Pernyntoune, schir Jhon Herintoun, war chistanis, and with thaim sex thousand of Ynglis men; quhar thar chistanis war tane, and xv men with thaim slane; drounit v. And on the Scottis syde, xvi slane and tane, bot na man of reputacioun war tane nor slane; bot schir Jhon Wallace deit efter that he come hame, throu misgovernance.

The yer of God M. CCC. XLVIIII. the xxv day of Fебruar, the master of Douglas callit James, and twasum with him, that is to say, James of Douglas brother to the larde of Lochleyne, and the lard of Haukat; facht in the barres at Strivilg aganis twa knyghtis and ane squyar of Burgunye. And thir war thair names. Schir Jakkis de Lalane, schir Symond de Lalane, and the larde of Longawell, that was the squyar. And this was befor king James the secund.
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MCCC. XLIX.

The yer of God m. cccc. xl. schir James Auchinlek was slane be Richert Colvile, the xx day of Aprile, and within v or vi days cowartlie gaf our the castell, and was hedit and iii sum with him. And incontinent efter that he come furth, the castell was castin doun be erl William of Douglas James son.

That samyn yer, in the moneth of May, schir James Stewart the quenes knyght was tane apon the se be the Flemyngis, befor the son, and thar was put to deid, and of thaim that come with him vii\textsuperscript{th} of Ynglismen.

That samyn yer, the xvii day of Juin, quene Mary of Scotland come in Scotland. And this quene was the duke of Gillirlandis doughter, and sister doughter to the duke of Burgone. Thar come with hir xiii gret schippis and ane craike, in the qhillk thar was the Lord of Canfer, with xv\textsuperscript{th} of men in harnes. Master Jhon Ralstoun bishop of Dunkelden, and schir William of Crechtoun chancellor of Scotland that tym, was the hame bringaris of the quene with the counsell of the king of Fraunce, the duke of Savoy, the duke of Ostrich, the duke of Bertane, the duke of Burgunye. And all thir war bundyn in suple and manteinans of king James of Scotland. And this king forsaid and this quene war marit at Edinburgh, the thrid day of Julii the yer forsaid.

Item, in that samyn yer, master William Turnbull said his first mess in Glasqw, the xx day of September. And on
the monunday the xxiii. day of September, James of Levingstoun was arrestit be the king, and Robyn Kalendar capi-
tane of Dunbertane, and Johne of Levingstoun capitane of
the castell of Doune, and David Levingstoun of the Grese-
yardis, with syndry uthiris. And sone after this, schir
Alexander Levingstoun was arrestit, and Robyn of Leving-
stoun of Lithqw that tyme comptroller. And James and his
brother Alexander and Robyn of Lithqw war put in the
Blacknes, and thair gudis tane within xl. days in all places,
and put under arrest, and all thair gudis that pertenit to
that party. And all officeris that war put in be thaim war
clerlie put out of all officis, and all put down that thai put
up. And this was a gret ferlie. And in the samyn tyme,
the forsaid James dochter, that was sposesit with the Lord
do the Ilis, come till him sodanlie with few personis with
hir, and thair met in Dunbertane schir Duncane Persone,
and led hit with him to Kyntyre, the xxiii. day of the said
moneth. And it is to wit, that the first arrestings was maid
at the brig of Inchebelle on Kylwyne, betuix Glasqw and
Kirkstantulloch.

That samyn yer, the xix. day of Januar, James the second
held his first parliament at Edinburgh. In to the quhilk
parliament thar was forfaltit, schir Alexander Levingstoun
lord Kalendar, and James Dundas of that ilk, and Robert
Brus the lard of Clakmanannis brother. And James of
Levingstoun, son and air to the said Alexander, was put
to deid, and Robyne of Levingstoun of Lithqw that tyme
comptroller was put to deid, baithr togiddir on the castell-
hill, thair heidis strikin of, the thrid day of the parliament.
And that surnyn tyme, Archebald of Dundas, brother till the said James of Dundas, stufit the towr of Dundas, and said he suld de and it baith attanis, bot gif the king did thaim grace. And at the dissolwyne of the said parliament, the king baith send and come him self, and askit the said hous, and gat it nocht as than. And incontinent laide ane sege about it, that remanit quhill the latter end of April, and than it was gevin our, and all that war in it war put in the kingis grace. And thai war tane, and sum send till a' castell, and sum till uthiris. And the hous was cassyn doune, and the stuf tharof partit betuix the king, and the erl of Douglas, schir William of Crechtoun, and schir George of Crechtoun.

