

FROM SCOTLAND

Hiram Morgan

TO DENMARK (1492)

Sir James Ogilvy of Airly, Lord Ogilvy; Master John of Liston; Rothesay herald

Left after 29 May 1492

Ambassadors

£216 13 4; £25 to Rothesay

Appointed by parliament to deal with treaty renewal, trade, piracy etc. Present for Danish king. Rothesay died in DK.

TA 1 pp. lvi, xciii, xciv, cviii, cxii, 199, 200; (as derived from Exchequer Rolls no.301).

TO DENMARK (1495)

Peter Merscyr

6 Nov. 1495

£20

TA 1 p.242

Hiram Morgan

TO DENMARK (1496)

Lyon Herald

20 Mar. 1496 - date of payment of expenses

£40

TA 1 p.325

Hiram Morgan

TO DENMARK (1502)

Snowdon Herald

had returned by 5 Sept 1502

£7 - part reimbursement

In 1502 Swedes in revolt against DK. Summer 1502 Scottish ships rescue Queen Christina of DK held captive in Stockholm. Snowdon may have carried coat of gold sent by K of SC to k of DK. Trumpeters also sent to DK.

TA 2 pp. xc, 147, 159, 340.

TO DENMARK (1504)

Lyon Herald

1504????

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Lyon herald may have been sent to Sweden & DK to enquire as to the continued hostility between the Swedes and Danes.

TA 2 p.xci.

TO DENMARK (1505)

Thornton of Keillour, Henry, Lyon King of Arms

Got instructions from J4 at Holyrood on 3 Apr

Envoy

Lyon prepaid £56 expenses, 54s for his victuals and a captain of Leith given £55 for his passage.

Letters to Abp of Uppsala & Chan of DK. Instructed to help King John of DK reach an understanding with SW. Lyon who was described by J4 as 'an experienced councillor' and 'a man of much diplomatic skill' had been requested by King John as a mediator. To inform John that J4 is unable to send ships.

LJ4, 2-6; TA 3 pp. lxiv, 133; (Also derived from *Epistolæ Jacobi Quarti, Jacobi Quinti, et Mariæ Regum Scotorum*, I, 34,38)

TO DENMARK (1507)-1

Robert Forman, Dean of Glasgow & Chancellor of Moray, & Lyon herald

departing Jan 1507; home before 18 Sept

Ambassadors

reconciliation of dispute bet. Lubeck & DK. Conference after Apr 20. Also attended a disputation at CH university during lent. Joined by Mountjoy, the French herald, in May. On 20 July king John announced that negotiations with Lubeck were complete and that SC AMS & Mountjoy were ready to return to SC. AMs also carried letters to Charles of Castile & Burgundy & to MAX re D of Guelders. The following year the matter of Robert Forman and the unchaste behaviour of Danish matrons' came up. J4 wanted John to have Forman cleared from these accusations as Forman was chosen from the whole household as having mixed with the leading figures in Europe, who have, like John, commended him.'

TA 3 p.361; LJ4 59, 69-70, 73, 76-7 116-7

TO DENMARK (1507)-2

Thomas Lummesden

Leaving SC with J4's let of 10 Mar

Zeeland herald

Sent with secret instructions to J4 who requests accredited envoy.

LJ4 62

TO DENMARK (1508)

William Paterson

Carrying J's 4 letter of 4 April

Bad SC harvest - J4 wants an export license for Paterson to make grain purchases. J4 also refers to the dispute with Lubeck

LJ4 105-7

TO DENMARK (1509)-1

James Mackieson

leaving Sc end of march. In Dk in May

envoy

To confer with king John about confidential matters. Delivers king gift of couches & horses. Also to continue to Danzig and Poland

LJ4 143-5, 148

TO DENMARK (1509)-2

Andrew Jameson, a sailor

departing prob. March 1509

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Letter of credence to Christian & nobles of N. to allow J. to choose timber for ships' masts and have it shipped to SC

LJ4 143

TO DENMARK (1510)

Henry, James's chaplain

in DK in May

envoy?

To find out about Dk's proceedings with Lubeck. Sent back with Norge k of A
who is to explain developments

LJ4 171

TO DENMARK (1512)-1

Murray created Carrick pursuivant on 29 Apr

received instructions on 22 Apr & 28 May which he presented on 6 June; not back by Aug 7

envoy

1st instructions - to announce the birth of a male heir, to report on Forman's diplomacy & general international situation. EN is threatening EN & FR. L12 wants SC support who in turn wants DK's support. 2nd instructions - H8 has declared war on Fr; how many ships & men can Dk supply Sc with in the event of war with EN. king John to send out peace emissaries. John replies on 12 June that he has sent envoys Rome to encourage peace but he urges SC to make peace with EN because he himself has disbanded & reduced his forces after peace with SW & LU.

LJ4 243-5, 247-50, 261-3

TO DENMARK (1512)-2

John or Henry White

leaving with king's letter on or after 7 Aug

messenger

Letter delivery re escalating situation and to discover why Carrick pursuivant has not returned.

LJ4 261-3

TO DENMARK (1512)-3

messenger

J4's letter of 12 Nov

Seeking Danish king's help to get redress for Scots merchants spoiled by
Hamburgers

LJ4 271-2

TO DENMARK (1513)

Magnus Beilde (a nephew of Danish Chancellor, Oswald Beilde, educated among Scots nobility and described as 'a servant' of J4.

leaving SC after 12 Jan; returned in March 1513 with news of death of John & succession of Christiern

envoy

Received 48s on 12 Jan

Beilde to submit articles to J of Dk. J4 asks him to act as an intermediary with H8. J4 was forced to renew treaty with FR after pact bet EN & SP. Asks John to listen to Beilde who has full credence. John to send a fleet immediately which J4 will pay for. Beilde also carried a letter from De La Mothe to J of Dk & had credence to continue to Norway. Was accompanied by Andrew Jensoun & Arthur Bruce who were to do business for J4.

LJ4 280-5; TA 4 402.

TO DENMARK (1523)

1523?

Possible negotiations on marriage and military alliance.

TA 6 p.xxvi

TO DENMARK (1544)

Master John Hay

April to June 1544 - in July Thomas Majoribanks reimbursed £220 for the furnishing of Hay.

'passing in Denmark in my lord governors affairs'. To make representations on Scottish affairs and to seek renewal of treaties.

TA 8 p.305; SCML pp.102-3; (Also derived from *Epistolæ Jacobi Quarti, Jacobi Quinti, et Mariæ Regum Scotorum*, II, xxxix).

TO DENMARK

Master James Johnston

1546

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£13 4s

Brings king letters from DK and goes back with k's letters to DK

TA 8 p.478

TO DENMARK (1548-9)

Sir David Lindsay, Lyon K of A.

paid Dec.1548 & reimbursed Oct 49.

paid £140 in '48 & £112 10s in '49.

taking certain writings & directions to the k of DK

TA 9 pp.259, 347

TO DENMARK (1550)

Earl of Rothes (accompanied by FR envoy).

Feb to Jul 1550 (if payments for shipping are taken into account

ambassador

Feb.1550 - £12 to ship's gunner for three months' wages; £67 to skipper of ship; £106 13s 4d to Rothes for the victualling of the ship. March 1550 - £575 to John Paterson, a servant to Rothes. July 1550 - £92 for the freight of the ship on its return

March 1550 writings sent with Rothes by Lord Governor re Danish claim to Orkneys; writings also to be conveyed to John MacAlpine & Alex. Lyell. Large must cover more than just expenses - munitions perhaps?

TA 9 pp. 377, 385, 386-7, 428.

