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FAVERSHAM'S ASSESSMENT FOR A SHIP FOR THE COUNTER ARMADA OF 1596: APPENDIX.

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The main article for this topic is to be published in *Archaeologia Cantiana* Vol. CXXII (2002). What follows is the text of the revised assessment and some biographies and another document relating to the piracy of Abraham Snoode's boat.

In 1596 a large, well equipped Anglo Dutch fleet numbering over 120 vessels sailed for Cadiz carrying 6,000 soldiers. After a three-week voyage and one day's action by sea and by land, the harbour and the town of Cadiz was captured and set on fire. The allies stayed there a fortnight and then sailed for home laden with spoils.¹⁴ The queen was at first delighted, but her mood changed when she heard that her share was to be far less than she had anticipated. Whilst the voyage had fulfilled the original intention there was the nagging possibility that others, not the Crown, had profited from this adventure. The article describes the humble part played by Faversham in this expedition. The town was what is known as a limb of the Cinque Ports under the head port of Dover and was therefore liable to ship service from time to time. In 1587, for example, the ports were expected to pay a cess of £400 to provide a war ship of 50 tons for service against the Dunkirkers. Abraham Snoode (Snothe) and Edward Buddle were to go to London to provide one at a reasonable price.

A year later, when facing the Armada of 1588, Faversham's representatives at the Guestling met 'some uncurteous speaches and harde dealyngs of the townes men of Dovour' Faversham decided to act alone and provide a ship of 40 tons or thereabouts out of the 100 tons imposed upon the Cinque Port of Dover. With the mediation of Richard Barrye, Lieutenant of the castle of Dover, matters were sorted out. We are particularly fortunate that an account has survived that was drawn up by the captain, Nicholas Turner, and the purser, Robert Colwell. In an article entitled *The sinews of war: manning and provisioning English fighting ships c. 1550-1650*, G.V. Scammell described the problems that lay behind manning such ships.¹⁵ This Faversham account referred to two months wages paid to the following; the captain, £ 8-4-0; the master, £4-0-0; the master's mate; £4-0-0; the master gunner, £ 3-0-0; the gunner's mate, 32s; the gunner's man, 20s; the purser, 32s; the bosun, 32s; the bosun's mate, 24s; the quarter master, 32s; the quarter master's mate, 24s; the steward, 24s; the cook, 24s; the surgeon, 44s; the corporal, 26s 8d; the shipwright, 35s 4d; 5 sailors at 20s each; 2 garsons or young men, at 10s each; 4 soldiers at 20s each and a trumpeter at 10s. There

¹⁴ For more detail, see edit J. S. Corbett 'Relation of the voyage to Cadiz 1596 by Sir Willam Slyngisbie', *The Naval Miscellany*, vol. 1, Navy Records Society, vol. xx, (1992), pp. 25-92; S. & E. Usherwood, *The Counter-Armada 1596*, (The Bodley Head, London, 1983).

¹⁵ *The Mariner's Mirror*, vol. 73, No. 4, November 1987, p. 355.

were 30 men in all, a number of them known to be seamen in Faversham.¹⁶ For example, the purser, Robert Colwell, and the bosun, John Rockens, both lived in Court Street and were the owners and masters of other ships.¹⁷

In 1580 Abraham Snothe was given as the owner and master of *The Ellen* (12 tons¹⁸), a hoy that he still owned in 1586 together with three others, *The Peter*, *The Mary* and *The Sysse* making him then the leading ship owner within the town of Faversham.¹⁹ His father, John, had also been a shipowner living in Court Street. He served many years on the town council and was a churchwarden. He was present at the vital meeting when Thomas Arden was disfranchised and was one of those in charge of Lady Amcott's wharf in 1555. When he made his will in 1573, he left half his hoy *The Margaret* to Abraham on condition that 'he shall keep house with my wife his mother, bear half the charge of household and also keep half the necessary reparations of the said hoy and be obedient toward his mother.' If Abraham did not carry out his instructions, then his wife was to have that half as well.

A series of bonds in October 1585 give Abraham's ornate merchant mark and show the problem of ship names in that both William Ladd and Clement Trowtes have a hoy called *The Peter* of Faversham.²⁰ From various assessments and the muster rolls we know that Abraham lived in Court Street Faversham.²¹ In the muster rolls he is described sometimes as a mariner, sometimes as a man capable of handling a caliver, the standard firearm for much of the period. He was later promoted to be a *decimer* or leader of ten soldiers. The point is that mariners were not always mentioned as such in the muster rolls.

Snothe appears to have made his money shipping wheat and other commodities to London and returning with other wares. It is possible to find some record of these trips from the Faversham Port books. For instance on the 28 April 1580, Abraham Snothe master, had left the Port of Faversham in *The Ellen* of Faversham (burden 12 tons) bound for London with eighty quarters of wheat belonging to John Philipott. He returned on the 14 May 1580 from London with the following goods belonging to Christopher Bridge, denizen of Canterbury: "three trusses containing six frizeadoes, eight remnants of broad cloth, one remnant baies, four kerses, three remnant and ten cottones, thirty barrels soap, one hogshhead Gascogne wine, three baskets orrenge and habberdashe wares, three small cases with sylke and mercery wares and six barrels of pitch and tarre."²² We also find Abraham shipping his own merchandize on other hoys. In all, he made 11 voyages to London and back in 1580 as well as 2 to Ireland.

¹⁶ William L. Clowes, *The Royal Navy*, (1897) vol. 1, p. 596 says the ship was under Lord Henry Seymour and had a compliment of 34 men.

¹⁷ P. Hyde, *Faversham ships and seamen in the sixteenth century*, Faversham Papers, No. 45.

¹⁸ Given in places as 20 tons this once again may mark the difference between the burthen and tonnage.

¹⁹ CKS: Fa/CPM 24 & PRO:SP 12/198 no. 47; Hythe, *Ships and Seaman*, pp. 7, 13

²⁰ CKS: Fa/JQr 6/2 no. 21 illustrated in Hythe, *Arden*, p. 479; Hythe, *Ships & seamen*, pp. 22-24.

²¹ *Arden*, pp. 507, 512 & 513; Hythe & Harrington, *Tudor & Stuart Musters*, pp. 7 onwards.

²² PRO: E190/641/13

In 1572, Snothe gave 3^s 4^d towards the building of the Market House, which eventually became the Guildhall. He was also involved in two court cases that give us just a glimpse of everyday life. In the first, he gave a deposition in a case concerning Lewes Larder, who was charged with piracy and robbery. In his deposition Snothe said that, on the instructions of one Crosse, a merchant of London, he had unloaded four vats of copperas²³ and a great deal of dried fish from Larder's bark to send them to London. A dispute then arose between Crosse and Larder's men and Snothe had to put all the goods back again. A week later Crosse contacted him again and asked him to collect the goods. Larder's bark was by now lying in the Downs. This time Snothe collected the copperas and two packs of wax and took them to Faversham. Snothe did not know where the wax had been shipped to, but he still had custody of the copperas.

Seven years later he was involved in a case of withernam. This was a legal process which was used in the recovery of debts incurred between inhabitants of different Cinque Ports, London and other English boroughs. Snothe claimed that John Hale or Hall of Breadstreet ward in the city of London owed him £3-13-4. He said that Hall had retained him on 24 September 1579 to take malt and rye in his hoy to East Swale and there to hand it over to the master of a London crayer. This he did, and that accounted for £3-6-8. Hall also bought 13 straw mats from Snothe, which came to 6^s 8^d.

And we find amongst the High Court of Admiralty records an examination of witnesses in 1587 concerning the piracy committed about *The Peter* of Faversham when Andrew Clerke was master and Abraham Snothe was the owner. From them we learn of the cargo being carried for the Canterbury merchants and the way in which the perpetrators were caught. The examinations are of sufficient interest for them to be fully extracted in appendix I of this account. It would be interesting to know whether 'the very cards and marks of direction' was simply a nautical way of saying that they were caught with details of what goods were to be delivered to whom; or a particular description of the merchants marks on the barrels and details of destination.