M. CCCCL. L.

The yer of God m. cccc. and l. the xix day of Maii, quene Mary partit with barne in Strivling, xii oulkis befor hir tyme, and the barne lissit bot the space of sex houris.

Item, the said yer, in the moneth of Junii, thar was fundin in Dunfermling a merwalous deid corse, in the ryping of ane wall. For first thar was found about him a list of stane, and syne ane of tre, and syne a cape of leid, and syne clathis of gold and silk als fresch as evir thai war, and the cors hale in hyde and hewe, as it semyte bot of xvii yeris of age. And it was xix yeris sen that wall was maide. And men demyt that it was a barne or coising of Sanct Margarets.

M. CCCCL. LII.

The yer of God m. cccc. lli. in the moneth of Merche, the erl of Ros and lord of the Ylis tuke thir castellis of the
king, viz. Invernes, Ourcuart, and Rothwane in Badyenoch, and stuffit the castell of Invernes and Urquhart, and kest doune the castell of Rothwan in Badyenoch. And thai said that he gaf the keping of the castell of Urquhart till his gud fader, James of Levingstoun, that was eschapit subtly fra the king and his counsell out of the abbay of Halyrudhous, and was cummand to the lord for supple and succour, that resavit him richt thankfully, and tuke plane part agane the king for him, and said he had the kingis wryt and walx to haf the castell of Urquhart for III yer. And he said that the kingis awne person gart him mary, the said James doughter, and hecht him gud lordschipe, the qhillk he had nocht gottin, bot evyn the contrare in all thingis.

 thai cryt him luftennent. And sone efter this thai worthit als strange as ever thai war. And at this tyme thai gat the erllis sele to consent to the trewis. And incontinent thai send furth Snowdoun the kingis herrod to Lundoun to bynd up the trewis. And als fast as schir James of Douglas gat wit hereof, he past till Londone incontinent, and quharfor men wist nocht redelye, bot he was thar with the king of Yngland lang tyme and was mekle maid of.

The yer of God M. cccc. li, the xxv day Junii, thar was holdin a parliament in Edinburgh, be king James the secund. To the quhilk parliament the forsaid erle William of Douglas came, and put him, body landis and gudis, in the kingis grace. And the king resavit him till his grace, at
the request of the quene and the thre eftatis, and grantit
him all his lordschippis agane, outtane the erldom of Wigtoun,
that is to say Galloway fra the watter of Cre west,
and Stewartoune, outtane the landis of Pedynnane, of the
quhilk the eallis moder had conjunct feftment, and charterit him new of all the laif of his lordschippis, and gaf him
and all his a fre remissioun of all thingis bygane to the
day forsaid. And all gud Scottis men war rycht blyth of
that accordance.

That samyn yer, the privilege of the universite of Glasqw
come to Glasqw, throw the instance of king James the
seund, and throw instigacioun of master William Turnbll that tyme bischop of Glasqw, and was proclamit at
the croce of Glasqw, on the Trinite sonday the xx day of
June. And on the morne, thar was cryit ane gret indul-
gence, gevin to Glasqw at the request of thaim forsaid, be
pap Nycholas, as it war the yer of Grace, and with all
indulgens that thai mycht haf in Rome, contenand IIII
monethis, begynnand the ix day of Julii, and durand to
the x day of November.

The samyn yer, the xvi day of August, thar was slane
Jhon of Sandelandis sone and ar to the lard of Caldor, in
that tyme bot xx yeris of age, and his eme James, and ane
man with tham.

Item, that samyn yer and moneth, thar was drownit in the
watter of Crawmond schir John Logane of Lestalrig
knycht, of the age of xx yeris.
ITEM, that samyn yer, schir Patrik of Cortitoun was slane in Dunbertane, on settiday the vii. day of August, be Allane Hog that tyme portar.