TO DENMARK (1551)

Herald

6 June 1551

Sent by Gov with letters to K of Dk touching requested return of Orkneys.

SCML 354-6.

TO DENMARK (1558)

Gilbert Balfour, burgess of Edinburgh.

11 June - payment of expenses.

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Paid £200 by Sc Trea

TA 10 p.359.

TO DENMARK (1567)

Stewart, William, Albany Herald (later Lyon King)

About to leave SC 29 Sept.

Paid £231 leaving

Passed to Norway, DK and Flanders. May only have carried letters. 'In his graces affairs by my lord regent graces special command'

TA 12 pp. 75, 128-9.

TO DENMARK (1570)

Thomas Buchanan

21 Aug 1570 - payment to him. Poss in DK in May 1571

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£24 towards clothes

TA 12 p.208; RPCS ii 412

TO DENMARK (1586)

Peter Young, sub-preceptor & master almoner.

July to Nov

AM

This former tutor of J6 carried his portrait and hoped to bring back portraits of the Danish royal family.

10 Nov reports on his proceedings to arrange J6's marriage. Made a privy councillor as a result

RPCS iv 113; Royal Wedding, p.6

TO DENMARK (1586)

Colonel Stewart

Agent

Going on his own business to DK being a pensioner of the king there, he was commissioned to speak of J6's marriage to K of DK's eldest daughter. Like Young, he returned with a good answer and a further embassy was planned for the following year. According to Stevenson's *Royal Wedding*, this piece of entrepreneurship on Stewart's part may actually have been paid for by Denmark where the Colonel had previously seen military service.

Melville, p.312; *Royal Wedding*, pp.8-10.

TO DENMARK (1587)

Patrick Vaus, laird of Barnbarroch, senator of College of Justice & Peter Young.

Vaus app. 26 March; departed 31 May; returned end of Aug (Moysie); reported 11 Oct (RPCS)

Ambassadors

Audience 29 July

K, C & pt of the Estates asked Edinburgh for £2,000 on 16 May to fit out this embassy

King's marriage. Did not mind which of Frederick II's daughters they obtained but were after as big a dowry as possible. Their non-noble status, the bad treatment of the 1585 Danish embassy and the king's illness may have impeded their mission. Never saw the princesses. Moysie says the ambassador returned 'with ansuer of thaire commission, not so guide as wes liukit for'. There were later complaints against Vaus for trying to claim taxes allegedly assigned for the Danish mission. On 28 Nov 1587 commissioners for the burghs agreed to £4,000 towards a future Danish embassy to be remitted out of the next taxation.

Moysie, Memoirs, 64-5; RPCS iv 164n, 169, 182n, 231, 353; Royal Wedding, pp.9-11

TO DENMARK (1588) -1

Colonel William Stewart

February

Agent

Managed to see Frederick II before he died; was able to inform J6 on his return that Princess Anne was still on offer.

Royal Wedding, p14

TO DENMARK (1588) -2

Stewart, Colonel William

left c.20 Aug; returned 15 Nov.

To met regents of minority king Christian IV; reported that the Danish marriage was still possible notwithstanding the death of the old king.

Moysie, Memoirs, 70; Royal Wedding, p.14

TO DENMARK (1589)

Keith, George, Earl Marischal; Andrew Keith, Lord Dingwall; James Scrymgeour, Constable of Dundee & Standard-Bearer of Scotland; Colonel William Stewart; John Skene, advocate; George Young, archdeacon of St Andrews, secretary; William Fowler, poet and parson of Hawick

Appointed 2 June 1589; departed 18 June; arrived 29th, returned 15 Dec

Ambassadors

To complete marriage negotiations and accompany Anne of Denmark – 2nd daughter of F2 - back to SC. George Keith because of stature, experience, education and considerable personal wealth was chosen as ambassador extraordinary. Andrew Keith, his nephew, was a self-made man and former councillor of K of SW who had been elevated to the peerage in 1583. John Sken, a lawyer, was described by Melville as ‘best acquainted with the German customs, and could make them long harangues in Latin; that he was a good, true and Stout man, like a Dutchman’. William Fowler selected and paid for by town of Edinburgh.

Asked for a dowry of £1,000, 000 Scots but had to settle for £150,000 (notionally ‘a barrel of gold’ according to the Danes). Orkney Isles’ question omitted. Anne promised morning gift of property – Linlithgow Palace, Falkland Castle and lordship of Dunfermline. 20 August proxy marriage solemnised at the Danish court with Earl Marischal giving Anne jewels and symbolically being put to bed with her. 28 Aug Col Stewart returned with this news and on 30th the burghs voted £20,000 to the king to receive Anne. But the Princess was driven back onto the coast of Norway and thus does not make scheduled reception. Problems caused by witches? 14/15 Sept Dingwall arrives with news of storm - Stewart dispatched to Norway.

On 10 Oct, J6 sets out for Norway; marries Anne on 23 Nov. in Oslo; goes on to DK and stays there until the spring. Even though, J6 appointed Maitland of Thirlestane and others in his party as ambassadors there is no way this visit can be seen as an embassy since the king was present.

Moysie, Memoirs, 47-8, 73, 78, 79, 81; RPCS iv 389-91, 396n, 410n, 411n, 423n, 823-4; Melville, 324-31; Royal Wedding, 17-56, 79-99.

TO DENMARK (1590)

John Lord Fleming

despatched 2 Oct

To k of Dk, and Dukes of Meckleburg & Brunswick touching the king's estate.

RPCS iv 536

TO DENMARK (1594)

Young, Mr Peter

Left SC May 1594

Carried invitation to baptism of Prince Henry. Also sent to the Dukes of Brunswick and Mecklenburg.

Got three fair chains. Presumably one given in each place.

Moysie, Memoirs, 117; Melville, 367.

TO ENGLAND (1474)-1

Bp of Aberdeen, Sir John Colquhoun of Luss, James Schaw of Sauchy; Lyon herald.

Commission 15 June 1474. July in London.

Ambassadors

£20 prepayment to Lyon.

Embassy suggested by parliament for treaty confirmation, redress & possible marriage alliance between infant prince of Scotland and Cecilia, daughter of Ed IV.

TA 1 lv-vi.

TO ENGLAND (1474)-2

Lyon herald

Leaves after 3 Nov, signs document in London on 3 Dec

3 Nov 1474 J3 signs articles of peace & Lyon proceeds to London 'for the interchanging of the truces'. 3 Dec LH signs indenture re remission of Cecilia's dowry

TA 1 p.lix.

TO ENGLAND (1488)

Abp of St Andrews, bps of Aberdeen & Glasgow

Sent after the death of J3 & coronation of J4.

Ambassadors

Obtained renewal of truce arranged in 1486

TA 1 pp.lxxiv-v; (Also derived from Rymer's Foedera, XII, 343,345.

TO ENGLAND (1501-2)

Abp. of Glasgow, Patrick. E. of Bothwell, Adw. Forman, bp. elect of Moray; Sir John Home of Aytoun; Lyon Herald; Dunbar?

Commissioned 8 Oct 1501, left soon after

Ambassadors

£28 to Home; £18 & £8 8s to Lyon.

Marriage contract of J4 & Margaret signed 29 1 1502. En & Sc commissioners also conclude a perpetual peace & an extradition treaty.

TA 2 pp.liv-vi, 122, 132.

TO ENGLAND (1502)

Lyon herald

Sent 23 Dec 1502

£28 prepayment

Post haste to EN with the truces 'when Sir Thomas Darcy would not interchange'

TA 2 p.352

William Morgan

TO ENGLAND (1507)

R. Forman, dean of Glasgow, & Lyon herald

king's letter of 8 Jan; back by mid-Sept.

ambassadors

to warn H7 to stay out of Maximilian's attack on J4's kinsman, duke of Gueldres. Also to king Charles, EM Max, D of Gueldres, Lubeck & DK

LJ4 47-9

TO ENGLAND (1508)

Bishop of Moray; Islay herald dep aft 30 May 1508

£14 to herald

TA 4 p.118.