In his will dated 18 October 1593, Snothe made arrangements to help two of 'my brother Taylor's' sons. Thomas was to receive £5-0-0 a year until the age of 21 if 'he dothe so longe contynue at Cambridge' and £20-0-0 when he reached the age of 21. Abraham was to be kept by his wife, the executrix, until he could be 'putt to prentice to some good occupation', and he also was to receive £20-0-0 at 21. His son-in-law, John Lawrence, was to have all Snothe's part of the hoy called *The Ellen* of Faversham and one of his lighters on condition that he paid one Barbara Adye £6-0-0 a year and £60 due to her under the will of her father,

²³ Copperas; proto-sulphate of iron or ferrous sulphate (FeSO₄) also called green vitriol, used in dyeing, tanning and making ink. See W. H. George, *A short account of the copperas industry of the Isle of Sheppey, Kent*, (1983) and R. H. Goodsall, 'The Whitstable Copperas Industry', *Archaeologia Cantiana* (1957), lxx, pp. 142-159.

Nicholas Adye. This sum Snothe had had from Adye's executors. His wife was to enter into a bond with sufficient surety with the town within three months.

He also arranged that his executrix should glaze one of the windows on the east side of the Free School at Faversham, which had just been built. He granted his wife for life a house that he had just bought. After her death, it was to go to his son-in-law, John Lawrence. He then left a gold ring, which he wore daily, to his good friend, Nicholas Upton. Almost as an afterthought, he finished with 'Item I will my wyfe shall give unto the poore where she shall think most needfull'.²⁴

OTHER LOCAL MEN LINKED WITH THE HAZARDE²⁵

JAMES BACON the cook was paid 24s. He appeared as a mariner living in Court Street from 1591 onwards. By 1598 he owned the hoy *The Watt* then *The Mayflower*, taking malt, wheat and hides to London.

THOMAS BRATTE a soldier paid 20s. He lived in West Street from 1583 onwards. In the muster rolls, considered capable of using a musket from 1591.

EDWARD BUDDLE, co-owner and master of *The Hazarde*, was paid £4. By 1585 he was co-owner and master of the hoy *The Maryflower*. It is not certain whether this is the same Edward Buddell described as a sailor of Margate whose testimony is recorded in the High Court of Admiralty records in 1583, when he says, "that abowte shrovetide laste on borde captayne Arnolde at Margate where he laye in his man of warre Also Capayne Gore was in that roade on whom this examinant was also on borde and more pirattes shippe he was not on borde."²⁶

JOHN BULL a soldier paid 20s. John was the son and servant of a leading figure, Nicholas Bull. They lived first in Court Street and later in Preston Street.

EDWARD BYLLTON a shipwright paid 35/4. Edward was mentioned as a shipwright and a servant of Thomas Lewes in the muster roll of 1588.

ROBERT COLWELL the purser paid 32s. Colwell was part of an established family and lived in West Street. In 1580, at the age of 16, he was apprenticed to Thomas Bennett, owner and master of *The Olyfaunte* of 12 tons. By 1586 he was the master of The Trinity owned by John Trowtes. In 1591 he was living in Court Street and by 1596 was the owner of a bark called *The John* of 50 tons. 1606 case against a shipbuilder.

WILLIAM COSEN a soldier paid 20s. By 1580 he was a servant of a jurat called Thomas Oldfield and living in Abbey Street. He later served Mistress

²⁴ Hythe, *Seamen*, pp. 59-61; CKS; Fa/FAC2/1, fol 7 v; Fa/JQe 1; FA/ JW7; PRO: PROB 11/ 84 quire 59 fol 113 v.

²⁵ The information comes from Musters and Seamen. In the transcript of the account it can be seen that each man was being paid for 2 months wages.

²⁶ PRO:HCA 1/43 folio 7 Saturday xxij June 1583

Ambrose. He was still on the muster roll in 1596 with his equipment of bill, skull and red cap.

FOWLER DERELove the steward paid 24s. He was a servant of the jurat Thomas Oldfield in 1570, but had moved to John Castlock by 1573. He lived in Court Street In 1588 in the muster roll he used a caliver provided by John Castlock and in 1590 was furnished with musket shot provided by Mr. Thomas Finch.

EDWARD FREEMEN the quartermasters mate paid 24s. In 1580 he was an apprentice aged 16 to John Michell, the owner and master of a little ketch called *The Bobtail* of 8 tons. By 1583-4 he was living in Court Street, a servant of John Rockyns. By 1596 he himself owned a 30 ton hoy called *The Mary*. By 1598 his 12 ton hoy *The Jane* made several trips to London carrying wheat, malt and hops.

JAMES FRYKYN the quarter master paid 32s. He came from Whitstable and had a hoy *Elizabeth Anvild* by 1598, carrying wheat and malt to London, returning with assorted wares.

JOHN ROCKYNS the bosun paid 32s. He was the son of John Rockyns of Court Street, who was said to be old in 1580. In 1586 he was master of the hoy *The Gift of God* under the owner George Bennett. In 1599 he owned the hoy *The Ellen* with Hugh Nethersole.

RICHARD TODDYE a sailor paid 20s. He was mentioned as a mariner in the muster roll in 1588 He had a hoy of 12 tons with James Bacon in 1599

ROGER WALTON a sailor paid 20s. He was on the muster roll in Court Street in 1591

CHRISTOPHER WARRENER the gunners mate paid 32s. In 1580, aged 16, he was an apprentice on the hoy *The John* belonging to John Trowtes. By 1583 he was a servant of the mariner, Robert Rye, who was getting old. Eight years later, in 1591, he was a servant of Abraham Snothe and by 1596 he was the owner of the hoy *The Abraham*. Two years later he was trading in the hoy *The Martha*.

And what happened to the accounts for provisioning *The Vineyard* and to the collection of the cess? The four collectors presented the first part of the account 'for the charges of our part in setting forth of a ship called *The Vineyard*'. They had paid wages of 10 shillings each to 8 men for unspecified work. They had also paid 1 shilling each for 45 soldiers and 11 marines pressed into service to go to Dover. Sailors were sometimes included in the muster rolls at Faversham. A more detailed list in 1602 said; "Give them (the sailors) twelve pence for imprest money and after the rate of a half-penny the myle for their conduct...."²⁷ The full details are as follows:

The accompte²⁸ of Thomas Waterman, Daniell Gyles and George Cruttall, for a cesse made in the same towne bye the aucthorytye of a Wardmothe holden in the Guyldehalle of the same towne the xvth daye of Januarye in the xxxvijth yere of the queenes maiesties reigne [15 Jan 1596] for the charges of our parte in settinge forthe of a shippe callyd *The Vineyarde* of Dovour for the service of her majesty in the narrowe seas againste the Spanyardes Anno Domini 1596 and gyven theym in chardge to gather bye the aucthorytie of the same Warmouthe.

Imprimis they are chardged wyth the somme of CCCiiij[£] xiiij^s viij^d gyven theym in charge to gather for the defraying of the same voyage and the chardge thereof as appearythe bye there rolles indentyd to themm delivered the counter pane received in this yere

Whereof theye had in chardge bye the comaundement of the maior jurattes and commynaltie of the same towne to gather but onelye twoe partes of the foresaid cesse in three partes to be devydyd which amountythe to the somme of CCiiij[£] ij^s iiij^d

For the resceyte of which foresaid somme of CCiiij[£] ij^s iiij^d the said Thomas Waterman Danyell Gyeles and George Cruttall are to accompte and soe uppon the whole matter thesse accomptantes are to be chardgyd wythe the foresaid somme of CCiiij[£] ij^s iiij^d

Also theye are chardgyd wythe the some of v[£] that was made of the resydue of the cesse that was browghte from Dovour which was sente thither for the vycualling of the souldyers v[£]

Item they are chardgyd wythe the somme of xLij^s that was lykewyesse made of the resydue of the breade that was lykewyesse browght from Dovour xLij^s

Item they are chardgyd wythe the somme of iiij[£] xj^s iiij^d that was lykewyesse made of the resydue of the iiij[£] xj^s iiij^d

²⁷ J. J. N. McGurk, A levy of seamen in the Cinque Ports, 1602, *The Mariners' Mirror*, 1986, vol. 66, pp. 137-144; P. Hyde & D. Harrington, *Faversham Tudor & Stuart Muster Rolls* (2000), pp. 131-144.