That samyn yer, erl William of Douglas was slat in the castell of Striviling, be king James the second that had the fyr merk in his face. The forsaid king James send out of Striviling, with William Lawder of Haltoun, a speciale assoverans and respit under his preve sele, and subscribit with his awne hand. And all the lordis that war with the king that tyme, gaf bodely althis to kepe that respit and assoverance, and subscribit ilk man with thair awne hand. And all the lordis that war with the king that tyme war oblist, supos the king wald brek the band forsaid, that thair suld let it at thair power. This beand, done, the forsaid William of Lawder of Haltoun passit to the forsaid erl William of Douglas, and brocht him to Striviling to the king, on the monunday befor fastrennisseven, that was the xxv. day of Februar. And this samyn monunday, he passit to the castell and spak with the king, that tuké ritch wale with him be apperans, and callit him on the morne to the dyner and to the supper, and he come and dynit and sowpit. And thair said, thair was a band... betuix the said erl of Douglas, and the erl of Ros, and the erl of Craufurd. And after supper, at seven hours, the king than beand in the inner charmer and the said erl, he chargit him to breke the forsaid band. He said, he mycht nocht, nor wald nocht. Thag the king... said, fals trator sen yow will nocht. I fall, and stait sudainly till him with ene knyf, and straik him in at the coler, and down in the body. And
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thai sayd that Pattrik Gray straik him nixt the king, with ane poll ax on the hed, and strak out his harnes. And syne the gentillis that war with the king, gaf thaim ilkane a straik or twa with knyffis. And thir ar the names that war with the king that strake him, for he had xxvi woundis. In the first, schir Alexander Boyd, the lord Dernelie, schir Androw Stewart, schir William of Crenston, schir Symond of Glendonane, and the lord Gray, &c.

M. CCC. LII.
THE yer of God m. CCC. LII. the xxvii day of Merche, schir James of Douglas, erll James secund son, for the foule slauchter of his brother erll William of Douglas, come on Sanct Patrikus day in lentryn to Strivling, and blew out xxiii horns attanis, apon the king, and apon all the lordis that war with him that tyme, for the foule slauchter of his brother, and schewe all thair selis, at the cors, on ane letter, with thair handis subscrivit, and tuke the letter, and band it on ane burd, and cuplit it till ane hors tale, and gart draw it throu the towne, spekand richt sclanderfully of the king and all that war with him that tyme, and spulyeit all the toune, and brin it. And thar was with him, his brother the erll of Ormond, and the lord Hammitoun, and na ma lordis, and thai excedit nocht of gud men vi. All this tyme, the king was into Perth, passand to the erll of Craufurd.

THE BATTELL OF BRECHYNE.
ITEM, about that samyn tyme, the xviii day of Maii, thar met and faucht in the feld, on the mure besyd Brechyne, the erll of Craufurd callit Allexander, the erll of Huntlie
callit Alexander. And thar was with the erll of Huntlie fer ma than was with the erll of Craufurd, becaus he displayit the kingis banir, and said it was the kingis actioun, and he wes his luftenend. And schortlie the erll of Huntlie wan the feld, and slewe the erll of Craufurdis brother callit Jhon Lindesay of Brechyne, and the lard of Dundas, and uthir syndry gentill men wele till mxx of cotarmouris on that syd. And on that uthir syd, William of Setoun the erllis brother, and uthir thre or four of gentill men, and v or sex of yemen. And the erll of Huntlie held the feld, and raid in Angus, with thre or four thousand with him. And the erll of Craufurd

That samyn yer, thar was ane parliament haldin in Edinburgh, the xii day of Junii, be king James the secund. And thar was forfaltit Alexander Lyndesaye the erll of Craufurd and lord Lyndesay, baith land lyf and gudis. And in that samyn parliament, thar was put on the nycht on the parliament hous dur, ane letter undir schir James of Douglas sele, and the sele of the erll of Ormond, and schir James Hammiltonnis, declynand fra the king, sayand that thai held nocht of him nor wald nocht hald with him, with mony uthir sclandrous wordis, calland tham tratouris that war his secret counsall. And than this parliament was continewit for xv dayis, and chargit all maner of man till be at Edinburgh, baith on fut and hors, ilk man for himself, baith in burgh and land, undir the pane of ded and tinsall of thair landis.
The quhilk day, thai apperit all and semblit at Pentland murr, and war noumerit xxxm. And the king him self passit on southwart with the ost to Peblis, Selkrieg, Drumfres, and uthir syndry partis, and did na gud, bot destroyit the cuntre richt fellonly baith of cornes medowis and vittalis, and heriit mony bath gentillmen and uthiris that war with him self.

