

SCOTLAND

TO

FRANCE

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1474)

Nov. 1474

Conveyed to France in James 3's 'Yellow Carvel'.

TA1 p.lxii.

TO FRANCE (1488-9)

Lyon herald

Snowdon herald

departing after 3 Nov 1488

Parliament suggests embassy to get king married; preliminary mission by Lyon & Snowdon; S went to SP; presumably Lyon went to Fr.

TA 1 pp.lxxxiii-v; 97

TO FRANCE (1491)

Patk, Earl of Bothwell, Robt bp of Glasgow, Richard Muirhead, Dean of Glasgow, Lord Oliphant or Glamis.

Ambassadors

For marriage alliance & treaty with FR; Monypenny was prob. on mission as well - he had secret communication from J5 to CH8. Treaty renewed with secret condition that that K of SC should make war on EN whenever H7 should at war with FR. The poet Dunbar may have been on the mission.

TA 1 pp. cviii-ix, 172, 179, 180, 182-4.

TO FRANCE (1501)

Master Edward Sinclair

July 1501 departing

£20 prepayment

On 'the king's errands'.

TA 2 p.114.

TO FRANCE (1502)-1

Master Robert Cokburn March 1502

£70 prepayment

TA 2 p.138

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1502)-2

Sir Alexander Bruce Sept 1502?

£70 prepayment

TA 2 p.159

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1503)

Sir George Lawedir

Sept 1503

£70 prepayment

'at the king's command'.

TA 2 p.375

TO FRANCE (1504-5)

Lyon herald

Initially received £50 8s. for 3 months in Apr. 1504 and later received in Feb 1505 further sums amounting to £136 for remaining a whole year in FR.

TA 2 p.xci(fn), 427, 478.

TO FRANCE (1507)-1

Rothsay herald (pre^v. Blewmantell, pursuivant to the Queen).

king's letter of 1 March.

£70 prepayment

'the king's errands'. To continue to SP & Por

TA 3 p.371; LJ4 57-8.

TO FRANCE (1507)

James Hamilton, Earl of Arran

king's letter of 14 & 18 Sept & Instructions of 10 Oct

To answer Louis's request for SC infantry to fight in Italy with a polite no. Arran also on private business in FR. Arran who travelled with young Abp of St Andrews was detained by H7 on his return through EN. Arran was also accompanied by Robert Cockburn who was Louis's chaplain and who had brought his request to SC. J4 commended Cockburn to L12 and instructed to tell him that J4 will send troops in future if enough advance notice is given. J4 may have given Cockburn secret instructions re his crusade proposals.

LJ4 pp. xliii-iv, 85, 87-9

TO FRANCE (1508)

Gavin Douglas, clerk register, archdeacon of St Andrews & dean of Moray,
and Antony Darces, Lord de la Bastie, a Fr subject and a knight of J4.

king's letter of June 1508

Ambassadors

to deal with certain articles brought by FR AMs Sellat & D'Aubigny.

LJ4 113-6, 120, 122.

TO FRANCE (1510-2)

Andrew Forman, bishop of Moray.

Left SC end of Oct, in Blois in December, Grenoble in June, Blois in Nov,
& again in Jan, back SC in mid-Feb 1512

ambassador

Audiences in Dec 1510, 20-23 June, 8 Nov, 17 Jan

In Dec 1510 Forman had instructions to remind L12 of his promised support for J4's crusade, to ask for guns, troops and munitions and for these to be put under J4's command, whether the first objective should be Alexandria or Constantinople. Was to go to Rome to tell the Pope that his hostility to Louis was preventing a crusade and that he should be subjected to conciliar control. In 1511 Forman shuttled between L12 & J2. On 18 Jan 1512 he left Blois 'as there is no hope'. L12 told him to tell J4 that L12 could not help his crusade at this time because of the hostility of the Pope but that within a year of peace he would levy a tithe from all his territories and give J4 an army & navy to pursue his dream. J4 on his part should refuse to join the league & demand that the Pope hold a council in a neutral place.

LJ4 pp.xlviii-lii, liv-v, 181-4, 189-90, 195-8, 200-1, 206-7, 210, 213-6, 220-5.

TO FRANCE (1511)

Unicorn herald; Marchmont herald

Departing 11 Dec

Errands; Letter delivery; Marchmont to my lord of Murray

TA 4 pp. 322, 325.

TO FRANCE (1511-2)

Marchmont herald

before April 1512

On the king's errands to the k of FR

TA 4 pp xxviii, 341.

TO FRANCE (1512)-1

Sir Henry Wood

returning Jan 1512

Prepaid £5 12s

Returning to my lord of Murray on the king's errands.

TA 4 pp.325

TO FRANCE (1512)-2

Unicorn Herald

carries reciprocal SC-FR treaty against EN which J4 swore to on 6 Mar

LJ4 232-4

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1512)-3

James Ogilvy

departing 11 July with De La Mothe

????

LJ4 253-5; TA 4 pp.297, 299

TO FRANCE (1512)-4

James Merchemstoun, provost of Corstorphine & Chancellor of Chapel
Royal.

king's letter of 17 Aug

???

Following report of an attack on De La Mothe's ship, J4 sends
Merchemstoun to L12 with full credence & doubles of all documents.

LJ4 264.