TO ENGLAND (1509)

Andrew Forman, bp of Moray, Henry Thompson, Lyon, & John Sanchare, a priest of Aberdeen diocese, apostolic, imperial & royal notary.

Commission to Moray, 19 July; letter of credence on 30th; in EN til end of Aug.

Ambassador

To arrange personal meeting between H8 & J4, to accept H8's oath & deliver J4's, to deal with border matters, to establish future arrangements to promote peace. Moray to effect 'a final conclusion'. 29 Aug - Thompson, Sanchare witness H8's oath to observe the treaty of Perpetual peace. Forman took oath on J4's behalf but H8 wanted J4 to take the same oath himself.

LJ4 151, 153, 154-5.

TO ENGLAND (1511)

Archibald, E of Argyll; John lord Drummond; Sir Robert Lauder of the Bass;
Sir William Scott of Balweary, Sir John Ramsey & James Henryson

safe-conduct granted 26 July 1511, ?for a border commission. Probably not
taken up.

LJ4 208

TO ENGLAND (1512)

Islay herald

king's letter of 5 Dec

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J4 sends copy of Pope's letter, requests safe conduct for ambassadors and a border commission. Complains about captured Scottish ship and holds Papal messenger against Islay's safe return.

LJ4 274-5

TO ENGLAND (1513)

Ross herald

king's letter of 26 July

J4 complains about H8's unwillingness to grant a safe-conduct even though West had asked J4 to send one of his Council. Answered by H8 on 12 Aug.

LJ4 311-5

TO ENGLAND (1515)

Lyon herald

in England Sept/Dec.

TA 5 p.43

TO ENGLAND (1518)

John Adamson; Master Galler, a secretary to LG

Sept 1518

Galler received £56

Sent for the interchange of commissions of peace. Galler continued to the Lord Gov in FR.

TA 5 pp.149, 150.

TO ENGLAND (1523)

reimbursed - Sept 1523

£40

Secret charges of lord governor

TA 5 p.224.

TO ENGLAND (1524-5)

Lord Cassillis

leaves towards end of 1524

Ambassadors

Scots Parliament sends embassy to EN to demand a peace treaty & marriage of J5 & Mary. H8 wants J5 educated in EN. Scheme collapses after Fr defeat at Pavia; H8 revives Mary-05 proposal.

TA 6 pp. xxx, xxxii-iv.

TO ENGLAND (1525-6)

Dec 25/ Jan 26

Ambassadors

Ambassadors sent to obtain 3 yr truce. Treaty concluded at Berwick 15-1-26. No mention of marriage of *J5* & Mary - J free to keep Ty of Rouen•.

TA 6 pp xxxv-vi.

TO ENGLAND (1531)

Thomas Scott

Sent Oct/Dec 1531

pre-paid £150 8s 4d; £9 8s for riding coat.

Onetime border commissioner going with writings, articles & credentials to H8.

TA 6 p.43

TO ENGLAND (1532-3)

Thomas Scott

In England at end of Dec 32; Feb 33 paid

reimbursed £120 - 40 days at £3 per diem & £40 for a new horse.

writings & credence to H8

TA 6 pp.100, 151

TO ENGLAND (1533-4)

Adam Otterburn; Abbot of Kinloss.

Commissioned March 1533 or 34; Otterburn on mission from 26 Nov to 3 June.

Ambassador

£146 to Kinloss; £6 to Otterburn

Kinloss went to H8 about 'the confirmation of the peace'. Various messengers back & forth.

TA 6 pp. 207,208, 211, 218-9, 220, 221, 232.

TO ENGLAND (1535)

Lord Erskine

1535? paid remainder in 1537.

Ambassador

Super expenses of £49 17s 10d

On way to Fr; to convey J5's intentions to H8; proxy for J5 in receipt of the Garter.

TA 6 pp. lvii, 304, 315.

TO ENGLAND (1538)

Robert Hart, Rothesay Herald

30 March 1538

£30

King's errands in EN

TA 6 p.318

TO ENGLAND (1541-2)

Oct 41 safe-conduct sent for;

ambassador

TA 8 pp. 31, 47, 55-6, 78.

Hiram Morgan

TO ENGLAND (1542)

Rothesay herald

Dec 42

£153 given to Rothesay for himself, Somerset herald & Dingwall pursuivant.

Writings to H8

TA 8 p. 149.

TO ENGLAND (1543-4)

Safe-conduct requested for ambassador, Dec 43.

Ambassador

TA 8 p.244.

TO ENGLAND (1546)-1

July & Sept 46 - heralds sent for safe-conduct in July & Sept.

Ambassador

TA 8 pp.469, 480.

TO ENGLAND (1546)-2

Peter Thomson, unicorn pursivant

prepayment - Oct 1546.

£44

letter delivery to k & C.

TA 9 p.33.

TO ENGLAND (1546-7)

Sir Adam Otterburn (pro-Stewart); David Paniter (pro-Hamilton); Peter Thomson, Islay herald.

Commissioned 2 Oct 46; departs c. 10 Oct.; arrived London 10 Nov; FR AM in London informed by Queen Mother & D'Oysel that Paniter was 'a creature of the governor' and came bearing 'some private and secret charge'. 5 Mar Paniter departs London for Paris; Otterburn requests recall in April; finally leaves London c.8 August.

Ambassador

Thomson delivered Otterburn sums of £110, 110, 175 in London; given £44 himself; EN PC gave O. £74 sterling on his departure. Had on 17 May reported himself penniless and reliant on creditors.

Audience by 5 Dec; Meetings with EN PC & FR & IMP AMS; 3 Feb meets new Lord Protector; 12 July meets Lord Protector; 7 August audience with K, LP & PC.

To get SC comprehended in Treaty of Campe as advertised by M de Mandosse. To get answer from EN PC and to treat for a comprehensive peace. If EN refuses, to proceed to FR. EN was opposed and continued to give attention to so-called 'ambassadors of St Andrews' much to Otterburn's annoyance. O. Relys Paniter's requests from FR. Helps captive envoys (Hay, Dryborough, Johnstone). Relys news of EN invasion preparations on a number of occasions. Reports spying missions sent by EN rota SC. Series of useless meetings with English. Otterburn murdered after his return - laird of Annestoun accused of his slaughter.

TA 9 pp. 56, 63, 73, 99, 263; SCML 163-94; RPCS I 43-4; APC, 1547-50, 112.

TO ENGLAND (1550)

Master of Erskine; Peter Thomson

depart after 22 April (instructions).

Ambassador

£445 to Erskine; £115 to Erskine's wife after his departure; £57 10s to Thomson.

To affirm Scotland's comprehension in Peace of Boulogne; Scot PC had already proclaimed peace 20 April. Also to France and Empire.

TA 9 pp. 393, 394, 397; RPCS I 85-93

TO ENGLAND (1551)-1

Erskine & others

10 June 1551 at Norham

commissioners

Signing of Anglo-Scottish peace

SCML 349-50

TO ENGLAND (1551)-2

herald

sent Nov. 1551

TA 10 p.33

TO ENGLAND (1551-2)

Robert Camegy

Before Feb 52 for 15 wks.

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

TA 10 p.62

TO ENGLAND (1553)

Ross herald

departing after 18 Sept

To deliver instructions to Nicholas de Neufville, sieur de Villeroy, FR AM in London so that he can complain about English raids into SC, about pasture and fishing rights and if he can get EN PC to agree to a border commission, he is to hand over a list of SC commissioners.