Item, thar was maid in the forsaied parliament, thre erllis, viz. schir James Crechtoun son and air to schir William of Crechtoun, that spousit the eldest sister of Murray, was beltit erll of Murray. Item, the lord Hay and constable of Scotland was beltit erll of Eroll. Item, schir George of Crechtoun was beltit erll of Caithnes. Item, thar was maid vii or vii lordis of the parliament and banrentis. In the first, the lord Dernelie, the lord Halis, the lord Boyd of Kilmernok, the lord Flemyng of Cummyrnald, the lord Borthuik of that ilk, the lord Lyle of Dowchale, the lord of Cathcart of that ilk. Item, the lord of Lorne, Jhon Stewart, talyet all his landis to the male and surname, in the said parliament. Item, the lord of Cathcart deit in the samyn tyme. Item, schir George of Crechtoun annext all his landis to the erldome of Caithnes, that samyn tyme. Item, thar was syndry landis gevin to syndry men, in this parliament, be the kingis secret counsell, that is to say, the lord Cambell, to schir Colyne Cambell, to schir Alexander Home, to schir David Home, to schir James Keyr, and till uthir syndry war rewardit be the said secret counsell, the quhilk men demyt wald nocht stand.
ANE thousand cccc. lii. the xxix day of August, thar was
cummand to the cathederral kirk, master George of Lawder
that tyme bischope of Ergyle, fra his castall of Auchindoun,
efter that he had bene in the ile of Lesmor that tyme xxx
dayis and mair. And thar was in his company, that samyn
tyme, master Hercules Skrymgeour persoun of Glassar,
schir Jhon M'Arthour, and schir Adam his perrische preist,
and Alexander Skrymgeour the personis brothir, and the
lordis awne servandis of houshald, and nane utheris, for
the lord come for gud trety and trastit nain evill. This
person forsaid brocht ane summondis apon schir Gilbert
M'Lachane, that tyme chancellor of the forsaid cathedrall
kirk, and apon schir Morys M'Tadyane, that tyme the-
saurer of the said kirk. The quhilk schir Gilbert and
schir Morys gadderit all hale the Clanlachane, and all
uthiris that thai mycht purches, and send to thir men
word, that the forsaid bischop come with the forsaid clerk,
and put thaim out of thar benefice, and to put in the for-
said master Hercules. And thut thai informit the peple
wranguisly and begylit thaim, for the person had no thing
bot a summondis apon schir Gilbert, and apon schir Morys
M'Tadyan, for a sentence diffinitive that thai gaf aganis
him of his benefice that he had joysit peceably xv yer, with
schir Gotheray M'Torsan. Becaus that this summondis was
apon his chennonis, the lord passit in proper persoun till haf
maid gud treyte. And als fast as this lord with thir per-
sonis forsaid come ner the kirk within the quarter of ane
myle, the forsaid schir Gilbert and schir Morys come with all
the power that thai mycht be, in fere of were, apon the for-
said lord the bischop and his company, and spak till him
self richt dispituosalie with felloun wordis and scorne, and
for dispyte halsit him in errische, sayand bannachadee,
and dispytfully reft fra' him the foresaid master Hercules,
and pullit him fra' his hors, and brak the lordis belt, and
tuke the clerke ande his brother and harlilt and led thaim
away rycht dispytfully, and band the gentill man and
thocht to strik of his hed. And quhen this foul suppres
was done till God and haly kirk, than the lord wald haf
past on his fute till his kirk, thai stert befor him, sayand
that and he schupe to gang thair away, that thai suld sla
him and all that war with him. And thai war all about
him, and wald nocht lat him pas ony gait, till he was
oblist till assolye thaim of all thing that than was done
thar. And for dreid of his lyf and his mennis he grantit,
throw consall of Rure Alanson and uthiris that war with
him. And than thai come with a flyrdome, and said that
thai come for na ill of him ne his childer. And thai
held the clerk and his brothir, and on the morne gart
thaim swer that thai suld never follow him, nothir of
summondis, nor of uthir thing that was done to thaim be
thaim self na na uthiris, bot held thair bullis and thair
silver and a silkyne twys and all uthir graith that thai had
that was ought worth, viz. gownis clokis hudis bannettis
and uthir small geir.