²⁸ CKS: Fa/FAC 25 folio 20; the enrolled account Fa/FAC 197 folio 159 to 161 is very badly damaged but such sections as are readable have been checked against the above.

beere that was lykewyesse browght from Davour
Sum of all their whole chardge

CCxiiij^f xiiiij^s vij^d

Whereof theye demaunde to be allowyd as followythe
Imprimis theye demaunde to be allowed for monye
bye theym layed out as appeareth bye their booke of
partyculers hereunto annexyd and to be enteryd
downe woorde for woorde

CCxj^f xiiiij^s

Item more theye demaunde to be allowed for
desperattes which theye cannott gather nor levye
Sum of all their allowances

iiij^f viij^s v^d

And so the towne dothe owe to these accomptantes
the somme of

CCxv^f ij^s v^d
xxviij^s x^d

[fol. 21r]

Chargis layed out aboutt the shiping as foloweth

In prymis to John Kytchin for his waigis for thre
mounth

xxx^s

Item to John Partheridg for fover mounthes 10s the
mounth

xL^s

Item to John Diricke for five mounth and one wicke

Lij^s vj^d

Item to Henry Cowler for his waygis for xxj wickes

Lij^s vj^d

Item to Thomas Janson for his waigis for iiij mounth

xL^s

Item to John Bradford for his waigis for 5 mounth at
xs

L^s

Item to Fraunces Graye for seventeen wickes at 10s the
mounth

xLij^s vj^d

Item to John Graye for thre mounth at x^s the mounth

xxx^s

In primyse spent at Boughton in drinke and bread
upon the soulder

iiij^s iiiij^d

Item at Harbeldowne for bere

ij^s

Item for our supper at Canterbury when we cam
thether

Lj^s

Item for a new flask and tuchbox and mending of som
armer

iiij^s ij^d

Item for there brackfast one Wedenday mor[n]ing at
Canterbery

xiiiij^s ij^d

Item spente betwext Canterbury and Dover in bread
and drink

xs vj^d

Item geiven them at Dover the first daye xd a man

xxxviij^s

Item our supper and bed at night

xj^s

Item geiven them one Thursday viij^d a man

xxx^s

Item our owne chargis that day

xvj^s

Item Given them one Fryday to bryng them home vj a man	xxij ^s vj ^d
Item our owne chargis that day	xvj ^s vj ^d
Item for our horse to Canterbery	vj ^s
Paid to 45 solders that went to Dover	xLv ^s
for there prest mony 13 Aprell 96	
Paid to sixe mariners prest to Dover the 29 March at there returne from Dover to fech their clothes	xx ^s
Paid to five other mariners that were prest out of the towne the 23 of Aprill	xvj ^s v ^d
Paid to Master Henery Saker maior for iij score & Lvj lb of beife for the vitling of the hoye that went to Dover 13 Aprill	iiij ^f ix ^s
Paid more to Nicholas Turner for 100 of powder	v ^f
Paid to Master Garrett of Dover when he went to London to bring downe the ship called <i>The Vineyard</i>	xL ^f
Paid to Master Castlock and Master P[e]llham when they rode to Dover about the busines of the shipping	xx ^f
Paid to Master Saker maior for his charges and those that rode with him to Dover the xxth of December 1595	iiij ^f xv ^s
[fol. 21v]	
Paid for a kilderkin of bere spent upon the solders before they went for caring yt into the feild	ij ^s vj ^d
Paid to Master Allen for ij bushells of salte to powder beif for the vitling of the hoyes which went to Dover	iiij ^s iiij ^d
Paid to William Hilton for vj barrells and a half of bere for the vitling of the same hoyes at 8s 6d the barrells	Lvs iiij ^d
Paid to Nicholas Turner for powder for the furnissheng of the shipe seth forth by Dover and his members	xvij ^f xvij ^s
Paid to George Cruttall for xLviiij dosson of bread for the vitling of the hoyes above said	xLviiij ^s
Paid Richard Romny for horshire and his paines in careing the musketts to Dover	vs iiij ^d
Paid to William Beale for 26 score and five pounds of beife for the vitling of the hoyes	v ^f v ^s
Paid to James Lambart for bread for the wittling of the same hoyes	iiij ^f
Paid to John Willerd for horshire for caring the sailer apparell to Dover	iiij ^s iiij ^d
Paid to Edward Willson for a barrell of bere for the hoyes vitling	viiij ^s vj ^d
Paid to Freind for caring of powder and match aboard	iiij ^s 4 ^d

the Vinyerd for her provision	
Paid to George Colvell for xxiiij dosson of bread for the hoyes that went to Dover	xxiiij ^s
Paid to Okenfold for caring the bere aboard the hoyes and for caring the bere to mens houses in the towne that was brought back from Dover	ix ^s
Paid to Virgo for caring of powder aboard and of John Friend and for caring out the beife aboard the hoyes and for caring out the bere that was brought back from Dover	iiij ^s iiiij ^d
Paid to Ralf Swift for caring of the beife	xij ^d
Paid to Nicholas Turner for 100 of powder	v [£]
Paid to Palmer for cleaning the towne furniture	viiij ^s x ^d
Paid to Master Allen for Juckle to make flask strings	v ^d
Paid for paper to make the muster booke	xvj ^d
Paid for vttles for the solders diner before they went to Dover	xj ^s
Paid to Master Upton and Master Castlock for their horshire and charges when they rode to Dover	viiij ^s vj ^d
Paid William Chatbourn for his chargs and Mr Upton at Dover	xv ^s
Paid to William Chatbarn for his horshire	v ^s
Paid to William Chabarn for his horshire when he rode to London with Master Kibbett	iiij ^s iiiij ^d
Paid to William Chatbarn for his horshire for Richard Maicott when he rode to London	iiij ^s iiiij ^d
Paid to Master Garit the eight daye of September	xx [£]
Paid to Master Garit at London when the ship called <i>The Vynard</i> in mony	xL [£]
For horshire to Dover for Master Upton	v ^s
Paid to William Tomlin for barrell of bere	viiij ^s vj ^d
Paid to Master Pelliam when he rode to Dover	xxs iiiij^d
Paid to Master Upton the same time	xxj^s iiiij^d
Paid to Master Castlocke for monye spent at Dover	iiij[£] x^s
Paid to Master Nicholas Upton for his charges when he rode to Dover with	xxj ^s iiiij ^d
Paid to Master Castlock and Master Pellam for their charges spent at Dover for their supper one Monday night	iiij ^s viij ^d
For their breakfast Tuesday morning	ix ^d
For wine and other provision for their diner aboard the vineyard one Tuesday	iiiij ^s vj ^d
For mony given aboard the ship	x ^d
For their supper Tuesday night	iiij ^s iiij ^d

For their breakfast on Wensday	viiij ^d
For their diners the captaines the maisters and th[r]ee of the jurats of Dover one Wensday	xviiij ^s viiiij ^d
For their horsmeate at Dover	104 [£] -8-4
For many given to some persons to help them aboute their busines and for other nessesaries	iiij ^s vj ^d ij ^s iiiij ^d
For many given where our horses stode and where we lay one Wensday night	xviiij ^d
For a horshire for Master Castlock same time for fouer dayes	iiiij ^s
For many paid to one to fetch their horses from Dover	vj ^d
Total	ij ^c xj [£] xiiij ^s

Item we crave to be allowed in desprittes as folowethe

Item of Symon Grenstritt	40 ^s
more Lawraunces Boynyan	xvj ^d
Master Kybbitte	xiiij ^s -4 ^d
George Hudson	xij ^s -4 ^d
John Boulven	xxvj ^s -8 ^d
One Woodes house where mead dwelt	xvj ^d
Master Beere	vj ^s -8 ^d
John Amys for a house standinge emptie	v ^d
We hope that you will consyder for our paynes as you To paye unto James Tonge for healing of my ho[r]se	

The²⁹ accompte of Thomas Waterman Danyell Gyeles and George Cruttall for the somme of L[£] xv^s viij^d being the syxte parte of one cesse of CCCiiij[£] xiiij^s viij^d made in the same towne made bye aucthorytie of a wardmouthe holden in the Guylde Hall of the same towne the xvth daye of Januarie in the xxxviiijth yere of the Queenes majesties reigne for the chardges of our parte in setting forthe of a shipp callyd *The Vyneyarde* of Dovour for the servyce of her majestie in the narrowe seas agaynste the Spanyardes anno domini 1596 and gyven them in chardge to gather by the foreseid maior jurattes and commynaltie for and towards the full payment and dyscharge of the setting forthe of the same shyppe wythe our foreseid hed porte Dovour