RPCS I 148-51

TO ENGLAND (1555)

William Maitland the younger of Lethington; Laird of Trabroin.

departing July

Ambassadors?

pre-paid £44 each.

In embassy to the wardens of East Marches of EN.

TA 10 p.282.

TO ENGLAND (1556)

Alexander Ross herald

departing August

Mass of close writing from M of G to Q of E.

TA 10 p.315

TO ENGLAND (1558)

Maitland

departing after 11 Feb

Ambassador

£765 prepayment

Also going to FR. Maitland becomes Secretary soon after.

TA 10 pp. 331, 417.

TO ENGLAND (1560)

Adam Mccullocht, Bute pursuivant.

dep. 18 Feb.

pre-paid £50

To London on Q's affairs

TA 11 p.15

TO ENGLAND (1561)

Maitland

dep aft. 31 Aug

Ambassador

pre-paid £712 10s

To London on Q's affairs TA 11p.60

TO ENGLAND (1562)

William Stewart

dep. aft. 15 Jan. 1562.

pre-paid £80

To London on Q's affairs.

TA 11 p.102.

William Morahan

TO ENGLAND (1564)

James Melville

Received Instructions 28th Sept

Ambassador

Instructed to sort out offences given in letters and to find out what the EN parl may be doing about succession. Prior to audience JM had meetings with Christopher Hatton, Nicholas Throckmorton and Thomas Randolph. Famous discussions with Queen Elizabeth about the possible husbands for MQS and her own virginity. Also about which of the two queens were more accomplished and more beautiful. Probably much embroidered in Melville's later memoir. Further meetings with Hunsdon, Leicester, Sidney and Pembroke and with French and Spanish ambassadors. Dispatched by Cecil who 'put a fair chain about my neck' and given presents by Lady Lennox to give to MQS, Murray, Liddington, Robert Melville. Debriefed by MQS in Edin. about QE1, MQS's friends and supporters in England and well-willing of Spanish ambassador there.

Melville, pp.85-101

TO ENGLAND (1565-6]

Robert Melville

Ambassador Ordinary

To keep an eye on succession matters in EN parliament and pursue the succession plans for MQS proposed by Nicholas Throckmorton.

On returning from his first embassy to England (this one?), Sir Robert brought 'the hand-writings of twenty-five principal Earls and Lords of England, to set the Crown of England upon the Queen of Scotland's head'.

Melville, pp.120, 207

TO ENGLAND (1566)

William Stewart, Ross Herald.

dep. aft. 2 Jan

pre-paid £99.

To London on their majesties affairs.

TA 11 pp.453-4.

TO ENGLAND (1566)-2

James Melville

Dispatched 19 June 1566; in London four days later

Special Ambassador

Instructed before the delivery of Queen Mary to go to London, already had a letter from her with a blank 'to be filled up either with a son or a daughter', to request a fitting godparent from England and also to answer allegations made by Killigrew the EN AM in SC. At Greenwich he announced birth of Prince, meeting his brother Robert SC AM, Cecil and then audience with Queen Elizabeth. Apparently Queen's demeanour changed when she heard Mary had had a son.

Received 'a fair chain' on his departure.

Melville, pp.130-2.

TO ENGLAND (1568)-1

Nicholas Elphinstone

pre-paid 12 Jan 1568

£172 10s

To London on his grace's affairs

TA 12 p.93

TO ENGLAND (1568)-2

Alexander Clerk

pre-paid in 1568

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£75

to pass to FR & EN on at LR's spec. command.

TA 12 p.117

TO ENGLAND (1568)-3

Secretary Maitland

before Sept 18 1568

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when he passed in England with his grace'

TA 12 p.144.

TO ENGLAND (1569)

John Wood, senator of the College of Justice and secretary of Regent Moray.

home by 27 July

AM

According to Melville, he supplied a number of letters written by Norfolk to EN Govt which aided in his incrimination and returned well rewarded for his pains. At Perth He reported to the Estates on his negotiations with Eliz & PC. The problem of J6 being king in Mary's absence; Religion - an Anglican or Presbyterian model; Murray & Council to rule til James is 18; Crown lands; all foreigners except merchants to evacuate SC; a league bet EN & SC. That these things should be agreed under a tripartite arrangement bet Eliz, M of SC & J6; that a parliament in SC would make breaking this agreement treasonable; that Mary would forfeit to James if she broke the agreement and that SC would give hostages til J6 is 18. Estates objected to some of these suggestions but nevertheless considered the possibility of a commission to confer with a representative of Eliz's at the border.

RPCS ii 4-6; Melville, pp.184-5.

TO ENGLAND (1570)-1

Nicholas Elphinstone

dep. aft. 1 jan 1570

£216 pre-payment; also an acquittance of £40 12 s in Sept 70.

in his graces affairs by LR's spec.command'.

TA 12 p.185.

TO ENGLAND (1570)-2

William Stewart, brother of the laird of Gastoun.

prob bef 20 Sept 1570

£72 2s 8d acquittance

In EN on 'king's graces affairs'

TA 12 pp. 216, 223, 228.

TO ENGLAND (1570)-3

Nicholas Elphinstone

dep. aft 23 Oct 70

£70 to NE & to a servant of the E of Sussex.

TA 12 p.224.

TO ENGLAND (1570)-4

Thomas Fowler

departing 1 Dec

Pre-paid £37 6s 8d.

'to pass in EN by my LR's precept'.

TA 12 pp.229-30.

TO ENGLAND (1570)-5

Justice Clerk

before Dec 70

£140 for 2 wages in England.

TA 12 p.231.

Hiram Morgan

TO ENGLAND (1571)-1

William Stewart

departing Sept, back by 12 Dec 1571.

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£72 2s 2d prepayment

TA 12 pp. 282, 295.

TO ENGLAND (1571)-2

John E of Morton, Lord Dalkeith Chancellor, Robert Dunfermline Secretary.

Nov-Dec; discharged 2 Dec.

Commissioners

Had met Lord Husdon, gov of Berwick, & Elizabeth's commissioner at Berwick.
May be connected with missions above & below.

RPCS ii 98-9.

TO ENGLAND (1571)-3

James Cunningham

departing Nov 1571

£100 prepayment

'by the regent's precept to pass to London'.

TA 12 P.250.

TO ENGLAND (1572)

Elphinstone

June/Nov?

£300 acquittance

'to pass in EN at my LR's spec. comm.'

TA 12 p.251.

TO ENGLAND (1578)

Robert Pitcairn, Secretary & Lord Dunfermline; Alexander Hay, director of Chancery.

sent 17 June 1578; back by 16 Aug.

£4,000 to RP; £333 6s 8d to Alex Hay.

AMS

mission to QE1 - to thank Eliz for favour shown to J6 in his 'younger age'; to confirm Anglo-Scottish treaty; to discuss the good & bad aspects of marcher justice; to see how EN subjs in SC & SC subjs in EN can have speedier justice; to outline James's claim to the Lennox lands; to propose a life-long alliance bet En & SC for mutual assistance against foreign invasion and domestic rebellion.

TA 13 pp xxvi, 208, 217; RPCS ii 707-8; iii 23.

TO ENGLAND (1579)-1

James Murray, master of the wardrobe.

departing July 1579

777

£666 13s 4d

mission to QE1 re border affairs

TA 13 pp xxvi, 274.

TO ENGLAND (1579)-2

Sir Archibald Napier of Edinbellie & Merchiston, gen of the mint.

due to depart October 1579; preparations - 4 servants + horses ready for 10 days

prepayment of £800 cancelled

mission aborted

TA 13 pp xxvi, 311.