TO FRANCE (1513)

Andrew Forman, Bishop of Moray; Unicorn herald

Commissioned 25 March 1513; left 31 March

Ambassador

£27 prepayment to Unicorn to pass to Fr with Moray

Moray was sent as AM to new Pope but may never have reached Italy. He had presented letters to L12 at Blois on or before 17 Apr. L12 requested the chapter of Bourges to elect him their Archbishop which the Pope granted on 15 July.

TA 4 p.407; 114 294-7, 300, 303-8.

TO FRANCE (1516)

Robert Cockburn, bp of Ross

1516

Ambassador

Sent by parliament to marry J5 to daughter of F1. But F1 is unco-operative & also refuses to ratify ancient Fr-SC treaty.

TA 5 pp.xxiii, 50-3, 74.

TO FRANCE (1517)

Sir James Hamilton

before Apr/May 1517

£100 reimbursement.

TA 5 p.158.

TO FRANCE (1517-21)

Albany

Went to FR himself, got treaty signed; F1's 2nd daughter to marry J5; by 1521 this was changed to Madelaine.

TA 5 p.xxiv

TO FRANCE (1524)

David Beaton

Prob. May

Ambassador

Re marriage of J5

TA 6 pp.xxxvi-vii

TO FRANCE (1525)

John archdeacon of St Andrews

Feb 1525

Sent by Queen Margaret to Fl

TA 6 p.xxxiii

TO FRANCE (1525-7)

Patrick Wemyss, captain of Scottish Archer Guard in FR.

Paid early 1527

Ambassador

£200 reimbursement

1525 sent by SC PC to the regent Louise of Savoy re peace with EN which FR opposed. Either one mission or two.

TA 5 p.330; 6 p.xxxv.

TO FRANCE (1531) Albany

revoked 1531 by J5 Ambassador

TA 6 p.xliii

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1531-2)

Marchmont

returned by Feb 1532

reimbursed £10 10s

TA 6 p.43

TO FRANCE (1532)

Sir Tho. Erskine of Haltoun, secretary; bp of Ross, laird of Gawistowne; D. Lyndsey, herald.

Preparations in Feb; perhaps did not leave until March or April

£504 ordinary + £357 17s 6d extraordinary prepaid to Erskyn for four months; £105 to Lindsey. In Apr the party was furnished with £787 10s by Edinburgh burgesses - was this part payment?

TA 6 pp.44,45.

TO FRANCE (1532-3)

Beaton, Marchmont

Prob. back by Feb 1533

Ambassador

£40 to Marchmont; £6 11s 3d to Marchmont.

To give Fl assurance over trouble on Anglo-Scottish border & to demand hand of MAD for J5. Fl only offers a niece. But B. returns believing royal match still poss.

TA 6 pp.xlvii4, 132.

TO FRANCE (1533)

set out 26 Mar 1533

Ambassadors

Albany to marry Madelaine on J5s behalf; but F1 would not consider a marriage while J5 was menancing 18.

TA 6 pp. xlv-xlvi, 96

TO FRANCE (1534)-1

Beaton, Erskine, Lyndsey

beginning 20 Feb 33, back by 26 May

Ambassadors

To offer dowry of 200,000 crowns for Mad. with marriage in the summer.

F1 offers Marie of B. Ams accuse F1 of violating treaty of Rouen & open contacts with Imp Am for hand of Dorothea of DK. 18 April Dorothea married, C5 suggests Infanta Marie of Portugal as an alternative.

TA 6 pp xlix, 1-lii, 125, 231-2.

TO FRANCE (1534)-2

James Akinhead

May 1534

prepaid £141 15s

To Bordeaux & other places In Fr on king's errands.

TA 6 p.231

TO FRANCE (1535)

James Aikenhead

sends favourable report.

TA 6 p.lvii

TO FRANCE (1535-6)

Erskine, Moray + two others; Robert Reid, abbot of Kinloss added later.

? 1535 to Apr/May? 1536; Erskine & Kinloss returned in Dec.

Ambassadors

Marriage treaty signed at Lyons. Fl to pay J5 120,000 livres on wedding day; the Duc of Vendome 80,000. Dunbar to FR. Moray bring back order of St Michael for J5.

TA 6 pp.245, 263

TO FRANCE (1537)

Beaton, George Hay

Ambassador

£3628 16s 10d collected from church for this embassy.

F1 proposes M of Lorraine; J5 accepts. 100, 000 tournois + 30,000 gift from Fl.

TA 6 pp. lxxii-iv, 296, 314-5, 333.

TO FRANCE (1538)

Lord Maxwell

Apr-June 1538?

Ambassador

Marries Marie in king's name 18 May in Paris; lands Crail in Fife 10 June;
marries J5 at St Andrews 11 June.

TA 6 plxxiv

TO FRANCE (1539)

Laird of Brunetone

1539

£110 ?reimbursement

letter delivery?

TA 7 p.275

TO FRANCE (1540)

Thomas Robertson

1540 or before

reimbursed £75 for twice sailing to FR.

TA 7 p.296

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1540)

Beaton

in FR Sept 40

Ambassador?