Item theye demaunde to be allowyd of the somme of are chardgyd with the somme of L [£] xv ^s viij ^d being the syxte parte of CCCiiij [£] xiiij ^s viij ^d as aforeseid	L [£] xv ^s viij ^d
Somme of all the whoole chardge	L [£] xv ^s viij ^d
Whereof theye demaunde to be allowyd as	

²⁹ CKS: Fa/FAc 26 fol. 25.

followythe

Imprimis they demaunde to be allowyd for
desperattes that they cannott gather nor levye the
somme of

iiij[£] ij^s j^d 30

Item they demaunde to be allowyd of monye payed
over to the maior jurattes and commynaltie of the
foreseid towne of Dovour in full dyschardge and
defraying of all and singuler the chardges of the
same voyage for our partes bye the handes of Master
John Castelocke and Master Pelham jurattes one the
xijth daye of October in the xxxixth yere of her
majesties reigne as appearythe to the audytours of
this audytte by one acqyutance under the seale of
office of the mayoraltie of Dovour and for the
chardges of the seid John Castelocke and Thomas
Pelham to Dovour for the paymentes of the same the
somme of

xxxj[£] xiiij^s iiij^d

Item they are allowyd bye the audytours the somme
of xxx for their paynes in levyng the monyes of the
foreseid cesse

xxx^s

Somme of all their whole allowances

xxviij[£] v^s iiij^d

And soe the seid accomptantes are in dette to the
foreseid towne in the somme of

xiiij[£] x^s iiij^d

³⁰ This is the total of the listing of desperates crossed out in the 1596 account shown above.

C.K.S: Fa/RTz5

Faversham³¹

A CESTE MADE (bye aucthoryte of a wardmothe holden in the Guyldhall of the same towne bye the maior jurattes and commynaltye of the same towne there assemblyd and gathered together uppon the xvth daye of Januarye in the xxxvijth yere of the reigne of our soveraigne ladye Quene Elizabeth) [15 Jan 1596] Bye John Upton, John Hallett and Roberte Allen, three of the jurattes of the same towne, and bye John Elfrythe, Edmunde Cobbe, Anthonye Bodle and Rycharde Pyerce, fower of the commoners or of the common counsell of the same towne cessours thereto chosen nomynated elected and appoycuted bye the authoritye of the same wardmouthe to cesse and taxe accordinge to the aunycient custome of the same towne there in lyke casse tyeme oute of mynde usyd and approved as well all the inhabytantes and rescyantes within all the libertye of the same towne bye all their goodes and chatteles, landes and tenementes, as well within as without the same lybertye; As alsoe all the forreners with their landes and tenements lyinge within the same libertie for the provydinge fyndinge and furnyshinge of fortye tonnes in one shyppe of CLx tonnes imposed uppon Dovor and hys members to be put in a redynes bye the fyrste daye of Apryll next comminge and to be furnyshed for fyve monethes then nexte followinge with vyctuell maryners munition and other necessarye provysion and furnytur for servyce to be done with her Majesties navye one the seas or otherwyssse accordinge to dyrection to be resceyved from her majesties moste honorable counsell or from the now lorde admyrall together with other the shyppes of the fyve portes and their members bye the space of the foreseide fyve monythes accordinge to her majesties requeste bye her majesties moste honorable councelles lettres in thys behalfe delyveryd to the sayde fyve portes and their members And to be gatheryd and levyed accordinglye bye Thomas Waterman, Danyell Gyeles and George Cruttoll, three of the commoners of the same towne thereunto alsoe chosen elected nomynated and appoyncuted bye aucthoryte of the foresayde wardmouthe and accordinge to a decree, order and agreement made ordeyned and agreayd uppon bye the foreseide maior jurattes and comynaltye in the same wardmothe.

Abbeye streete and Courte streete

Mr Henrye Saker, maior
 Mr Thomas Menvell
 Nicholas Bull
 Thomas Pyerce
 Edwarde Wilson
 Mr Humfrye Clarcke, gent
 Roberte Stone
 John Rye

v[£]
 iiij[£]
 xL^s
 iiij[£]
 ij^s
 vij[£]
 v[£] x^s
 iiij^s iiiij^d

³¹ Rotulet 1r.

Nycholas Upton, juratt	vj ^f
Elyas Meade	x ^s
Christofer Warrener	v ^s
Wylliam Haslewoode	v ^s
Thomas Chartom	ij ^s
Roberte Barnes, juratte	vj ^f
Richard Tyllman	xLs
Robert Rye	x ^s
Christofer Fynche juratte	iiij ^f
Wylllyam Bawcom	v ^s
John Powell	xx ^s
Mrs Deale wydowe	xxx ^s
Mrs Shrubsole wydowe	xxx ^s
Mr Sparcklinge	v ^f
John Spuddle	ij ^s
Lewes Browne	ij ^s
Thomas Johnson	vj ^s viij ^d
Thomas Pelham, juratt	iiij ^f
John Reve	xL ^s
Thomas Waterman	iiij ^f x ^s
Roberte Allen jurratt	L ^s
John Hampton	iiij ^s
Wylliam Thrustone	iiij ^s
Thomas Cobbe	iiij ^f
Edmunde Cobbe	L ^s
Allexander Ower	ix ^f
Wylliam Wayman	Ls
Anthonye Longe	ij ^s
Henrye Fugler	iiij ^s
John ³² Haulden	ij ^s
Laurance Byneon	ij ^s
Anthonye Bodill	L ^s
Mrs Beste wydowe	xx ^s
Rycharde Phyllpott	xxx ^s
John Castelocke, jurratt	v ^f x ^s
Mr Kybbett	xx ^s
Widdowe Atkines	vj ^s viij ^d
John Lorrance	Ls
Richarde Gill	x ^s
Thomas Virgoe	v ^s
Roberte Collwell	vj ^s viij ^d
John Freende	iiij ^s iiij ^d
John Upton jurratt	vj ^f x ^s

³² rot. 1v.

Symon Wyar	iiij ^s iiij ^d
Thomas Okenfolde	ij ^s
John Hammon	x ^s
Mr Gosnole	xx ^s
Thomas Pett	iiij ^s iiij ^d
Rycharde Drylonde	ij ^s
Wyllyam Hunte	ij ^s
Wydowe Ongle	x ^s
Wydowe Dyer	v ^s
John Denys	ij ^s
Summa [£109-0-4]	Cix [£] iiij ^d

Weste Streete

John Swayton	xv ^s
Mychaell Jarman	ij ^s
Wyllyam Cadman	Ls
George Collwell	ij ^s
Henrye Sommers	iiij ^s
George Crosse	xx ^s
Wyddowe Woode	ij ^s
Edwarde Freeman	iiij ^s
Christofer Hartrupe	xxx ^s
Wydowe Hudson	xL ^s
Gylberte Dundie	xL ^s
John Bulvan	iiij [£]
Thomas Bratt	v ^s
Edwarde Morefeilde	xx ^s
John Doman	vj ^s viij ^d
Gyeles Gorham	v ^s
Thomas Morefeilde	v ^s
Rycharde Hilles	vj ^s viij ^d
Stephen Wharffe	ij ^s
Mathewe Harte	x ^s
Wyddowe Danyell	xxx ^s
Josyas Sparcke	x ^s
Vyncent Clarckson	iiij ^s iiij ^d
James Lamberte	x ^s
Rycharde Romneye	iiij ^s iiij ^d
Wyllyam Hyllton	v ^s
Thomas Rye	iiij [£]
Wyllyam Rye	xv ^s
Wyllyam Chatbourne	iiij [£] x ^s
Christofer Hudson	viij [£]

[blank] Chatbourne shomaker

Averye Crofte

John Glewe

Danyell Gyeles

Rycharde Poore

Thomas Hudson

Rycharde Maycott

Wyddowe Newes

George³³ Grenestreete

Roberte Hyllton

George Dixe

Humfreye Lowes

Thomas Wylcockes

John Willarde

Henrye Braynes

Rycharde Peasse

Henrye Clarcke

Wyllyam Johnson

Wyllyam Stevens

George Michell

Nicholas Fyshe

Arthure Egerton

Roberte Lamme jurat

John Gouldthuayte

John Kendrycke

Wyllyam Rockerye

Gyeles Ledgegoode

John Watts

Summa [£57-1-0]

ijj^s

ijj^f

ij^s

xL^s

vj^s

vj^s viij^d

x^s

xv^s

ijj^f

v^s

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ijj^s

v^s

ijj^s iiij^d

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xxx^s

ijj^s iiij^d

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xxx^s

v^s

iii^f

ij^s

vj^s viij^d

xxx^s

x^s

xxx^s

Lvij^f j^s

Preston Streete

George Bennett

George Cruttoll

Thomas Barminge

John Forwoode

Thomas Saunders

Wyllyam Manington

James Johnson

Wyllyam Saxten

John Ryppingall

Gabriell Olyver

Mrs Smalle

x^s

xx^s

xL^s

ij^s

xxx^s

xx^s

v^s

xxxv^s

x^s

x^s

ij^s

³³ rot. 2r.