TO ENGLAND (1580)

Alexander Hume of North Berwick

Nov? 1580

AM

To enquire why Bowes refused to utter his commission & what was the meaning of certain words in his general letter. To get Eliz's assistance in repressing borderages as well as piracy against Scots merchants.

Moysie, 28

TO ENGLAND (1581)

Sir John Setton, son of Lord Setton.

dispatched 5 April

AM

to treat on war and peace. But three days after his departure he 'wes stayit at Beruick, quhilk wes thought ane strange noveltie, that ane frie ambassadour, hafing neid of no pasport, should be stayid'. Returned after 8 or 9 days to the king.

Moysie, 31-2

TO ENGLAND (1582-3)

John Colville, chanter of Glasgow

left end of Dec & back early Feb

AM, Envoy or agent?

Sent by Gowrie & his colleagues

RPCS iii p.li.

TO ENGLAND (1583)

John Colville & William Stewart, capt of king's guard

end of April or start of May; Stewart back by 2 June.

AMs

Instructed to get Eliz's advice on SC affairs generally, to consider the king's marriage, an arrangement for M of Sc, an annual pension of £5000 for J6 with an immediate advance of £10,000; a recognition of J6's claim to the Lennox estates in EN & an assurance of the succession in EN. Colville stuck to these instructions but Stewart who knew the king's mind and his anxiety to escape the Ruthven raiders had the secret errand of finding out for James whether a continuance of the English alliance could be reconciled with that object. This was dashed by Eliz's parsimony. Stewart reported to the k & C at the convention of Estates at the end of July. Colville was under censure for not attending to his ecclesiastical duties. According to Melville, they 'had not agreed well concerning their commission, having brought back different answers.'

RPCS ii pp.li-liv; 530n; Moysie, Memoir, 44-5; Melville, p.244

TO ENGLAND (1583-4)

Bishop of St Andrews

Am

To deal with QE1 whilst passing through England; Capt Robert Melville to return with the answer he got.

Melville, pp.274-5

TO ENGLAND (1584-5)

Patrick, Master of Gray.

left beg. of Dec; back beg. of Jan.

AM

According to Moysie he was sent 'with ane obscure commission knowin to none bot his Majesties selfe'.

Moysie 52, 150

TO ENGLAND (1585]

Sir Lewis Bellenden of Auchknowle, the Justice Clerk
left c.1st of May, dep. London 10th, back in SC by 15th.

AM

Moysie, pp52, 151; RPCS iii 745n, 748n.

TO ENGLAND (1586)-1

Bothwell, Lord Boyd & Sir James Hume of Cowdenknowes.

5 July

Commissioners

Sign league with EN on above date. Rutland, Eure & Randolph for EN

RPCS iv 86

TO ENGLAND (1586)-2

William Keith

Sent beg. of Nov.

AM

to sue for the release of Mary. It had been decided not to send Francis lord Bothwell on this mission after the English had refused him a safe-conduct.

Moysie 58-60, 152.

TO ENGLAND (1586)

Archibald Douglas

AM

To swear treaty of Amity, effectively chosen at insistence of Randolph, the EN
AM to SC. Dismissed on arrival of Melville, who considered him a traitor to MQS.

Melville, p. 317

TO ENGLAND (1587)

Patrick, Master of Gray, Abbot of Dunfermline & Sir Robert Melville of Murdecairny.

Despatched by convention of Estates on 15 Dec; 6 Feb returned home; 8th reported to K & C. The Master of Gray later accused Sir William Stewart of consenting to Mary's execution. As a result Stewart was committed to Edin Castle and Lord Hamilton had to beg for his life.

Moysie, 58-60,62-3, 152; RPCS iv 144.

TO ENGLAND (1588)

Archibald Douglas

AM at time of the Armada.

Melville, p.317

TO ENGLAND (1590)-1

Justice-Clerk

Sent by J6 from DK in Mar/Apr; returned to SC on 26 April

Doubtless to advertise EN of Danish marriage

Moysie 82

TO ENGLAND (1590)-2

Carmichael

Left SC mid-July

AM

Moysie, Memoirs, 84

William Morison

TO ENGLAND (1593)

Sir James Melville

Left Sc 9 June

AM

With a full answer to AM Lord Burgh's demands & to get the king's annual pension from EN. Not mentioned in Melville's own memoir.

Moysie, 101, 102

TO ENGLAND (1594)

Laird of Easter Wemyss

Left SC after 6th April

Ambassadors

To invite Queen Elizabeth to baptism of Prince Henry (born 19 Feb. 1594) and deal with her on some affairs concerning both states. To continue to France. According to Melville that English like the French were annoyed that this mission was not sent express. As a result SC AM received no reward.

Moysie, Memoirs, 117; Melville, pp.367-6

TO ENGLAND (1598)

Bruce, Mr Edward, Commendator of Kinloss

Left SC late March, returned late May

in Nov 97 Parliament had granted J6 200,000 merks for embassies to EN, F, E and other places). Sent to excuse to Elizabeth certain things James VI had said in Parliament touching his nomination to second person in EN. Also to make proposals concerning the two borders & two realms. Bruce brought back news of FR-SP peace in which it was hoped that LC & EN would be encompassed.

Moysie, Memoirs, 136-7, 367

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 (prev. 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

TO FRANCE (1512)-3

James Ogilvy

departing 11 July with De La Mothe

????

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

Hiram Morgan

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.

Hiram Morgan

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

Thirum Mordeh

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

Thirum Mordeh

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 burguesses - 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

William Moreland

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-iii, 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. F1 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 F1.

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

Thirram Morgan

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

Firram Morgan

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.

Hiram Mordeh

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

Shiraz Moradian

TO FRANCE (1565)

James Beaton

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

PNM 463-4, 469

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

Library of Theology

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

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1474)

Snowdon herald

11 May 1474 - date of payment before departure

£30 in expenses & £15 for gown

Parliament had suggested an embassy to make a confederation with Emperor.

TA 1 pp.lvi, 50

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1495)

4 ambassadors

Arrived 3 June 1495

Ambassadors

Scottish embassy at the court of Maximilian, k of Rs, at Worms. Its object, as we learn from a report by the Venetian ambassadors at the same court, was to induce Max to enter into a league with SC against EN, promising to support the claims of Perkin Warbeck to crown of EN and of SC for the restoration of Berwick. AMs also suggested a marriage bet J4 & Margaret of Savoy, Max's daughter.

TA 1 pp.cxxi-ii

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1507)

Robert Forman, dean of Glasgow, & Lyon herald

king's letter of 8 Jan; back by mid-Sept

Ambassadors

J4's concern for his kinsman, the duke of Gueldres. J4 sends these envoys in the hope of them helping arrange a compromise. Also to H7, Charles of Burgundy-Castile, D of G, LU & DK.

LJ4 50-1

TO GERMANY (LUBECK) (1507)

Robert Forman, Dean of Glasgow & Lyon herald

departing Jan 1507; home before 18 Sept.

Ambassadors

The AMs are to promote reconciliation & avert war. king's letter asks why is a flourishing city like Lubeck supporting the rebellious & duplicitous Swedes. If necessary, SC will support DK despite SC trade with LU.

TA 3 pp.361-2; LJ4 53-4.

TO GERMANY (HOLSTEIN) (1509)

Envoys

carry J4's letter of Oct (after 13th).

Won't help Duke Frederick against his brother John k of Dk will only send envoys

LJ4 157-8.