Balc I, 148

TO FRANCE (1540-1)

Earl of Moray

in FR in Mar/Apr 1541

£488 18s sent to him

TA 7 pp. 315, 432, 439; 10, p.14

TO FRANCE (1541)-1

Alexander Gordon

departing 6 Apr.

prepaid £100

TA 7 p.444

TO FRANCE (1541)-2

Cardinal David Beaton

departing in the Unicorn in mid July 1541; Unicorn returned on 20 Aug
but Balc I says Beaton was still in FR in Sept 1541.

TA 7 pp. 497, 500; 8 pp. 24, 31; Balc I, 169.

TO FRANCE (1541)-3

James Scrymgeour

departing 11 Sept £110

Letter delivery?

TA 8 p.24.

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1542)-1

the protonothary & a servant of the Queen

departing Mar 1542

TA 8 p.72.

TO FRANCE (1542)-2

Cardinal Beaton

in Fr by 18 June? (Balc I 228); departing July 1542 - Dates unclear.

£149 13s towards the expenses of the grete Unicorn.

TA 8 p.91; Balc I 228.

TO FRANCE (1542)-3

Lord Governor's man departing dec 42

279

£110 prepaid

Letter delivery - FR & other unspecified places.

TA 8 p.149.

TO FRANCE (1544-5)

David Paniter & Sir John Campbell; later joined by Alex. Guthrie, Snowdon Herald.

Dispatched 31 March; arrived Fr by 22 April

Ambassador

April 44 - £810 delivered to Paniter in FR (600 crowns); 22 Dec 44 recompensed with £300.

To Fr to renew old treaties and describe state of affairs in SC. Also to Flanders. Snowdon brought collar for C5

TA 8 pp. 278, 319, 335, 340, 355, 400-1; SCML 74-5.

TO FRANCE (1545)

John Hay

from at least May; back in SC by Nov.

Ambassador

Hay brought money back from Fr

TA 8 pp. 400, 415; SCML 136-8.

TO FRANCE (1546)

John Hay

Landed FR 13 Feb together with De Longes, prev. AM in SC; ready to leave end of April 46.

Ambassador

Balc I 132-4, 160, 165; SCML 158-161

TO FRANCE (1547)-1

David Paniter

Commissioned 2 Oct; departing end of Oct 46 from Berwick; arrives London 10 Nov; 5 Mar departs for FR.

Ambassador

If English refused comprehension, he was to seek comprehensive military and financial support from FR to stop impending English invasion. Because of death of Fl in April 47 he needed a new commission even though he had already spoken to the new king. Sent to SC to get new accreditation.

TA 9 pp 31, 72, 148; SCML 164, 174, 175, 179-80; RPCS I 54-5.

TO FRANCE (1547)-2

Thomas Erskine, abbot of Dryborough, and John Hay.

Abbot was on a special mission from Dowager; Hay was to replace Hamilton. Captured in the *Lyon* off Dover. Held in London. Released in June. Hay continued to FR whence he departed 9 Mar 48.

Ambassadors.

£200 reimbursement to Hay in Aug 1550; should have been paid Mar 47.

TA 9 pp. 444, 456; SCML 176, 180.

TO FRANCE (1547)-3

John Hamilton of Mylnbum, former Master of Works

Departing Oct 47

£31 10s; £6 16s & 20 to kit out Mylnburn.

Going to Fr on Lord governor's affairs; to continue to Rome.

TA 9 pp. 127, 134, 135.

TO FRANCE (1549-50)

David Paniter, postulate of Ross.

in FR by 30 Mar 49; still there Sept 50.

Balc II 46-7, 65-7, 74-5, 307-8.

TO FRANCE (1550)-1

James Beaton, abbot of Arbroath.

12 Apr in Paris

Prob agent of Queen Dowager rather than AM

Delivering letters to king & others

SCML 323-4

TO FRANCE (1550)-2

Thomas Erskine

departing after 22 April (instructions).

Ambassador

After Fr vict at Boulogne, EN sued for peace. Erskine's mission to EN, FR & E followed M. de Funnell's arrival with memorial from Paris. Instructed to discharge all SC ships in Fr harbours to prevent further attacks on E. Poss. marriage of Mary & Dauphin. Scotland's suggestions for peacetime garrison reductions if H2 wants to save money. That H2 should keep 1000 troops in SC. Ransom & exchange of war prisoners. SC can't afford to deal with Rome - could H2 get Cardinal of Guise who is there to get a legacy for Abp of St. Andrews and to ensure the Prince's rights of nomination because R. Creighton is trying to buy a bishopric at Rome. H2 to examine Erskine's instructions to E and to accompany him with a FR AM to promote a SC-IMP peace.

RPCS I 86-93

TO FRANCE (1551-2)

Robert Camegy

15 wks before Feb 52

In Fr & En on the business of Queen & LG.

TA 10 p.62

TO FRANCE (1552)-1

Alexander Lyndsey

departing 14 Feb 1552

£100 prepayment

TA 10 p.60.

TO FRANCE (1552)-2

20 March 1552

Proposal to send a gent. to Fr about inconvenience of renewed war with E following request by H2 to SC Estates to join him in war according to treaty.

RPCS 1120

TO FRANCE (1552)-3

Robert Forman, Ross herald

departing May 1552; prob arrived 29; sent back on or after 4 June

£400 prepayment

To take articles from SC C to k of Fr & EM; sent back with letters for D'Oysel.

TA 10 p.84

TO FRANCE (1552)-3

Abp of Glasgow

leaving for SC on or after 20 Dec 1552

Ambassador or Queen Mother's agent?