COUNTER ARMADA OF 1596

Thomas Fynche junior	v ^s
Nycholas Turner	ij ^s
Mr Beere	xx ^s
Thomas Goatlye	xxx ^s
Ralffe Duglas	xx ^s
Thomas Cooke	ij ^s
Mr Nicholson	iiij ^f
Rycharde Pearce	xL ^s
John Ball	xv ^s
Stephen Egleden	v [£]
Mychaell Reve	viii ^f
Thomas Fynche gent	v [£] x ^s
Humfrye Symcockes	xx ^s
Henrye Watterman	ij ^s
Wyllyam Tomlyn	v ^s
John Cooke	xxx ^s
Thomas Annott	x ^s
George Bepitche	iiii ^f
Wyllyam Boddell	iiij ^s
Edwarde Wyllcocke	L ^s
Francesse Gyles	ix [£]
Walter Throwle	xL ^s
Clement Walton	xx ^s
Henrye Palmer	ij ^s
John Bennett	ij ^s
James Thurston	ij ^s
Summa [£60-14-0]	Lx [£] xiiij ^s

Tannerstreete

John Ellfrythe	xL ^s
Andrewe Wotton	vj ^s viij ^d
John Adye	ij ^s
Israell Lee	ij ^s
Wyllyam Kember	xxx ^s
Mychaell Fassett	iiij ^s
John Hallett juratt	v [£] x ^s
Nycholas Catlett	ij ^s
Thomas Cleve	xvi [£]
Wylliam Bele	iii [£]
Robert Snode	xxx ^s
James Worseter	xL ^s
John Lagoe	ij ^s
Summa [£32-7-8]	xxxij [£] vij ^s viij ^d

Freemen³⁴ not inhabitants

Symon Grenestreete	iiij ^f
Wyllyam Tyllman	xL ^s
Thomas Upton	x ^s
John Tye	v ^s
Summa [£5-15-0]	v ^f xv ^s

Bachelers

Ingram Woollett, gent	v ^f
John Woode	xx ^s
Thomas Barton	x ^s
Thomas Drayton	xL ^s
Anthonye Kyngeslande	xx ^s
Nicholas Butcher	ij ^s
Wyllyam Harrys	v ^s
Stephen Hartruppe	x ^s
Thomas Stupple	x ^s
Thomas Tassell	vj ^s viij ^d
Henrye Adye	x ^s
George Hutson	xx ^s
George Eson	ij ^s
Summa [£12-15-8]	xij ^f xv ^s viij ^d

The cesse of forreners for their landes which theye have lyinge and beinge within the towne and libertye of Faversham.

Abbeye streete and Courte streete

IMPRIMIS the landes of Mr Smythe called Thorne meadowes the messuage wherein Mr Clarke dwelleth the bowling greene the churche meadowe and other the lands belonginge to the saide messuage	xL ^s
The landes of Robert Streynsham, that is to say, the howsse wherein Mr Henrye Saker maior nowe dwelleth and for the Abbotts Garden	xvj ^s
The landes late Mr Bennetts videlicet the Saxterye the Pryors garden and washe housse crofte	xL ^s
The landes of Roberte Streynsham late in the occupation of Mr Saintleger and the landes in the occupation of Edwarde Wyllyson and others	xx ^s

³⁴ rot. 2v.

<i>[blank]</i> Prowde for a messuage and garden called the signe of the Cocke late John Goodhewes	iii ^s
<i>[blank]</i> Woode and <i>[blank]</i> Woode for a messuage and garden in the occupation of Elyas Meade	iii ^s
The heyres of John Dyxon for a tenemente and garden in the occupation of Christopher Warrener	xvj ^d
John Fylkes for a tenemente and garden late in the occupation of Thomas Hodge	xij ^d
Mr Edwarde Fagge for three messuages gardens and storehousses in the tenure of Mr Gosnole and others	xij ^s
Theyres of Mr Rycharde Tyllman for three tenementes, gardens, storehousses, loftes, wharffe and crane	xij ^s
Theyres of John Forreter for a tenement and garden in the occupation of the wyddowe Sellande	xij ^d
Roberte Collwell for a tenement late Wyllyam Atkinsons	xij ^d
Edwarde Pordage for a messuage, garden, storehousses, wharfe and crane in the occupation of John Laurence	vii ^s
Mr George Cryspe for a messuage, garden, other the appurtenances in the occupation of Mrs Shrubsole and Nycholas Turner	xij ^s
Mrs Phyllpott wyddowe for a tenemente and garden in the occupation of John Powell	iii ^s
The sayde Mrs Phyllpott for a messuage and other the appurtenances in the occupation of Mr Spracklyn	xx ^s
The sayde Wyddowe Phyllpott for a tenemente in the occupation of Thomas Burwashe	xij ^d
Mr Cloves for a tenemente and garden late in the occupation of John Layman	xvj ^d
The heyres of Wyllyam Phyllpott for a tenemente in the occupation of John Spuddle	xvj ^d
Roberte Pordage for a messuage with the appurtenances in the occupation of Laurence Byneon	ij ^s viij ^d
Theyres of George Wreake clercke for a tenemente and garden in the occupation of John Jarvyse	ij ^s
<i>[blank]</i> Halden ³⁵ clarcke for a messuage and garden in the occupation of <i>[blank]</i> Halden	iii ^s
Of hym more for a tenemente in the occupation of Gunson	xvj ^d
Of hym more for a tenemente in the occupation of Thomas Boyet	xvj ^d
John Banckes for a messuage with the appurtenances in the occupation of Henrye Fugler	ii ^s
<i>[blank]</i> Potkyn for a tenemente in the occupation of <i>[blank]</i> Potkyn	xvj ^d

³⁵ rot. 3r.

John Johnson for a tenement in the occupation of Thomas Johnson hys sonne	xvj ^d
Of him more for a tenement in the occupation of John Deacon	xij ^d
Of him more for a tenement in the occupation of John Swayton	ij ^s
Wyllyam Fynche gent for fower shambles in the thirde rowe of shambles and other shamble belonginge to Perrye in the occupation of the ass[er ³⁶] of Roberte Pordage	xvj ^d
Roberte Jacobbe in the right of his wyffe for a messuage with the appurtenances in the occupation of Roberte Allen	xvj ^s
Summa [£11-16-4]	xi ^l xvj ^s iiij ^d

Preston Streete

Robert Wyse for a tenement in the occupation of Symon Fynne	ij ^s
Theyres of Nycholas Adye for a messuage orcharde and other the appurtenances in the occupation of Clemente Walton	xij ^s
Roberte Jacobbe in the righte of hys wyfe for three tenements and gardens in the occupation of <i>[blank]</i> Symson, Valentine Harrys and John Jefferye	ij ^s viij ^d
The heirs of Nycholas Adye for two tenementes in the occupation of Mrs Belke & <i>[blank]</i>	ij ^s
<i>[blank]</i> Bruster for a tenemente and garden in the occupation of Walter Throwleighe	iiij ^s
Wyllyam Garrett Esquyer for hys messuage barnes stables and closes called Cokesdiche for parcell of Croche and parcell of upper Croche for parcell of Hagdale and parcell of Preston Dane and for a peece of lande called Gatefeilde all which parcelles contain bye estymacion ij ^s ^{xx} [three score] acres lyinge within the libertye of thys towne in the occupaion of Mr Gyeles	xL ^s
The Deane and Chapyter of Christe Church in Canterburye for the parsonage barne the parsonage crosse and peece of lande lyinge behynde the barne and for vij acres of lande called the parsonage meadowe	xx ^s
John Skyr for the messuage called Flowe de Luce and the lands thereto belonginge	viiij ^s
Adam Amyas for a messuage in the occupation of John Rypingall	ij ^s viij ^d
The sayde Adam for a tenement in the occupation of Sammel Adames	xvj ^d

³⁶ Query assessor or assignee.