TO GERMANY (HOLSTEIN) (1512)-1

messenger

carried J4's letter of 4 Aug

J4 complains about spoliation of two Scottish ships by Hamburgers

LJ4 259

TO GERMANY (HOLSTEIN) (1512)-2

messenger

carried J4's letter of 12 Nov

About SC merchants seeking redress from Hamburgers.

LJ4 271-2

Hiram Morgan

TO GERMANY (HAMBURG) (1512)

messenger

carried J4's letter of 4 Aug

J4 complains about spoliation of two Scottish ships by Hamburgers

LT4 260

Shiraz Moradian

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1533)-1

James Skrymgeour, Master Elimosinar, Dean of Glasgow.

1533

business agents?

£2024 7 7

Purchase of munitions etc.

TA 6 p.151.

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1533)-2

Sir John Campbell of Lundy

reimbursed - Nov. 1533

£107 to reimburse his super-expenses.

TA 6 p.206

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1534)

1534

J5 asks for the hand of Mary through AM in EN merely to gee up Fl.

TA 6 p.206.

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1540)-1

John Dickson

1540

£75 for expenses TA 7 p.315

Hiram Morgan

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1540)-2

Sir John Campbell, Robert Forman, Ross herald.

Departing Oct/Nov 1540

Payments of £330 & 100 to Campbell; £24 to Forman for equipage.

Campbell 'passing to Emperor with writings'

TA 7 pp, 400, 404-5

TO GERMANY (POMERANIA) (1542)

Peter Ross

1542.

£6 12s

Delivery of letters to Duke of Pomerania.

TA 8 p.77.

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1550)-1

Alexander Ross herald

Pen. Feb. - payment

paid £135

sent to k of F & EM

TA 9 p.382

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1552)

Robert Forman, Ross herald

May 7 1552 - prepayment

£400 for journey expenses.

Ross H sent by SC C with certain articles to be shown K of F &, then on to the EM.

TA 10 p.84

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1590)

Stewart, Colonel William; Skene, Mr John

Appointed early June; Left SC July 1590

Ambassadors

Moysie, Memoirs, 84; RPCS iv 488-9.

TO GERMANY (BRUNSWICK) (1594)

Peter Young

Left in May

AM

Follow on to B from visit to DK and Mecklenburg to announce birth of Prince Henry

Melville p.367

TO GERMANY (MECKLENBURG) (1594)

Peter Young

Left in May

AM

Follow on to M. from visits to DK and Brunswick to announce birth of Prince Henry

Melville p.367

TO GERMANY/EMPIRE (1594)

Sir William Keith; Sir William Murray

May 1594

AMs

Embassy to carry invitation to baptism. Described as to the Low Countries, this possibly continued into the Empire

TO IRELAND/ENGLAND (1507)

Rutherford, the king's messenger

left after 22 Aug 1507; back by Oct.

Prepaid £6 14s

To get redress from the men of C'Fergus after a massacre in Innermessan; and to see E of Kildare.

TA 3 pp.lxxvii, 351, 369.

TO IRELAND (1540)

Rore Ferquharson

1540?

£40

'For passing to the men of gud of Ireland'.

TA 7 p.339

TO IRELAND (1542)

Thomas Rogy 1542

Prepaid £10 letter delivery

TA 8 p.55

Hiram Morgan

TO IRELAND (1554)

Moreis Ocastheid (Maurice O'Cassidy?) & servant of E of Argyll.

departing 10 Oct 54

£50 prepayment

'The Queen grace's affairs'.

TA 10 p.239

TO IRELAND (1567)

Cormac O'Connor

awarded payment 4 April; received it 2 May.

£69

'by the Queen's grace's precept'. Why? Was he a messenger to Ireland or from Ireland?

TA 12 p.49.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1474)

Lombard bankers

1474

The king's appeal against the abp of St Andrews at Rome - the K's interests represented by Lombard bankers.

TA 1 pp.1-li.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1503)

Lyon herald

departing Mar/Apr 1503

To pass to Rome for confirmation of Anglo-Scottish treaties.

TA 2 pp.361-2, 365.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1504)

Lyon, Robert Bertoun and/or James Bertoun, Andrew Matheson

On way home through FR in Aug 1504. reimbursed Feb 1505

envoys

Paid for bringing home the bulls of St Andrews. In 1505 J4 writes to the Cardinal of St Mark thanking him for his hospitality to SC envoys and his arrangement of a Papal audience and the ceremony of obedience to J2.

TA 2 p.453; LJ4 16-9.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1506)

Sir Gilbert Strachan

1506

messenger

the choice of James Betoun, as abbot of Dunfermline.

LJ4 46

TO ITALY (VENICE) (1506)

Alvise, Marco

Presented letters of credence to the college, 21 Dec.

Ambassador

James IV requests galleys or artificers from Venice, as he intends to go to Jerusalem. Signory grants request.

CSPV, 1502-09, 891, 892; LJ4 45-6

TO ITALY (ROME) (1508)

Gilbert Strachen

Gilbert Strachen mentioned in Cardinal of St Mark's letter to J4 of 1 Jan as solicitor of Scottish matters.

LJ4 94-5

TO ITALY (VENICE) (1508)

Bp Blacader of Glasgow

In V in May & start of July

???

Audience with Doge 16 of May

Carried letter of credence to the signory. Not described as an ambassador, was going on pilgrimage to Jerusalem, poss. trail-blazing for J4. Died in Oct/Nov on return trip from Jaffa.

LJ4 113-4.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1508-9)

Sir Thomas Halkerstoun, provost of Crichton.

In Italy by Oct/Nov.; king's letter of 12 Feb; another undated letter

Ambassador

In the letter to Ludovic Puteolanus, sec to Cardinal of St Mark, J4 described him as 'household man & procurator of the king'. Preceptor of Abp of St Andrews then a boy studying in Padua. Halkerstoun has royal instructions. J4 writes to J2 about poss. crusade which J4 wants to take part in & poss. lead and also about his delayed trip to Jerusalem. Ambassador Halkerstoun will give details.

LJ4 136-7, 166

TO ITALY (ROME) (1510)-1

Sir Thomas Adie

referred to in a letter of the Cardinal of Volterra on 17 Jan as J4's procurator in Rome.

LJ4 167

TO ITALY (ROME) (1510)-2

king's letter of 25 Feb

J4 sends Thomas Nudry to defeat the intentions of James Betoun re Chapel Royal with letters to Cardinal of St Mark & J2.

LJ4 168-9

Hiram Morgan

TO ITALY (ROME) (1510-2)

Andrew Forman, Bishop of Moray, joined for a time by Duke of Albany

Departed on or after 22 Oct 1510; left Blois on or before 29 Dec; Jan - possibly in Venice; end of April in Bologna; 20 June in Grenoble; Aug in Rome; Nov in Blois; 7 Jan arrives Rome; in Blois by 17 Jan; in London 11 Feb; back in SC shortly after. Albany commissioned by J4 on 5 Feb 1511 but Pope refused to see him in March.

Ambassadors

Audiences with Pope before end of April, on 3 May & in Aug & Sept & at start of Jan 1512

Forman was to reconcile Rome & France and promote J4 crusade proposal. To demand that J2 stop his hostility to L12 or else be subject to a council. Between Feb 5 & 12 J4 wrote a number of letters to continental leaders urging them to support Forman's mission. In fact the Scottish bishop became little more than a pawn in complicated and fruitless shuttle diplomacy. J2 wrote J4 letters about Forman's diplomatic skill and held out the promise of a red hat. Sometimes Forman was L12's AM & sometimes J2's. In Apr/May J2 insisted through Forman on L12 abandoning the duke of Ferrara and seems willing to see FR AM. L12 was not willing to send AM and sent Forman with 'good sharp answers'. 25 Sept J2 having just negotiated the Holy League, commissioned Forman & Abp of Torre as his ambassadors and demanded the unconditional surrender of Bologna. In Rome in Jan Forman made a final attempt but J2 refused to dissolve the League unless L12 gave up both Ferrara & Bologna.