Balc II 130-1

TO FRANCE (1553)-1

Gavin Hamilton, abbot of Kilwinning; servants + Alexander Ross?

left probably in Mar.

Ambassador

prepaid £5161 5s 6d

TA 10 pp.xxxvi-xxxvii, 144, 150, 161, 168, 174, 177

TO FRANCE (1553)-2

Abp of Glasgow

leaving FR 22 Apr 1553

Ambassador

Letters for Queen Mother

Bale II 148-9.

TO FRANCE (1553-4)

Abp of Glasgow

in FR 12 Nov; still there 22 Mar

Queen Mother's agent

Receives 400 ecus from Marie of Lorraine's treasurer.

Balc II, 178-9, 195-7

TO FRANCE (1554)

Paniter - 'My lord of Ross, Secretar'

departing SC 11 Jan 1554; still in Fr 31 Oct 1554

Ambassador

Silver vessells to defray his expenses. He had lent D'Oysel money before his departure.

'The hasty dispatch... concerning the common weill of this realme'. In FR to arrange marriage of E of Arran; given the abbey of L'Abyse as a reward for helping Dowager get the regency in 1551.

RPCS 1151-2; Balc II 189, 213, 245-7, 256-8.

TO FRANCE (1558)-1

Beaton, Abp of Glasgow, R. Reid, Bp of Orkney, Earl of Cassilis, Lord Fleming, Lord Seton, Prior of St.Andrews, Erskine of Dun; heralds

departed 6/7 Feb. In Fr in Mar

Commissioners.

As requested by K of F, a commission from SC parliament appointed 14 Dec 57 to arrange marriage of Mary & Dauphin. Re-appointed by Mary 16 March.

TA 10 pp lxxvii-lxix, 330, 332, 333; SCML 411.

TO FRANCE (1558)-2

Maitland

leaving 3 Mar

£765 prepayment. Going to EN & Fr on Queen's affairs

TA 10 p.417

TO FRANCE (1560)

Steven Wilson

departing 11 Feb

£80 prepayment

to Fr on Q's affairs

TA11p.12

TO FRANCE (1561)

James Beaton

in Paris 6-27 Dec

Ambassador

PNM 418-9

TO FRANCE (1565)

James Beaton

Jan with Cardinal of Lorraine; Mar & Oct approaches to SP AM

PNM 463-4, 469

Hiram Morgan

TO FRANCE (1566-7)

James Beaton

in Paris til at least 23 Feb 67

Ambassador

Possible author of 'A discourse of a Scottish to a Spanish ambassador' in May 66 (Chisholm also a possibility); his brother John Beaton is dispatched with 4000 scudi to Mary in Autumn 66; in close touch with Bp of Mondovi in Paris; receives Papal Bull; has trick played on him by SP AM Alava over monies due to Mary from France and Rome

PNM 240, 276, 280, 283, 313, 354, 475, 502.

TO FRANCE (1568)

Alex Clark

£75 prepayment

To pass to E & F at lord regent's spec. command

TA 12 p.117

TO FRANCE (1583)

George Lord Setton, Alexander Setton, Commendator of Pluscaedine

App. 26 Oct; left end of Nov

Ambassador

To hasten the dispatch of this embassy the burghs of Perth, Dundee and Aberdeen advanced 2000 marks for the ship & equipage to be defalked from next taxation

Lord Setton, Alexander his son and those accompanying them were given protection for seven years. To treat and confer with Fr in accord with commission.

RSS, 1581-4, 1567; RPCS iii 604, 612-3.

TO FRANCE (1586-7)

James Colvill, laird of Easter Wemys.

App 9 Dec

John Arnott, the collector-general, commanded the payment of £2000 out of the last taxation of £15,000 for Colvill's furniture & expenses.

To Fr & other places beyond the sea on the king's affairs & business.

RPCS iv 127

TO FRANCE (1587)

Sir William Stewart

departure delayed until 31 May because of impeachment by/of Gray, one of the accusations being that Gray had pryed into the instructions of the embassy

AM

RPCS iv, pp.xxi, 164n, 182n

TO FRANCE (1587)

Beaton, James, Archbishop of Glasgow

Commissioned c. Mar 1587

Ambassador

An honorary commission following execution of Mary whom he had represented for 20 yrs in Paris. In Jan 1598 Parliament restored his estates and formally authorized him as the king's AM in FR.

Moysie, Memoirs, 61, 62, 164

TO FRANCE (1589)

Robert Melville, Lord Tunland

AM

To discuss offer of the hand of Princess of Navarre to J6, returned with a painting of the princess and good reports of her rare qualities. Described by his brother James as 'being a good scholar, who could perfectly speak the High Dutch, the Latin and Fleming languages, with the French tongue'.

Melville, p.322

TO FRANCE (1594)

Edward Bruce , Laird of Easter Wemyss

Left SC after 6th April

AM

To invite k of Fr to baptism of Prince Henry. Because he had already been in EN and had not been sent express – direct -, French decided not to sent an ambassador to baptism.

Melville, p.367

FRANCE
TO
SCOTLAND

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1491)-1

Champagne herald

Early 1491

TA 1 pp.cviii-cx

FROM FRANCE (1491)-2

Champagne herald

Departs Aug/Sept with SC emb to Fr.