The sayde Adam for a tenemente in the occupation of Gabriell Olyver	xij ^d
The sayde Adam for a tenemente in the occupation of Samuell Trewman	xij ^d
The sayde Adam for a tenemente in the occupation of Wyllyam Burwashe	ij ^s viij ^d
Reighnolde Cowper for a tenemente in the occupation of Mrs Smalle	xij ^d
John Amyas for a tenemente in the occupation of Wyllyam Haslewoode	viiij ^d
The seide John for a tenemente standinge emptye	viiij ^d
The sayde John for a tenemente in the occupation of Hobbes	viiij ^d
The sayde John for a tenemente in the occupation of [blank] Fynne	viiij ^d
The sayde John for a tenemente late in the occupation of Wydowe Cockes	viiij ^d
The sayde John for a tenemente in the occupation of [blank] Bodill	ij ^s viij ^d
The sayde John for a message with the appurtenances in the occupation of [blank] Wilcockes	vj ^s
Theyres of Wreake for the moyty of a tenemente in the occupation of Christopher Harte	xij ^d
Theyres of the sayde Wreake for a tenemente in the occupation of Edwarde Rawlyn	xij ^d
John ³⁷ Parteridge for a message with the appurtenances in the occupation of John Cooke	v ^s
Christofer Dobinson for a tenemente in the occupation of [blank] Douglas	iiij ^s
[blank] Cocke for a tenemente in the occupation of Thomas Cooke colermaker,	ij ^s
Theiers of Rycharde Streinsham and of Thomas Streinsham junior, for ij partes of the eighte parte of the message called the Brewehouse the gardens, orchardes barnes stables dovehouses ij smale tenementes with three acres of lande thereto aioyninge and for their parte of a peace of lande called vij acres in the occupation of Wylliam Tomlyn	viiij ^s
John Pysinge for a tenemente and garden in the of Thomas Studd	ij ^s
The sayde John for a tenemente standes emptye	viiij ^d
Theyres of John Cruxe for a tenemente late in the occupation of Roger Kyngeslande	ij ^s

³⁷ mem 3v.

George Crispe Esquyer for j acre and a half of land in the feilde one the backesyede of hys orcharde and barne late in the occupation of Thomas Oldefyelde juratt	xij ^d
The sayde George for one acre of land late the maior jurates and commynaltie of Feversham late in the occupation of John Castelocke juratt	xij ^d
Elizabeth Phyllpott for a tenemente late Thomas Watermans	xij ^d
George Crips Esquyer for hys landes lyinge in Kyngesfyelde containing by estimacion xL ^{tie} acres in the occupation of John Castlocke juratt	xxx ^s
Summa [£8-10-0]	viii ^f x ^s
Weste Streete	
Roberte Jacobbe in the righte of hys wyffe for a tenemente in the occupation of Wyllyam Legge	iiij ^s
The sayde Roberte for a tenemente in the occupation of Mychaell Jarman	iiij ^s
Theyres of wydowe Hawkes for the Shyppe	x ^s
Theyres of Roberte Collwell for a tenemente in the occupation of George Collwell	iiij ^s
The sayde heyres for a tenemente in the occupation of Thomas Bickherste	ij ^s
Thomas Haywarde for hys messuage, the orcharde and other the appurtenances, late Thomas Collwell	xij ^s
[blank] Pickes wydowe, for a tenemente in the occupation of George Crosse	iiij ^s
Bartholomewe Elwyn for three tenementes in the occupation of [blank] Parker, Edwarde Murfeilde and Thomas Pennyne	ix ^s
Rycharde Potman gentleman for a tenement in the occupation of Gyeles Gorham	iiij ^s
John Johannes for a messuage in the occupation of Wylliam Johnson	iiij ^s
Theyres of Scott for a messuage in the occupation of Henrye Clarcke	iiij ^s
Nycholas Pemble for a messuage with the appurtenances late George Cruttoll	vij ^s
[blank] Chyttenden for a messuage in the occupation of Robert Hillton	iiij ^s
Theyres of George Chatbourne for a tenemente in the occupation of [blank] Chatbourne	xvj ^d
Isaacke and Henrye Grenestreete for the Fludd mill banckes islandes and iij acres of lande thereto belonginge	xv ^s

Henry Odden for a tenemente and the moyitye of a tenemente in the occupation of Danyell Gyeles	iiij ^s
Robert Jacobbe for a tenemente in the occupation of John Sutton	viiij ^d
[blank] Ambrosse for a messuage called the Stayers in the occupation of John Adye	ij ^s vj ^d
[blank] Snode for a tenemente in the occupation of Israell Lee	ij ^s viiiij ^d
Thomas Stransham for the mill, the meadowe and other the appurtenances in the occupation of [blank] Wotton	v ^s iiiij ^d
Theyres of [blank] Holte for a tenemente in the occupation of John Smythe	xvj ^d
Wyllyam Henman for a tenemente in the occupation of Nicholas Catlett	ij ^s
The Vycker of Feversham for hys meadowe in the occupation of Robert Snode	vj ^d
Theyres ³⁸ of Wylliam Fynche gentleman for ix acres of lande in Cuthorne in the occupation of Robert Pordage	vij ^s
The lands late Sir Thomas Sondes lyinge in Cutthorne in the occupation of William Tomlyn	vij ^s
For one acre of lande lying in Cutthorne in the occupation of Allexander Ower	viiij ^d
Theyres of [blank] Wattes for twoe acres of lande lyinge next the lane there in the occupation of wydowe Wattes	xvj ^d
The sayde heyres for a tenemente and garden adjoyninge to the sayde lane called Cocke lane	xij ^d
The master and fellowes of St John Colledge in Cambridge for one crofte of land late in the occupation of Mathewe Tayler and for the Masendue and the howsses and lands thereto belonginge and for the mill with the appurtenances in the occupation of James Wourceter and John Lagoe	xv ^s
The lande late Sir Thomas Sondes, Knighte, called Padbrooke in the occupation of Wyllyam Tomlyn	xvj ^d
Summa [£6-13-0]	vi [£] xiiij ^s viiiij ^d
Summa Totalis [£303-13-0]	iii [£] ciiii [£] xiiij ^s

Faversham

The³⁹ common council held there on Friday, that is to say the fifth day of March in the thirty eighth year of our sovereign lady Elizabeth, by the grace of

³⁸ rot. 4r.

³⁹ Commune Concilium tent, ibidem die veneris videlicet Quinto die Marcii anno regni domine nostre Elizabeth Dei gratia Anglie Francie et Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris, etc Tricesimo Octavo per Henricum Saker Maiorem Ville predictae Christoferum Fynche, Nicholaum Upton Robertum Lame. Johannem Upton Robertum Banes et Thomam Pelham Jurattem eiusdem ville, Humfridem Kybbett, Thomam Waterman, Willelmum Cademan, Edmundum Cobbe, Anthonium Bodell, Nicholaum Bull Thomam Fynche, Thomam Rye, Georgium

God of England France and Ireland Queen, defender of the faith etc. by Henry Saker mayor of the town aforesaid, Christopher Fynche, Nicholas Upton, Robert Lamme, John Upton, Robert Banes, and Thomas Pelham jurates of the same town, Humphrey Kybbett, Thomas Waterman, William Cademan, Edmund Cobbe, Anthony Bodell, Nicholas Bull, Thomas Fynche, Thomas Rye, George Cruttoll, John Lawrence, William Wayman, William Tomlyn and John Swayton commoners or of the common council of the town aforesaid.