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

TO ITALY (VENICE) (1511)

Andrew Forman, bishop of Moray

Early 1511

Moray may have visited Venice during his diplomatic effort to reconcile J2 and L12

LJ4 xlv

TO ITALY (ROME) (1512)

Thomas Nudry, archdeacon of Moray.

king's letters of Feb 1512 & 15 Aug.

procurator - royal agent in the curia

In Feb to deal with cases of Chapel Royal, Abp of St Andrews & order of St John in SC; in Aug J4 complains through Nudry that he has not received an invitation to the Lateran Council unlike other princes, about English attacks and about the preceptory of Torphichen which Wolsey is disputing etc

LJ4 229, 264-6.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1512-3)

Cuthbert Bailey

king's letter of Dec 1512

messenger

sent to Rome about abbeys & benefices. Also carried letter to the Cardinals about the war situation.

LJ4 278-80

TO ITALY (ROME) (1513)

Andrew Forman, bp of Moray

commissioned 25 March; leaves SC 31 March; 17 Apr at Blois; did he get to Italy?

Ambassador

On news of J2's death on 20 March, J4 sends Forman as his man at the court of Leo X, if necessary to appoint a new cardinal protector and remind new pope of his work for peace and the promise of a cardinal's hat. H8 wanted Forman intercepted on the way in case he managed to get interdict of J2 lifted. In L12 requests that Forman be made abp of Bourges, which Leo granted on 15 July & Nudry delivered on 3 Aug. In the meantime the Pope had renewed the interdict, condemning J4 as a hypocrite who talked about crusades but made war on other Christians.

LJ4 294-7, 300, 303-8.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1529)

Sir Thomas Erskine of Halton; Dingwall herald + servants.

departing March 1529

Ambassador

£10 to Tom Marschal the cook; £15 to Anthony the drummer; £12 to Dingwall herald and £1333 6s 8d to Erskine on departure. Erskine received another £656 13s 4d towards this mission in 1531.

Also on Embassy to Fr.

TA 5 p.378, 434.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1531)

Erskine

Arrives in Rome in Feb 1531

Ambassador

£300 reimbursement??

TA 5 p.434; 6 pp.xli-ii.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1533)

John Lauder

?1533

£262 10s prepayment + £40 for a horse.

king's errands

TA 6 p.153

TO ITALY (ROME) (1534)

John Lauder ?1534

£525 prepayment king's errands

TA 6 p.232

TO ITALY (ROME) (1535)

Possible embassy to get Pope to recognise the local divorce of Margaret Erskine.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1544)

Adam Mure

?1544

£270 prepayment

passing to Rome in my lord governor's affairs.

TA 8 p.278

TO ITALY (ROME) (1547)

John Hamilton of Milburn, master of works.

departing after 11 Nov 1546

supplications to Rome

TA 9 pp.134-5

TO ITALY (ROME) (1558-60)

John Thornton

Prior to May 1558; end of Feb 1560.

Mary of Guise's rep. in Rome, operated through Cardinal Guise. In 1560 concerned with benefices and taxes in situation of increasing heresy. Guise consults Fr king on taxes and benefices in SC. In August 1565 Thornton described as the Scottish ambassador's secretary was travelling from Rome with bill, licences, dispensations etc through France.

TA 10 pp.354, 401; PNM 29-31, 41-3, 199-220, 227.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1564)

Stephen Wilson

in Rome, leaves after 15 June.

Audience with Pope on or before 15 June

carries dispatch from Mary & back from Pope

PNM 187

TO ITALY (ROME) (1564-5)

Stephen Wilson

Leaves for Rome on or after 20 Oct, leaves Rome after 1 May 65.

letter to & from Pope

PNM 189

TO ITALY (ROME) (1565)

William Chisholm, bp of Dunblane.

leaves SC c.4 July 1565. In Rome by August; leaves after 25 Sept; returns as far as Paris where he is ordered to stay; briefs reach SC by Jan

Ambassador

Audience with Pope in August

To get Papal dispensation for Darnley marriage and allegedly to ask Pope for 300,000 ducats. Tells Pope of marriage plan, that Queen's secretary and treasurer are heretics. Wants money for army of 10-12,000. 24 Sept dispensation is issued but no money forthcoming

PNM 199-220, 227.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1566)

Chisholm, Wilson

Commissioned by Mary & Darnley on 30 Jan 1566; commissioned delivered by Wilson in Paris in mid-Feb; left P in March; consults Cardinal of Lorraine en route; arrives Rome 25-6 April; back in SC by 17 Dec when he assists at baptism of James.

Ambassador

Audience with Pius V before end of April

Requests subsidy. Pius replies to Mary on 12 May; Bp of Mondovi to be sent as nuncio with 25,000 scudi subsidy. Queen had received this brief by 17 July.

PNM 233-4, 237, 239, 240-253, 261, 317, 341-2.

TO ITALY (ROME) (1566-7)

Stephen Wilson

Instructions 9 Oct; Delays departure; 13 Nov in London; 20 in Paris; Leaves P
15 Dec; in Rome by 11 Jan; ready to return by 25 Jan.

To see SP AM in London. To see bp of Glasgow to inform him of his mission to
Rome; to ask the Nuncio to come to SC; to thank the Pope for sending Nuncio
and subsidy; to inform him of the state of SC and that the Prince is to be
baptised a Catholic.

PNM 322-29, 339, 343-4.

TO LOW COUNTRIES/BURGUNDY (1495)

Sir Andrew Wood; Snowdon herald; John Pringall: Peter John.

?1495

TA 1 p.233

TO LOW COUNTRIES (GUELDRES) (1505)

John Vyessen, Duke's secretary, & poss. Andrew Haliburton, the conservator.

king's letters of 11/14 June & 8 Sept.

envoys

Duke's secretary & envoy sent back with letter. J4 complains that the Duke has given too much support for Edmund de La Pole. Andrew Haliburton may approach the Duke with articles.

LJ4 pp.10-5

TO LOW COUNTRIES (ANTWERP) (1506)

Andrew Haliburtoun, resident of Middleburg

king's letter of 10 May

envoy

In response to Antwerp's embassy, J4 has commissioned the above to find out more about the city's proposal to become the staple.

LJ4 22, 24

TO LOW COUNTRIES/SPAIN (1507)

Robert Forman, bp of Glasgow; Henry Thorton/Thompson, Lyon K of Arms.

king's letters of 6 Jan; back by mid-Sept.

Ambassadors

J4 offers Charles of Castile condolences on the premature death of his father Philip, hopes ancient pacts will be continued. Also to H7, Max, D of G, LU & DK.

TA 3 lxxiii, 361-2; LJ4 47.

TO LOW COUNTRIES (GUELDRES) (1507)

Robert Forman, Dean of Glasgow, & Lyon k of A

king's letter of 8 Jan; back by Sept

envoys to ask Duke to seek an accommodation with his enemies. Not clear whether they actually got to see the Duke; if they could not help in the dispute that they were to go on and try to negotiate a settlement between Lubeck & Denmark.

LJ4 47-51

TO LOW COUNTRIES/SPAIN (1507-8)

John Francis

Carries letter of 31 Dec

Conservator

Made conservator of mercantile privileges in the Low Counties on death of Andrew Haliburton. J4 commend him to the Chancellor of Burgundy.

LJ4 92-3

TO LOW COUNTRIES (Campveere) (1508)

John Francis

Carries J4's letter of 3 Aug

conservator

Going to Veere & Middleburg. The decision about the staple depends on him & the other merchants.