M. CCCCLIII.

ITEM, the yer of God M. CCCCLIII. in the moneth of Sep-
tember, deit Alexander Lyndesay erll of Craufurd in
Fynevyne, that was callit a rigorus man and ane felloun,
and held ane gret rowme in his tym. For he held all
Angus in his bandoun, and was richt inobedient to the king.

M. CCCC. LIV.

Item, M. CCCC. LIII. thar decesit, in the moneth of August, Gilbert Hay erll of Errol.

Item, the samyn yer and moneth, thar decessit in Edin-burgh schir George of Crechtoun. And in the samyn moneth and yer, schir James lord of Crechtoun decessit at Dunbar, and it was haldin fra the king a litill quhile, and syne gevin till him. And in the samyn moneth and yer, decessit Jhon Hammiltoun that was callit Quhissilbery, and was a licht man in his tyme. Item, in the samyn yer and moneth, decessit in Sterling Androw Cunnyngham, sone and air till William of Cunnyngham of Glengernok. And the samyn Androw spousit Margaret Cambell, schir Duncane lord Cambellis doughter, and tuke viii merkis of toucher, and arit the land.

And in the samyn moneth and yer, decessit schir Alexander Ramsay lord of Dalhousy. And in the samyn moneth and yer, decessit Jhon of Park lard of that ilk. Item, that samyn yer and moneth, decessit schir William Keith, that was callit ane gentill knycht and a vertuose. Item, the samyn yer and moneth, the lard of Jhonstonis twa sonnis tuk the castall of Lochmabane apon the lard of Mouswald, callit Carudderis, and his ii sonnis, and othir twa or thre men, and all throu tressoun of the portar. And syne the king gaf tham the keping of the hous to his prophet, and how that was men ferleit.
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Thar was ane richt gret spait in Clyde the xxv day and xxvi day of November, the whilk brocht doun haile houssis bernis and millis, and put all the town of Govane in ane flote, quhill thai sat on the houssis.

M. CCCCLV.

The yer of God m. cccc. lv. in the beginnyng of Merche, James the second kest doune the castell of Inveravyn, and syne incontinent past till Glasqw, and gaderit the westland men, with part of the Areschery, and passit to Lanerik and to Douglas, and syne brynt all Douglasdale, and all Avendale, and all the lord Hammittonnis landis, and heriit them clerlye, and syne passit till Edinburgh, and fra thin till the forest, with ane ost of lawland men. And all that wald nocht cum till him furthwith, he tuke thair gudis and brynt thair placis, and tuke faith of all the gentillis clerlie. And all this tyme the lord Hamiltoun was in Yngland till have gottyn suple, and couth get nane, bot gif the Douglas and he wald have bene Ynglis men, and maid the aith. And incontinent efter, the king passit in proper persoun, and put ane sege till Abercorn. And within vii days, lord Hammitton come till him till Abercorne, and put him lyf landis and gudis in the kingis will purelie and sempillye, throw the menys of his eme James of Levingstoun that tyme chalmerlane of Scotland. And the king resavit him till grace, and send him on incontinent with the erll of Orknay that tyme chancellar of Scotland, till remane in warde in the castell of Roslyne at the kingis will. And thus he left the erll of Douglas all begylit, as men said. And men wist not grathlie quhar
the Douglas was. All this tyme the king remanit still at the sege, and that was mony hurt and nane slane, till sanct Georgis daye, outtane Allane Pantour, that was that tyme the mast ingenuous man that was in Scotland and mast subtell in mony divers thingis, and was slane with ane ganye throu misgovernynge of him self, and was richt mekle menyt be the king and mony uthir lordis. Thus the king remanit still at the sege, and gart strek mony of the towris doun with the gret gun, the quhilk a Franche man schot richt wele, and falyeit na shot within a faldome quhar it was chargit him to hit. And

The king gadderit ane gret ost, and past in Yngland, and did gret scail, and wan mony towris and housis.