Received by J4 at Linlithgow.

Re treaty negotiations

TA 1 pp.cviii-cx, 180

FROM FRANCE (1491)-3

Champagne herald

Back in SC in Dec

Re treaty confirmation

TA 1 pp. cviii-cx, 183, 184

FROM FRANCE (1506)

Mountjoye, King of Arms

Delivered L12's letters of 31 May on 9 July. In Sc in Mid-October with Zeeland herald en route for FR

herald

Communicating his instructions and seeking free passage to DK with letters for king John.

LJ4, 27, 29, 41; TA 3 pp. 342, 349.

FROM FRANCE (1507)-1

Mountjoy herald

En route to Dk

TA 3 pp. 318,350, 384, 351, 411.

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1507)-2

Robert Cockburn, chaplain of Louis & postulate of Ross.

received instruction on 10 July

envoy??

To ask J4 for 4,000 infantrymen to be sent to Genoa or Savona to assist in the defence of the Duchy of Milan. Even if the threat to Milan disappeared, L12 wanted the troops as a token that the old alliance was still in force. A month later L12 scaled down his demands.

LJ4 p.xliii.

FROM FRANCE (1507)-3

La Mothe

Left Sc after 15 Oct; in London in Nov.

Ambassador

J4 gets info from De La Mothe about his recent pilgrimage to Jerusalem. As a result J4 writes to Philip de Pratis, Catalan consul at Alexandria, about possibilities of a crusade together with FR.

LJ4 91; TA 4 pp.79, 84.

FROM FRANCE (1508)-1

La Mothe

Returns to SC from En in April

Ambassador

TA 4 p.1 12

FROM FRANCE (1508)-2

Bernard Stewart, Siuer d'Aubigny; Jean Sellat, President of the Paris Parlement.

Arrived SC 8 May; D'Aubigny died 8 June; Sellat prob. did not leave til 9 Aug.

ambassadors

Public & private audiences with D'Aubigny; later audiences with Sellat. Ostensibly to consult on the marriage of Claude, eldest daughter of Louis XII, to Francis, duc d'Angouleme, & future king. Really to sound J4 on the renewal of the military pact. D'Aubigny had got no certain assurance from J4 when he died.

LJ4 pp.xliv-v, 113-6, 120.

FROM FRANCE (1510)

De la Mothe

ambassador

Louis sends instructions to La Mothe as to what to say to J4 re his plans for a crusade.

LJ4 188

FROM FRANCE (1511-2)

La Mothe

Ambassador

TA 4 pp. 198,291,297,335,336,337.

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1512)-1

Doctor Peter Cordier

Commissioned at Blois 13 Nov 1511 for DK. Goes via SC which he left after 19 Feb 1512. In CH to mid-March; left Dk a month later

Ambassador

J4 on sight of his instructions provides him with letter to John of Denmark. Sends a further letter 3 Feb with Cordier about international developments. Sir Andrew Brounhill accompanied him to DK.

TA 4 p 238; LJ4 223-5.

FROM FRANCE (1512)-2

Robert Cockburn, bp of Ross.

received instructions on 4 Apr.

envoy???

Two sets of instructions to be used according to circumstance. 1st: he was to ask J4 to send an AM to H8 with a declaration if he made war on L12 on the pretext of assisting F of A, J4 would make war on him on behalf of L12. 2nd: the bishop was to thank J4 for '*la declaration vertueuse et ouverte*' made by J4 against H8 in the event of an EN attack on FR and to assure J4 that L12 would make a similar declaration against J4's enemies and give him help to conquer England.

LJ4 pp.lvi-ii

FROM FRANCE (1512)-3

La Mothe

Received instructions 22 May; arrived SC 18 June; left 11 July. Ship attacked at sea, forced to make for DK.

Ambassador

presented credentials 18 June

clerk - James Ogilvy

Louis signed treaty drafted on 6 March having made certain modifications at Blois on 22 May. La Mothe was to present it to J4 who returned to him the signed and further amended treaty on 10 July. When J4 heard of English attack on La Mothe's ship he dispatched a duplicate treaty to L12.

TA 4 pp. 350, 351; LJ4 246-7, 253, 264.

FROM FRANCE (1512-3)

La Mothe

Receives public & secret instructions on 2 Oct; *La Petite Louise*, a ship of Rouen was contracted to leave on 12 Nov; arrived Leith in end of November; left 14 Feb.

Ambassador

James Ogilvy

Louis had omitted *ut saltem que* clause from final version of treaty which he signed on 12 Oct. De La Mothe to encourage J4 to do his utmost against the League. L12 would provide 50,000 plus munitions before a joint attack on the English. De La Mothe would specify the number of FR ships to assist and promise to assist J4's crusade when war was won. *La Petite Louise* brought wine, artillery & munitions. Also carried Charles de Tocques, Martin Peguineau, varlet of the King's Chamber & Jehan Piefort, gunner of king's artillery. According to Dacre, 800 cannonballs, 25,000lbs of powder and 8 light guns together with 100 casks of wine were delivered to J4 at this time by the French.

TA 4 pp.xxxiii, 399, 400, 466-7, 469-70; LJ4 pp.ii-iii, 269, 270-1, 2767, 293.