For the better leavyinge of the foreseid cesse and for the better and more spedyer preparinge and furnyshinge of the same servyce As yt becometh subiects in all loyaltie fayeth and obedience to their prince and duetye to their cuntrye, and that the good and faythefull servyce of the same portes, twoe auncyente townes and their members may be (as heretofore) done and contynued to their contynuall and everlastinge prayse fame and comendacion.

Yt ys agreayd and enactyd bye the foreseide maior juratts and commynaltye here assemblyd and gatheryd together that the same cesse shalbe with all convenyent speede that may be gathered and levyed upon the same severall inhabytaunces rescyanters owners and inherytours bye Thomas Waterman, Danyell Gyeles and George Cruttoll, three of the commoners of the same towne collectours of the same here, At the laste wardmoot holden here the xvth daye of Januarye in the xxxvijth yere of the reigne of our foresaide soveraigne ladye Quene Elizabeth [15 Jan 1596] nomynated chosen and appoynted for the collection and resceyvinge of the same, And that the sayde collectours and everye of them shall have full power and authorytie to distreigne All such person and persons as are cessyd As contrybutories to the foreseide cesse, that shall refuse to paye the same cesse and monye upon them imposed in and bye the same cesse bye all their goodes and chattelles in anye manner of wyesse founde or to be founde within the libertye of the same towne in whosse handes possessyon or custodye the same goodes and chatteles shalbe founde, And the dystresse and dystresses soe taken bye the sayde collectours or some one of theym, shall be saffelye kepte bye the sayed collectours that shall soe dystreigne, bye the space of fyve dayes nexte followynge After the takinge of the same dystresse or dystresses within which space of fyve dayes yf the person or persons soe dystrayned shall not satisfye and paye to the same collectour the cesse or monye wherefore they shalbe soe dystreyned, That then the sayed collectours shall cause the dystresse or dystresses so taken to be preyed bye the othes of syxe men of the libertye of the same towne And after the same appreysement made shall sell the same goodes and chatteles or soe muche thereof as shall contente satisfye and paye the same hys or their cesse or cesses, And the overplus of the monye commynge of the sale of the same goodes (yf

Cruttall, Johannem Laurence, Willelmum Wayman, Willelmum Tomlyn et Johannem Swayton Communitatem sive de communi consilio ville predictae. [This is the same as Fa/AC3 fol. 40v]

anye shall happen to be) shalbe bye the sayde collectours or somme one of theym delyvered to the partye that dyd owe the same goodes.

And yt ys also agreayd and enactyd bye the foreseide maior jurattes and commynalte That yf there be anye manner of person or persons inhabitinge and rescynging within the libertye of the same towne that ys under age and ys cessayd to the aforeseide contrybucion in the same cesse and ys in the custodye and keepinge of anye other the inhabitantes and rescyants within the same libertye bye reason of hys mynorytie and nonage That then yf such person or persons as have the custodye and keepinge of such person or persons under age will refusse⁴⁰ to paye the cesse or money whereunto he ys cessed and charged in and bye the foreseide cesse that then such person and persons as have or shall have the custodye and keepynge of every suche person and persons under age shalbe bye the maior of the same towne for the tyme beyng comytted to the pryson in the same towne thereto remaine untill he or theye have payed to the sayde collectours the same cesse or moneye ymposed upon every such person or persons under age as aforeseide

And yt ys also agreayd and enactyd bye the foreseide maior juratts and commynaltye, That yf anye person or persons chargyd in and bye the same cesse shall have noe goodes and chatteles within the libertye of the same towne Or yf the sayd collectours shall not fynde or come bye anye goodes or chatteles of the same person or persons and the same person or persons shall refuse to paye to the sayde collectours the same cesse and monye imposed upon them in and bye the same cesse That then the same person and persons shalbe (bye the maior of the same towne for the tyme being) comytted to the foreseide pryson of the same towne thereto remaine until he or theye have payed to the sayde collectours of the same cesse or monye imposed upon everye the same person or persons

And yt ys also agreayd and enactyd bye the foreseide maior juratts and commynaltie, That yf anye person or persons that dwell oute of the libertye of the same towne, whosse landes and tenementes lyinge and beinge within the same libertye are cessayd and chardgeable in and bye the same cesse to the foreseide servyce, As in righte and of custome they are to be chargyd whoe shall refusse to paye the same cesse or monye imposed upon them in respecte of the same their landes and tenementes That then the saide collectours and everye of them shall enter in and uppon the lands and tenements of such person or persons As soe shall refusse to paye the same cesse or monye And there to distreigne the goodes and chattelles of every such person and persons soe refusinge to paye and the goodes and chatteles of everye their farmour or farmours occupier or occupiers of the same their landes and tenementes and the dystresse or distresses soe taken to preysse sell and usse in all respects as ys aforeseide.

⁴⁰ rot. 4r.

Provided allwayes that yf if the foreseide owners or inherytours of the saide landes and tenementes or anye of them shall refuse to dischardge and paye the same cesse soe imposed and leyed upon them and everye of them and alsoe to acquyet and dyschardge their foreseide severall farmours and occupyers of the same cesse That then the goods and chattells of everye such owner and inheryter hereafter at anye tyeme commynge or to be founde within the libertye of the same towne shalbe dystreyned taken used and solde by the seide collectours or somme one of theim or bye suche other person or persons as shalbe appoynted by the maior of the sayde towne for tyeme beinge as aforeseide to and for the satisfaction and payment of everye of their farmours tenants and occupyers dystreyned for the same cesse or monye and paynge the same as ys aforeseide **In wyttnes** of all and singuler the premysses the aforeseide maior jurattes and commynalty of the aforeseide towne of Faversham their common seale of the same towne hereunto have caused to be putt. Dated at Faversham aforeseide the daye and yere afore wrytten.

(Town Seal)

Endorsement A Cesse for Shippinge. *In a later hand:* Cesse to find victual a manne of warr.⁴¹

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APPENDIX
Examinations in the High Court of Admiralty

PRO: HCA 1/42

folio 78 Wednesday 2 March 1585/6

JOHN BARRET of Ratlif in the countie of Middlesex maryner of the age of xxx^{tie} yeares or theareabowtes examyned before Mr Doctour Cesar Judge of her majesties highe courte of the admiraltie touching the spoile and robborie committed by him uppon a hoye of Faversham called *The Peter* of Feversham ryding at an anker at Coxes keye sayeth therunto that he being hired for a sailour to saile in the saide hoye from hens to Feversham yesterdaye being the first of Marche 1585 thre howers before night being aboard the said hoye all alone toke a peece of lockeram contayning ij or thre ells a pece of fustian of jeane⁴² containing xij yardes or theareabowtes and a pece of red buckeram contayning iij yardes or theareabowtes 2 smale potte of honey estemyng the same to be worthe in the whole xiijs iijd or theareabowtes and more or other goodes he had not owt of the said hoy with whiche said goodes he departid from the said hoye and went ashore in a sculler who was the owner thereof he knoweth not when he was landed in Sowthwerke side he went thearwith to a vittelyng hows neare the Lyme Kylls but what signe it was or the Goodmans name of the said victuallyng howse was is he knoweth not nor had any acquaintaunce in the same howse And sayeth that he was pursued by the Master and taken the same night at the said victuallyng howse about v or six of the clocke and carryed from thence by the constables and officers of the said place to the cownter in Sowthwerke where he remayned all night

[Latin] *Mark of the said* John X Barret Jul[ius] Caesar⁴³

folio 137v Tuesday xij March 1587

William Andrewe of London laborer of the adge of fortye fower yeares or there aboutes sworne and examined before the righte worsshipful Mr Doctor Cesar Judge of the Admiraltye towching the spolinge of a hoye of Feversham called *The Peter* whereof was Master Andrewe Clerke laden with houshoulde stuffe linnen cloathe butter and other thinges sayethe that Aboute Michaelmas laste paste the tyme otherwise he doth not nowe remember the said hoye the Peter beinge laden her at London withe the goodes a forsaide to goe for Feversham and beinge here viadge betwixte Grenehive and Purffleete under sayle was there aboute tene of the clocke at nighte borde by certayne men then in a payre oares ~~boarded and entered~~ howe many were of them or what their names were he knowethe not but sayethe that one of them came aborde the sayde hoye with an naked sworde in his hande and aboute fowre or fyve more withe him as he rememberethe and presently they stowed the said Andrewe Clerke then Master

⁴² OED: A twilled cotton cloth; a kind of fustian.