Item, the xii day of Maii, James the brothir of erl William of Douglas that was slane in the castell of Strivling come to Knapdale, and spak thair with the erl of Ròs and lord of Is, and maid thaim all richt gret rewardis of wyne clathis, silver silk and Ynglis clath, and thai gaf thaim mantilis agane. And quhat was thair amangis thaim was counsell to connivies, and thai demyt ill all.

Item, that samyn moneth and yer, schir George of Crechtoun resignit all his conquest landis in the kingis handis and maid him his airc. And within vi dayes, James of Crechtoun sone and air to the said George of Crechtoun, take the castell of Blacknes and his fader, in contrar of
the king. And incontinent the king in proper persons put one seige to the Blacknes, and lay at it ix or x days, and than it was gevin our be trety. And schir George was put to Methfen, and gaf him the landis of Strathurd for the landis that he had conquest in Louthiane.

The herschipe of Inverkip be Donald of the Ylis, viz. Baloch, with the power of the ilis with him. And thai said Jhon of Douglas, ane bastard sone till Archebald eril of Douglas, was with thaim. Thai war xx of galays were tald and ma, and of men v or vi thousand. This herschipe was done the said yeir, the x day of Julii. And that was slane of gude men xv, and of wyfis twa or thre, and of barnis thre or four, and of hors v or vi", and of oxin and ky xiv and ma, and of schepe and gait a thousand and ma. And thai brynt that tyme certane townis in Inverkep, viz. about the kirk. Item, this said Donald with his ost of the ilis heriit all Arane, and wan the castell of Brandwik, and kest it down to the erd, and heriit baith the Ilis of Cerayes the samyn tyme. Item, thai tuke crauchmet of Bute the samyn tymé, viz i" bollis of male, i" bollis of malt, i" mertis, i" merkis of silver.

MCCC. LVI.

Item, M. CCCC. LVI. Cunynghame and Dalrumpill saucht in the barras of Strivling befor king James the secund.

The samyn yer the thrid day of December, thar deceit in Glasqw master William Turnbull bischope of Glascw, that brocht haim the perdoun of it.
ITEM, that samyn yer the last day of August, deit in Glasqw master Walter Stewart that was lord provand.

ITEM, that samyn yer and moneth, decessit in Brechyne master Jhone Crennok bischop of Brechyne, that was callit a gude actif and vertuis man, and all his tymé wele governand.

M. CCCCLIX.

The yer of God M. CCCCLIX. the penult day of Junii, decessit at Paslay Thomas Tarvas abbot of Paslay, the quhilk was ane richt gud man, and helplyk to the place of ony that ever was. For he did mony notable thingis, and held ane noble hous, and was ay wele purvait. He fand the place all out of gud rewle, and destitut of leving, and all the kirkis in lordis handis, and the kirk unbiggit, the body of the kirk fra the bricht stair up, and put on the ruf. He biggit and theckit it with sclait, and riggit it with stane, and biggit ane gret porcioun of the steple, and ane staitlie yethous, and brocht hame mony gud jowells, and clathis of gold silver and silk, and mony gud bukis, and maid staitlie stallis, and glasynnit mekle of all the kirk, and brocht hame the staitliest tabernakle that was in all Scotland, and the mast costlie. And schortlie he brocht all the place to fredome, and fra nocht till ane mychtí place, and left it out of all kynd of det, and at all fredome till dispone as thaim lykit, and left ane of the best myteris that was in Scotland, and chandillaris of silver, and ane lettren of bras, with mony uthir gud jowells.

ITEM, the XVI day of August, king James the second maid
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his first voyage in Yngland, with vi c thousand men, and brynt and heriit xx mylis within the land, and wan and distroyit xvii towris and fortaliceis, and remanit on the ground of Yngland vi days and vi nychtis. And thar persewit thaim never Ynglisman with ill, nother be day nor nycht, and come hame with gret worschip, and tyrn nocht a man of valour.

ITEM, incontinent the Ynglismen war gadderit wele till iii or v c thousand, and come to the marche, and thar discordit and passit hame with ane gret velany, viz. the duke of York, the erl of Salisbery, with mony uthir syndry gret lordis of the land.