FROM FRANCE (1513)-1

Mountjoy, k of A

returning to Fr in Jan

herald

carries letter from J4 to Anne of Brittany re marriage of Christien of DK

LJ4 286-7

FROM FRANCE (1513)-2

La Mothe

departs FR after 5 March

Ambassador

Audience 19 May

Received articles from Louis at Blois on 5 March. Delivers them to J4 19 May. Urges according to instructions the dispatch of the *Great Michael* and other SC ships to Fr. Brought J4 turquoise ring from Fr Q, Anne of Brittany

TA 4 pp.xxxiv, 411-2; 114 pp. lxvi, 294

FROM FRANCE (1513)-3

James Ogilvy

Arrives with letters of L12 dated June 7 on 27 June

pursuivant?

J4 send him back immediately requesting expedition in July.

LJ4 310

FROM FRANCE (1515-6)

De Planis

Ambassador

Involved in Anglo-Scottish truce negotiations.

TA 5 pp.xxxviii-ix, 42-3, 48, 50-3,68-9, 72-3, 80.

FROM FRANCE (1516)

La Fayette

Ambassador

Either joins or more likely replaces De Planis; also involved in AngloScottish negotiations.

TA 5 pp.80, 81, 84

FROM FRANCE (1517)

March 1517

Ambassador & herald

To award Lord Governor a french order

TA 5 p.115

FROM FRANCE (1522-3)

De Planis, Groboz, etc

Ambassador

Touching Grundistoun

TA 5 pp.204, 209, 211.

FROM FRANCE (1525)

Gonzolles

Ambassador

The Milanese captain holding Dunbar made Am to Sc by Fl; offer of marriage alliance.

TA 6 p.xxxi

FROM FRANCE (1526)

William Stewart

Ambassador

Captain of Scottish Archer Guard sent to Sc as Fr AM.

TA 6 p. xxxvii

FROM FRANCE (1529)

In SC November 8

Am

given unspecified sum

TA 5 p.376.

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1531)

Definitely in Sc bet 30 July & 4 Sept.

Ambassador

possibly Stephanus Aqueus.

TA 5 p.447; TA 6 p.42

FROM FRANCE (1533)-1

Stephanus Aqueus

Also involved in a legal dispute with baileys & chaplain of Dunbar.

TA 6 pp.101, 123, 124.

FROM FRANCE (1533)-2

Beavais; Flurie

Ambassadors

Sent to Sc to recognise the rights of the Scots and then to go to London to treat with H8.

TA 6 pp.xlvii, 131, 132, 135,136, 151, 152, 153.

FROM FRANCE (1535)

Nicholas Canivet

Ambassador?

Attempt by F1 to get J5 to agree to marry Marie of Bourbon through influence of Canivet.

TA 6 pp.liv-vi, 265

FROM FRANCE (1538)

Lassigny

In Sc on 15 Aug

Ambassador

300 crowns reward

TA 7 p.61

FROM FRANCE (1538-9)

Lassigny

leaving for SC c. 26 Dec 38

Ambassador

£400 reward

TA 7 p.51, 150; Balc I, 219.

FROM FRANCE (1542)

Probably departing Feb 42

Reward of 300 crowns

TA 8 pp.59, 77.

FROM FRANCE (1543)

M de la Montaigne

in Edin 10 Mar; back in FR by 10 June

Ambassador?

Balc. I. 89, 91.

FROM FRANCE (1543)

August?

Fr Am paid over £2198 14s to Sc Sec.

TA 8 p.221.

FROM FRANCE 1543

MM de La Brosse & Mesnage

Arrived at Dunbarton 5 Oct

Ambassadors?

Arrive in company of Papal legate. Hand F1's subsidy over to Lennox; encourages Queen Mother to overthrow Regent.

Balc. I. 100-1; R.K. Hannay, 'Letters of the Papal Legate in Scotland, 1543', *SHR*, XI, no.41, Oct 1913, pp.1-26.

FROM FRANCE (1544)

La Croix

in Sc in Dec 44

Ambassador

TA 8 pp.335,336; Balc I, 104; SCML 103.

FROM FRANCE (1544 or 46)

Robertet

Herald rather than AM?

Sent to SC to report FR victory over C5

Balc I 236.

FROM FRANCE (1545-6)

MM de la Longe & de la Brousse.

arrived SC June 45 back in FR by 14 Feb 1546 (Dieppe). D'Ausy, king's messenger, in SC in Nov 45.

ambassadors?

Balc I 115, 119, 121, 123-4.

FROM FRANCE (1546-60)

Henri Cleutin, Seigneur d'Oysel et de Villeparisis, *prev.* AM to Rome.

Commissioned in Mar 46; First arrived in SC when?; Returned to FR in at end of Nov 47; Returns to SC start of Feb; Back in FR by 12 April; returned to SC when?; Back in FR 16 April 52; returns to SC in June 52; Back in FR in Feb 53; returns to SC end of Jan 54; back in Fr in 1556; in SC in April 58.

Resident Ambassador

April 1552 got 1000 ecus gift and 600 francs a month from H2

Fournier was D'Oysel's maitre d'hotel.