LJ4 118-9

TO LOW COUNTRIES (Middleburg) (1508)

John Francis

Carries J4's letter of 3 Aug

conservator

Going to Veere & Middleburg. The decision about the staple depends on him & the other merchants.

LJ4 118-9

TO LOW COUNTRIES (ANTWERP) (1508)

king's letter of 6 Apr

messenger

James turns down Antwerp's request for Scottish trade. SC merchants to frequent Veere for time being

LJ4 104-5

TO LOW COUNTRIES/SPAIN (1508)

J4's letters of 8 Dec 1508

Letters to Max, Duchess of Savoy & Veere re the arrest of Robert Bertoun at Veere for his legitimate reprisal against Portuguese shipping.

LJ 4 129-31

TO LOW COUNTRIES/EMPIRE (1526-7)

herald

1526-7

herald sent to Flanders to interview AD Margaret, rep the EM, re. possibility of marriage alliance.

TA 6 p.xxxviii

TO LOW COUNTRIES/EMPIRE (1531)

herald

1531 - returned Oct.

Ambassador

Sir David Lindsay went to Brussels with full authority to negotiate for the hand of Catherine, ex.Q of Aus. She now Reg. of LC refuses. C5 gives DL portraits of the two Danish princesses. But messenger shipwrecked and Lindsay's dispatch came in the hands of the English. In Oct Lindsay arrived home with C5's offer of Dorothea or Christina and support in war against EN. J5 opts for Dorothea and prepares embassy but F1 intervenes citing Ty of Rouen and offering Madelaine. J5 makes excuses to C5.

TA 6 xliii, xliv

TO LOW COUNTRIES/EMPIRE (1544)

Lord Secretary, David Paniter; Alexander Guthrie, Snowdon herald.

December 1544 - payments

Ambassador

£300 to Secretary; £55 to Snowden.

The secretary on a mission to France & Flanders. Snowden (30 Dec) leaves with a collar for C5 and is to deliver it to the secretary in FR. Treaty re trading privileges of Flemish and other of the Emperor's subjects. Delivered clerk of register by Paniter on 19 Dec.

TA 8 335,340; RPCS 118.

TO LOW COUNTRIES/EMPIRE (1545)

Sir John Campbell, maitre d'hotel to dowager.

plan to sent above as envoy to Flanders, apparently never executed.

SCML 178.

TO LOW COUNTRIES/EMPIRE (1550)-1

Thomas Erskine

Departing after 22 April (instructions); apparently not commissioned til Sept;
treaty of Binche signed 30 Dec

Ambassador

Prior visits to EN & FR; Instructions (to be shown to H2) to remind C5 of ancient
101 yr peace and how Flemish subjects broke this by taking 14 SC ships in
Flemish ports; how Q of Hungry ignored demands of SC heralds; how
ambassador sent to request SC's comprehension in FR-IMP peace was ignored.
Erskine request peace from C5 and to ask C5 to press EN to make honorable
peace with SC

RPCS I 86-93; SCML 349-50.

TO LOW COUNTRIES/ SPAIN (1567)

William Stewart, Albany herald

departing Pen Sept 1567

£231 prepayment

To pass in Nor, DK & Flanders at LR's spec. command.

TA 12 p.75.

TO LOW COUNTRIES/UNITED PROVINCES (1594)

Keith, Sir William; Murray, Mr William

Left SC start of May 1594

Carried invitation to baptism of Prince Henry.

Moysie, Memoirs, 117

TO NORWAY/ DENMARK (1509)

Andrew Jameson, a sailor

departing prob. March 1509

???

Letter of credence to Christian & nobles of N. to allow J. to choose timber for ships' masts and have it shipped to SC

LJ4 143

TO NORWAY/ DENMARK (1567)

William Stewart, Albany herald

departing Pen. Sept 1567

£231 prepayment

To pass in Nor, Den, & Flanders at LR's spec. command.

TA 12 p.75.

TO POLAND (DANZIG) (1509)

James Mackieson, Peter Brewhouse, Thomas Forret

leaving end of March 1509

Commercial agents

Letters of credence to leading citizen & senate of Danzig. Mackieson (business),
Brewhouse (ships' masts) & Forret (horses).

LJ4 143-5

TO POLAND (1509)

James Mackieson, Thomas Forret

leaving SC end of March

commercial agents

Also to DK & Danzig. To buy horses.

LJ4 143

TO PORTUGAL (1505)

Beaton, James, and others

Beaton in F on way home Aug.

LJ4, 16-7.

TO PORTUGAL (1507)

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

departing March 1507

£70 prepayment

'The king's errands'. Also to go to FR & SP.

TA 3 p.371

TO PORTUGAL (1510)

Philip Gualteroti

Carries J4's let of 24 June 1510

envoy

Has received King Emanuel's letter of 12 June re shipping dispute. Suspends reprisals for a year. J4's rep is a Florentine merchant living in Burges who has himself suffered in the dispute.

LJ4 173-4

TO RUSSIA in London (1583)

Stewart, Colonel William; Colville, John

May 1583

Ambassadors

'Yakov Arbil', an attendant on the Scots ambassadors in London, called on Feodor Andreyevich Pisemsky, the Russian ambassador to Elizabeth , giving assurances of friendly attitudes to the tsar•

N.E. Evans, 'The meeting of Russian and Scottish ambassadors in London in 1601', *Slavonic and East European Review*, 55 (1977), 521"

TO RUSSIA in London (1601)

Erskine, John, Earl of Mar; Bruce, Edward, Abbot of Kinloss

7 May 1601

Ambassadors

N.E. Evans, 'The meeting of Russian and Scottish ambassadors in London in 1601', *Slavonic and East European Review*, 55 (1977), 518-28.

TO SCOTLAND (1579)

Monsieur Nau, secretary of M Q of S

arrived at Edin. Castle 17 June; left 20th

Not admitted to Edinburgh Castle because his letters referred to 'our sone the Prince of Scotland'. Refused admission to J6's presence at Stirling on 19th

Moysie 23

TO SPAIN (1488-9)

Lyon herald; Snowdon herald

Departing after 3 Nov 1488

TA 1 pp.lxxxiii-v, 97

TO SPAIN (1495)

Robert, Abp of Glasgow

Arrives 24 Aug 1495

Ambassador

To negotiate marriage treaty

TA 1 p.cxxii

TO SPAIN (1496)

Robert, Abp of Glasgow (the secretary?); George Muirehead

?1496

Ambassador

By agreeing to perpetual peace with EN & safety of H7 from 'him of York', hopes to secure marriage alliance with SP.

TA 1 pp.cxxx, 266.

TO SPAIN (1507)

Rothsay herald (prev. Blewmantell, pursuivant to the Queen)

departing March 1507

£70 prepayment

'The king's errands'. Also to go to FR & Por

TA 3 p.371.

TO SPAIN (1510)

Andrew Matheson

1510

business agent

J4 seeks renewal of Matheson's licence to procure horses, anchors & ropes in SP

LJ4 184-5

TO SPAIN (1512)

John Matheson

Departing with J4's letter of 1 July

messenger/envoy

J4 wants F1 to sue for peace which Matheson his messenger 'will intimate at greater length'.

LJ4 250

TO SWEDEN (1504)

Lyon herald

1504

Also to DK; to enquire into continuing hostility bet DK & Swedes.

TA 2 p.xci

TO SWEDEN (1590)

Captain William Murray

early Jan

AM/ENVOY/MESSENGER

Sent from Norway to Stockholm to get the royal party a safe-conduct through Swedish territory on way to Denmark.

RPCS iv 469