M. CCCC. LX.

The yer of God m. cccc. lx. the thrid sonday of August, king James the secund with ane gret oist was at the sege of Roxburgh, and unhappely was slane with ane gun the qhilk brak in the fyring, for the qhilk was gret dolour throu all Scotland. And never the les all the lordis that war thar remanit still with the oist, and on the fryday efter, richt wyaly and manfully wan the forsaid castell, and tyrn nocht a man may in the wynnyng of it.

And than thai lordis incontinent send till Edinburgh for the prince. And the said prince, with his moder the quene, and bishopis and uthir nobillis, come to Kelso on the fryday efter the deid of the king, and remanit thar qhill he was crounit, and qhill the forsaid castell was wastit and distroyit. And on the sonday efter, he was crounit
in to Kelso. And the foresaid lordis passit to the castell of Wark, and sone thai wan that castell, and incontinent kast: it doun to the erd and distroyit it for ever. Item, in the tyme of the coronacioun of the kynge, thar was mad ma than a hundreth krayctis.

Item, in the moneth of Januar in the yer foresaid, the prince of Yngland and the queene of Yngland come in Scotland, to get help and suple aganis the duke of Yorke. And thair come to Drumfries, and the queene of Scotland, the duke of Gillerlandis dochter, met the foresaid prince and his moder at Kynaloudane, and thair remanit thar togidder x or xii days. And thair said thair war spekand of marriage betuix the foresaid prince and king James the thridis sister, and sum said that thair war accordin on baith the sydis. And in the meyne tyme, the duke of Yorke and the erll of Salisbury and the dukis son war slane, with uthir divers lordis of thair company.

The yer of God m. ccxxi. lx. the erll of Ergyle Colyne Cambell passit in Lorne, for the redempcioun of his cosing Jhon Keir of Lorne, the quhilke was tane be his brother Allane of Lorne of the Wod, sister son to Downe Balloch. And shortlie this erll foresaid with his oist come to the ile of Kerewra, quhar thia Allane had his brother in festynnans. And his entent was to distroye him, that he mycht have succedit to the heretage. And shortlie thai come sa suddanlie upo the foresaid Allane in the said ile, that he mycht nocht pas away with his schippis, in the quhilkis war a. hundreth men, and thia said Jhon Keir was bound.
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And his men was slane to the number of 111 or vxx, and brynt thar schippis, and redemit his cosing and restorit him to his lordship. And the tother chapit richt narrowly with his lyf, and 111 or v persons. And this was the first slaughter efter the deid of king James the second.

This samyn yer the xxiii day of February, king James the thrid held his first parliament at Edinburgh; to the quhilk parliament come thir lordis under writin, that is to say, the lord of Ylis and erll of Ros, and all the lardis of the ilis, lord Dernlie, and the lord Kalendar, the lord Hamiltoun. And thai did litill gud in the forsaid parliament, bot that thai ordanit sessionis to sit, first at Aberdene, syne in Perth, syne in Edinburgh. And thai left the king in keping with his moder the quene, and governyng of all the kinrik. And therfor the lordis said that thai was litill gud worth, bath spirituale and temporale, that gaf the keping of the kinrik till a woman. And incontinent the quene efter this parliament put in new keparis in the castellis of Edinburgh Strivling and Dunbar, viz. in Edinburgh Androwe Keyr, in Dunbar lord Halis, in Blaknes and Strivling Robert Liddale.

Item, the said quene, efter the deid of king James the second, tuke master James Lyndesay for principale counsellour, and gart him kepe the preve sele, nochtwithstanding that the said master James was excludit fra the counsell of the forsaid king and fra the court, and for his verray helynes, and had bene slane for his demeritis had nocht bene he was redemit with gold.
ITEM, after the deid of the forsaid king, the lord of Ylis past till Invernes, and tuke the kingis fermes and all vittalis of the kingis, and proclamit all the gudis and the landis of the kingis intill his handis, and gaf remissionis and respitiss. And for thir causis he was summond to the parliament under the pane of forsalt, and comperit nocht. And than thai supersedit his caus quhill the feist of sanct Jhon the baptist, and continewit the forsaid parliament till that day, to be holdin in Aberdene.

ITEM the lord of Curthous come till Edinburgh till

of the law and the kingis profettis, and of all the realme, and that the king suld cum be him self and his, and the quene be hir self and hirris, bot the king suld ay remane with the quene, bot scho suld nocht intromit with his profettis, bot allanerlie with his person.