Was to bring pensions to Queen mother, Arran, Aryll and others in 46. D'Oysel put together the contract of Arran & H2 of 27 Jan 48. Arran was to secure parliamentary consent for the marriage of Mary & the Dauphin, the conveyance of Mary to Fr, the delivery of certain SC strongholds to H2 in return for a FR duchy for Arran. Was short of money early 49. D'Oysel was M of Lorraine's chief adviser and had a preponderant voice in the Council of war. In July 1551 the IMP AM reported that he had heard indirectly that 'D'Oysel wields almost sovereign authority in matters of state and justice'. When in 1550 Marie of Lorraine went to France, H2 thought D'oyssel popular enough in SC to be left in charge in the dowager's absence. 'Le Roy trouve tres bon de laisser M. L'ambassadeur chef pardela en vostre absence'. 14 Feb 1552 D'Oysel on way to FR is accredited to E6. Presents articles re division of debatable lands; receives answer of EN PC 27 Feb. In April 1552 H2 makes D'Oysel his lieutenant-general in SC and a gentleman of his chamber. But D'Oysel was also representing SC in her attempt to avoid participation in FR-IMP war which had broken out in Sept 51. August 1553 discussions with H2 and Cardinal of Lorraine over possible deposition of Arran and early accession of Mary as Queen regnant although Arran was already deferring to D'Oysel. Attends coronation of Mary Tudor in 1553. The supplication of the disgraced Huntley to D'Oysel in Jan 1555 is testimony to the AM's influence with Queen mother. Sept 56 expresses interest in Western Isles & Ireland.

Balc I, 124, 177-9, 201-2; II, 28-30, 63-5, 81-3, 111-2, 115-6, 118, 13940, 193-4, 266, 278-80, 302, 306, 3 13-4; SCML 224-5n, 227n. 258, 289, 326, 334, 341n, 344, 356n, 356n, 360n, 372, 395-6, 407, 415n.

FROM FRANCE (1546-7)

M de Mandosse, maitre d'hotel ordinaire to H2.

Ready to leave in Apr 46; Left Fr Aug 1546; in SC in Sept 47

Ambassador?

Carried money to SC

TA 9 p.115; Balc I, 132-4, 145, 236.

FROM FRANCE (1546)-1

D'Ausy, Valet de Chambre du Roy.

leaves for SC c 16 June 1546

King's messenger

To inform Queen Mother of Anglo-French treaty of Campe.

Balc I, 139-40

FROM FRANCE (1546)-2

D'Ausy

Leaving for SC 1 Dec 46

Balc I, 149, 150, 152.

FROM FRANCE (1547-8)

M de Combas

Arrived in Sc in Jan 47; Returns to FR in June 48

Ambassador? Described in Balc I as an army captain along with De la Chapelle.

Reward of £56 10s

At the seige of St Andrews in July? Prob. brought young Arran to FR on his return.

TA 9 pp.52, 261, 444; Balc I, 198, 205, 240, 243.

FROM FRANCE (1547)-1

unnamed AM

leaving for SC 28 Jan

Balc I 238

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1547)-2

D'Ausy

Due to go to SC 5 May

Balc 162

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1547)-3

Unnamed AM

due to go to SC 3 July

Balc I 240

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1547)-4

D'Ausy

returning to FR c.27 Oct 47

Balc I, 242

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1548)

D'Ausy

to Fr in Jan

Brings news of Pinkie.

Balc I, 162

FROM FRANCE (1549)

Jean de Monluc, bishop of Valence.

leaving Fr Jan 49

Ambassador

To see Mary of Guise and deal with D'Oysel who was short of money; at Shrove-time undertook subsidiary mission to Inishowen to meet Ulster Lords wanting 'to shake off the yoke of England'; Melville went to France as a page on their return.

Balc II 28-30; Melville, pp.21-24

FROM FRANCE (1550)

De Fumet or De Funnell

April?

Ambassador or messenger?

Brought news of FR victory over EN & peace treaty bet. SC & EN

TA 9 pp.393, 394, 402,413; RPCS I 86.

FROM FRANCE (1554)

Villemor

leaving for SC 22 March 54

king's messenger

letter delivery but also to report king's mind

Balc II 265

FROM FRANCE (1558)?

In SC on 12 Aug

Ambassador

TA 10 p.377

Hiram Morgan

FROM FRANCE (1559)

M de Bethencourt, Master of Catherine d'Medici's household.

departed early April. Via EN. In SC from 13 April till at least end of May

Ambassador

Was to arrange a peace between EN & SC as a follow-up to Cateau-Cambrensis. Was to encourage Queen Mother to a peace. Carried a bill of credit for 20,000 livres and only promised military reinforcements upon application. Desired the regent to win over the Scots nobility and to this end carried blank letters written to them. After 8 wks negotiation a treaty signed 31 May but at this point the lords of the congregation rebelled. According to Melville, having Mary of Guise sign up the general articles of Cateau-Cambrensis, which entailed the suppression of Protestantism, was a disaster.

PNM pp.xxvii, xxxiii, xxxv; Melville, 49-50.

FROM FRANCE (1561-2)

M. Paul de Foix

First to EN; then to SC by ?6th but certainly by 17 Dec

Ambassador

Frequent audiences with Mary who complained 'il venoit privement une fois le jour san advertir'

Rep. K, Q & Navarre but sent by Catherine d'Medici. De Foix, who tended towards Protestantism, was a member of the Paris Parlement and a kinsman of the Queen of Navarre. His charge was threefold 1. social 2. to offer military support 3 to continue 'auld alliance'. Mary found him tiresome.