⁴³ See DNB and also Evelyn Berkman, *Victims of Piracy, The Admiralty Court 1575-1678*, (1979) pp. 16-17.

this examinante and a boye beinge all that was in the said hoye under hatches in the fore romme of the hoye⁴⁴

And sayethe thate one of the said pirattes haveinge a scarfe over his face beinge a blacke man and haveinge a shorte blacke bearede came downe twise or thrise into the houlde to the master and this examinante and had of the master att one tyme a angell in goulde and before they departed he toke from him all the reste of the money whiche he hade

Further he sayethe that the sayde pyrates riffled the said hoye att their pleasure and brake uppe with a fide⁴⁵ twoe or three chestes then in the same shippe whiche belonged to one of Westminster that was goeing then to dwell at Canterbury and toke out of the same certayne linnen cloathes the quantity or parcells he cannot tell certayne apparell out of a cloackebage and some firkins of butter howe many he cannot tell neither to whome the same belonged

Allsoe he sayethe that the sayd pirattes toke out of the said hoye a small fardell⁴⁶ of linnen cloathe packed uppe in canvas whiche was as clerke toulde this examinante to be delyvered to one Henry Daniell Morcocke of Asheforde on Kente whiche this examinante hearde was sente on borde the said hoye by a boye of one Thomas Higginson of this citey, but whether the same packe or fardell belonged to Higginson or noe he doethe not knowe howe be it he sayethe he this examinante sawe a boye bringe the said packe or fardell on borde as aforesaid All whiche before by him deposed he knowethe to be trewe because he sayled in the hoye that viadge and was in her when shee was robbed

[signature] Willeam Andrewes

folio 139 13 March 1587

Andrewe Clerke of Feversham in the county of Kente sayler master of *The Peter* of the same place of the age of L yeares or there aboutes sworne and examined before the righte worshipful Master Doctor Caesar Judge of the Admiralty towchinge the robbinge and spoilinge of the said hoye sayethe

That this examinante beinge master of the said hoye as att this tyme he is dyd receive into her in this porte of London aboute Michaelmas laste three chestes of housholde stufte for one of Canterbury his name he knoweth not, vij firkins of butter for one Lewes Tiffyn or Tevelyn of Canterbury and twoe more firkins for one Whitte of the same place, a litle fardell or trusse of linnen cloathe belonginge to one Hogginson of this city a baskette wi the iron warre and twoe or three skryes of the forsaid Whittes, a truncke and a cloake bagge and diverse other thinges.

⁴⁴ The imprisoning of the crew, while they ransacked the ship, appears to have been a standard practice of less blood thirsty pirates.

⁴⁵ Earlier reference than OED; A conical pin of hard wood, from 9 to 30 in. long, used to open the strands of a rope in splicing.

⁴⁶ OED: A bundle, a little pack; a parcel.

And beinge bounde towardes Canterbury with the same hoye and laden was betwixte Purffleette and Greenehithe entered and borded by certayne persons in a payre of oares to the number of tenne persons, one of whiche came aboard with a naked sworde in his hand and stowed this examinant and company under houldfe in the said hoye or shippe and then rifeled the same att their pleasure and toke furthe of here theises parcells followeing, that is to say, they toke out of here the forsayde fardell or packe of lynnens cloathe, seaven firkins of the said butter, a pece of wollen cloathe with diverse other thinges whiche this examinant doethe not nowe remember

Further he sayethe that one of the said pyrates toke from this examinee purse x^s in goulde and fyve shillinges in white money, whereof a leaven shillinges belonged unto Abraham Snode owner of the said hoye *The Peter* and fower shillinges to this examinee and when they had done they lefte this examinee and company in houlde and soe departed but whether he doeth not knowe neither doethe he knowe any of their names. The marke of Andrew Clerke. [see drawing]



folio 139v same day: Abraham Snothe of Feversham in the county of Kent owner of *The Peter* of Feversham of the burthen of xij tons late sployed in the River of Thames by Henry Pinner⁴⁷

That on Saterdaye the vijth of October laste this examinee hoye came to Feversham from this porte of London the master and company whereof toulde him this examinee that they had been robbed by certayne persons to them unknowne betwixte Purffleete and Greenehive of suche goodes as they had in here where uppon this examinee caused the said hoye to be kepte close withe suche goodes as was in her lefte untill suche as were owners of the goodes came, that he mighte knowe whate was taken awaye, whereby as he sayethe he knowethe that there was taken out of here by the said spoylers seaven firkins of butter fyve belonged unto one Lewys Tevelyn of Canterbury and the other twoe unto one Stephen Steven White of the same place, one smalle trusse or fardell of lynnens cloathe belonginge unto Thomas Higginson of this citty a truncke and diverse chestes where broken uppe and thinges taken out of the same as sheetes table cloathes and diverse other parcells of linnen but the particulers he doethe not knowe

Further he sayethe that the said pyrates toke from Andrew Clerke the master of the hoye xv^s in golde and silver, whereof a leaven belonged unto this examinee and the reste to the said Clerke Alsoe they cutte awaye certayne toppes from the said hoye which they carryed awaye, And more he cannot depose, saveing he sayethe aboute a seninghte after this examinee haveinge worde sente him that suche fellowe weare taken withe butter came to London where he sawe Kirbye Hockey⁴⁸ and Laynton whiche weare apprehended and

⁴⁷ See further references under HCA 1/3 folio 94 & 95, HCA 1/42 folios 134 and 139.

⁴⁸ See further reference for Thomas Hockey HCA 1/3/94, 95, 105-8; 42/128, 139; William Kirby HCA 1/40/107, 108; HCA 1/101/6, HCA 13/98/75.

taken withe some of the sayde butter that then was robbed out of this examinants saide hoye haveinge the very cardes and markes of direction upon them to whom they were to be delyvered whiche three persons were by the forsaied Master Doctor Cesar committed to the Marshallsey as fellons upon suspicion of piracye

Further this examinant sayethe that beinge in London harking stille after ware of the said spoylers he hearde that some were taken att Lambethe and broughte before Master Seargeant Fenner and there upon he this examinante and one Gore repared to the said Master Fenner to understande further of the matter and after talke had withe him he tolde them that there was broughte before him⁴⁹ one William Vermen⁵⁰, George Darke, [blank] Gubbins and a boye and that there was founde in the possession of some of them a baskette wherein was certayne lynnyn cloathes as sheetes table napkins and suche like which was parcell of suche goodes as was missed out of the said hoye And there upon this examine and the said Gore requested the said Master Seargeant that the said partyes mighte be broughte before him agayne in this examinantes presence, where upon the said partyes aboute adaye or twoe after weere broughte before the said Master Fenner att Seargeants Ine in London And this examinante being present demanded whiche of the said fower weare they that brought uppe the forsaied baskett and thinges in it And then the said William Vermen and George Darke confessed before the sayde Master Fenner this examinante the said Gore, Gubbins, the boye and the Cunstable of Lambethe and others then presente that they broughte the same from Debteforde to Lambethe and that they were to carry it to London the nexte daye, to one Master Pinner a gentleman whoe lefte the same withe them for their fayre, And there upon this examinante chardged the said Vermen and Darke of piracye or felony before the said Master Fenner craveinge justice att his handes for their furthe comeinge And desiered further as he sayethe that the said twoe partyes mighte be broughte before the said Master Doctor Cesar judge of the Admiralty to be further examined, And Master Seargeant Fenner made answeere he had allredy taken bonde for their furthe comeinge and soe woulde not suffer them to be broughte to the said judge unless this examinante woulde give his worde for there comeinge backe agayne whiche this examinante refused to doe And sayethe that the said Master Fenner afterwards toke the Cunstable a side and talked withe him and then he broughte them to the said judge his lodginge whoe not beinge then att leasure to examine them chardged the sayde cunstable to bringe them to him agayne the seconde daye after in the morninge since whiche tyme this examinante never sawe the said partyes but haveinge made enquierie for them he doethe understande that they fled and runne away upon the same.

[signature] Abraham Snothe

⁴⁹folio 140

⁵⁰See further on William Verman and George Darke, HCA 1/3/94, 95; 42/139. Henry Gubbins HCA 1/3/107