PNM 77, 81n, 97n, 439-444.

FROM FRANCE (1565-6)

M de Mauvissiere

Ready to depart by 19 Sept; In Edin. in Oct; Back in FR by 26 May at least.

Ambassador

Mission re marriage of Darnley & FR dowry.

TA 11 p.424; PNM 231.

FROM FRANCE (1566)-1

Rambouillet

Arrived Feb; back in FR by 15 Apr.

Ambassador

Came ostensibly to invest Darnley with order of St Michael.

TA 11 pp.lxxi-ii; PNM 452.

FROM FRANCE (1566)-2

M de Mauvissiere

Returned by 9 Sept

Was to enquire which French lord was acceptable as James' godfather; Mary content with C8's choice of Count of Brienne

PNM 274, 282.

FROM FRANCE (1566)-3

Count of Brienne

Preparing to leave on 7 Oct; in SC by 17 Dec at least; back in Paris by 24 Jan.

Spec. Ambassador

Rep. C8 at baptism of Prince James 17 Dec in Stirling. Brought a present of a chain and a pendant of diamonds worth 4-5000 scudi. Supped with Bedford, Du Croc & Mary after the baptism. Described by Melville as 'no courtier but a simple man'.

TA 12 p.408; PNM 282, 291, 334, 341-2; Melville, p.142.

FROM FRANCE [1566?]

Monsieur de Villamonte

AM

Carrying commission from King Charles asking Mary not to give any favour to banished Protestant lords in accordance with recent Council of Trent. According to Melville, 'a device of the Cardinal of Lorraine' who was at the church council.

Melville, p.120.

FROM FRANCE (1566-7)

M. Philibert du Croc. Had been in SC at end of 61 as intermediary of Cardinal of Lorraine with Mary. Described as 'a creature of the Queen Mother'.

In SC Oct 1566; Arrives in Paris with news of the murder on 19 Feb

Ambassador

Reported on Queen's illness in Oct/Nov; Stood in for Moretta at James's baptism 17 Dec; Refused sight of Darnley's body 11 Jan;

PNM 81n,308,351,356n,440,443, 503.

FROM FRANCE (1567)-1

Du Croc

Returning to SC c 12 March; still there May 4.

Ambassador

Sent back to Scotland to express outrage over the murder of Darnley.

Carrying Agnus Dei from Bp of Mondovi, the Papal legate. Described by Melville as 'a grave, aged, discreet gentleman, advanced by the house of Guise'.

PNM 365, 390; Melville, p.153

FROM FRANCE (1567)-2

Ambassador

In Scot. 23 Aug 1567, Departed August

Prob. the French Ambassador, who returned with Moray who was made regent. According to Melville, he was sent 'to comfort the captive Queen, and to intercede for her; but he did very slenderly: for he said to the lords, he came not to offend any of them, alleging that the old band and league betwixt France and Scotland was not made with any one prince, but betwixt the estates of two kingdoms, and with those who were commanders over the country for the time.

TA 12 p.69; Melville, p.162

FROM FRANCE (1568)

Monsieur de Beaumont, knight of the order of the cockle.

Arrived in SC 21 Apr 1568

Ambassador

Visited the captive Queen and attempted to mediate between the parties.

TA 12 pp.117, 119, 121; Melville, p.168

FROM FRANCE (1572)

Du Croc?

July 1572

AM

Mission of En &. FR Ams to pacify SC

RPCS ii 158

FROM FRANCE (1583)

M de la Mothe Fénelon

Arrived Edin 17 Jan; leaves 10 Feb

Ambassador

Presence - 19 & 22 Jan.

To forward reconciliation of king and nobles, the Franco-Scottish league, and Scots friendship with EN

Moysie, Memoirs, 43-4; RPCS iii p.li, liii.

FROM FRANCE (1583)

M de Mainville (probably another name for La Mothe Fenelon?)

Arrived in SC 18 Jan. Ambassador

Presence - 23 Jan.

Moysie, Memoirs, 44

FROM FRANCE (1585)

Sieur de Gosseron

arr. 13 Jan

Am

aged 24; was to stay long in SC

Moysie, 56

FROM FRANCE (1586)

M de Courcelles

Arr. Jan 1586; may have still been there a year later.

Was sent by H3 to re-establish auld alliance

RPCS iv 50-1, 144n

FROM FRANCE (NAVARRE) (1588-89)

Guillaume de Salluste, Seigneur du Bartas

Spec. Am

Audience at Falkland

Huguenot poet/soldier with secret commission to offer J6 the hand of the princess of Navarre 'as a fit marriage for his Majesty'. This was during the time that the Scottish embassy was in DK negotiating a marriage there.

Melville, pp.321-2; Royal Wedding, p.11

FROM FRANCE (NAVARRE) (1589)

March 1589

Messenger; poss the same person as above.

A French packet-bearer from k of Navarre desired 3000 waged men. The laird of Weymis went to England for gold to hire them and was made general.

Moysie 73

FROM FRANCE (1599)

Monsieur Biron

July 1599

AM

Audience with J6 at Falkland.

According to Moysie, he was said to be brother of the FR treasurer. He arrived with a party of 18 or 20. His commission was secret but was supposed to be a renewing of the league bet SC & FR. J6 sends horses & hounds for H4 back with this AM

Moysie, 165.