

Dundee Burgh Laws 1551 - 1694

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Anent fish

Item that na flescher within this burgh nor ther servants attempt to buy fish to brake and top upon nighboures under the pain of deling of ther fish fund rotin ther buithes togitter with ther unlaw of five merkes to our common fund unforgevin alsweill in Lentren as out of the samine

Anent flesh

Also that na flescher in brugh nor land bring blawin flesh to thir merkit nor rollowitt it nor cuttit upon or under the schip.

And that the heid of the mutton be brought with the schip bouk and every ~~and every~~ ~~bouk~~ have the neires with the Creisch fra the fest of pash whill michalmas, And that na flescher bring carion flesh deid in pot or myre nor any seeknes under the pain of confiscatione of the failzie flesh togidder wt xx s to the reparation of the common wark unforgevin.

And that all land flesh be put at once to the merkat and that na schiep be slittit doin in the shulders.

It is statute that na sip be fraughted be privat persones but openly in pns of the provost or baillies or than before the Dean of gild to pass in merchandise in france flanders, denmark, Danskine or any free port without this realme and after the Dean of gild hes been pnt at the ship frauchting yt no skipper admit the merchand to saill without he be freman or their being the Dean of gilds ticket to the said skipper. And the Dean of gild to Direct his factor to refer the holy bloode silver fit and wont.

Curia Capitalis burge De Dundie tenta
in pretorio ejusd' per honorabilem vir'
magistrum Jacobum haliburton praepositum
Andream Annand Robertrum Kyd et georgium
Speding ballives dicti burgi quinto Die
mensis octobris anno Dom 1551 sectis
Vocatis et curia legitime affirmat'.

Anent cheat & flour

It is statut be the provost baillies counsel and haill Dekynes of crafts yt gif ther be any Baxter wtin this brugh in tyme coming havand dry wheat or flour within his house & makin bread in his house or into the ovne and Dry malt into his house and wanting wort or aill that the factor in

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Be determination of the provost baillies counsel and haill Dekynes of craftes And of ther own consents be expellit for baking and brewing for zear and Day.

Anent malt & flower

Quo die to is statut yt gif ony maltman or nightbour of this brugh hes dry malt or wheat wtn ther loftes or houses and will not sell the samen to baxters and brousters upon prices qrbv the actes and statuts may be observit and keppet yt the persones wilk refuses to doe the samen sall be expellit fra & all buying and wheat buying for Zear and Day and the actes to be publick in the tollbooth and to have the force and strength of ane Decreet.

Cura Capitablis burge De Dondie Tenta
in pretoro ejusd' per Georgium Lovell Robertum
miln jacobim forrester et Thomas Maxwell
baillies Dicti burgi undecimo Die mensis
January Anno Dom 1551.

That all burgess make residence wtin this brugh

The whilk day It is statut and ordanit be the baillies & counsel of this brugh that all burgesses sall now remain and make rsidens within this brugh to joyse and brook the priviledge and libertie thairof and decerne ther samin efter their guidly power with their counsel help And supply in Taxatione walking warding and all other dewties conforme to the maintainance of the priviledges of this brugh lik as thei ar sworne be ther oaths when they are maid burgess. And this to be done wtin the space of fourty dayes after the Dait of this act under the pain of Tinsell of thair freedome.

Cura Capitalis burgis de dunde Tenta in
Pre'oiro ejusd' per honorabilem virum
Ma'rum Jacobum Haliburton prepositum
Alex'um Paterson Gulielmum Carmichaele
Et Georgium Lovell ballives ejusd' nono
Die mensis January Anno 1552.

Anent the common Clerk

It is statute & ordanit be the provost Baillies & Counsell yat fra this furth yat no easin sall be gevin wtin this brugh be qtsomever Baillie thairof wtout the common clerk be pnt at the geving therof with twa nychtbours & ane scrivand. And albeit ther be uthers notars pnt at the giving of the sd seasin ther instruments shall have no faith nor strong

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Without the samine be signit and subscrivit be thair common clerk forsaid and that ane Register Buik be maid and all the sd seasins minitit and rollit thairin the day zeir moneth and Ju'diction the names of the resignat the Baillie the resaver of the sesing the Land or annual designit be the bunds and mithes at the Lest & witnesses as forsaid is. And that all Testimonials passand furth of this realme under the common and secret Sealls assidationes of common custome Lawes or millis confirmations consentt of fewes be registered in likemaner in the said book.

Curia capitalis burge de dunde Tenta in
Pretoiro ejusd' et prima curia &c cognition'
terrarum post dictie villae combustio' per
Anglos nostrus veteras Inimicos fectis vocat
et curia legittime affirmata per honorabiles
viros magrum Jacobim Haliburton propositum
George Lovell Alex'um Paterson et Gulielmum
Carmichall balivos Die secundo mensis octobris
Anno 1553

Anent Bief & muttoun

The Quilk Day it is statute and ordainit be the provest baillies and counsel that no man nether in brugh nor land buyand beef or mutton in this merkat in great have away ther flesh of the merkat unto the time the sam be seen by the prysars and Deduction be maid thairupon as assoures efter the same be bought under the pain of eight s so oft as thay sall be found brakand this statut.

Curia capitalis burge de dunde Tenta in pretorio
Ejusd' per honorabilem virum magistrum
Jacobum Haliburton prepositum Jacobum Lovell
et Robertum Milne ballivos octavo die mensis
January Anno 1553

Anent disobeying of officers

In the whilk pnt the provost Baillies councell and committie hes ratified and approved all Lowable actes maid be them or ye predisessors observit be prescriptione and keepit. And as of now hes statuit and ordainit give any pson or psones within this brugh being found Disobeying or misperforming any officer bearing any office wtin this brugh for the tyme sall pay to kirkmaster five lib of money but any furdur **pces** and his

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Readiest lands to be poundit therfor wha bees convitcted And the kirkmaister to mak round yearly of all sik actes as be foundin in the townes buiks for that year. And the person committed to com upon his knees to the merkat cross and desire the person whom he has offendit forgiveness and gif he disobey to tyne his freedome And give the said persone or persones who beis convict conforme to ther promise who has not guids nor geir strimzeable for the said soume of five lib. In that caise he sall ly fourtie aucht hours in the stockes. And upon the next merkat day sal come to the merkat cross and desire the pson whom hes offendit forgiveness upon his knees. And gife the said pson disobeyes in the promise the said disobeyer yrafter to be banished out of towne for zeir and day but any mitigation to be maid by the Judges or parte. And the Judges ar dischargit be thir pnts fra Dispensing thairwith.

For miscarieing to ye Counsell

Item gif ony pson or psons within this brugh bees founding mispersoning or blaspheming of the counsell chosen for the tym or any taxtares or **cummers** of wyne or aill or any pson or psnos doing or executing any bussinese at the command of the provest, Baillies or counsel sall pay to the kirkmaster forsd xl ls and the kirkmaster to

Curia capitallis burgi de Dondie tenta in
Pretorio ujuser post sestam nativatitatis Domini
Per honorablis viros georgium Lovell Robertum
Kid Georgium Rollock and Andream fletcher
Ballives Decimo Die mensis January Anno
1558 Curria afirmata.

Anent slandering of honest weman

The whilk day the Bailies counsell pnt with advise of the deacons of crafts for the expulsion of vices furth of this brugh and observation of the common wiel thairof hes maid & statut the actes & ordinances efter following qlk they will have duely put to execution In all poynts. In the first because of the gryt Defam sklander & sham of honest mens wives ther Daughters and woman servands of this brugh. It is been reported & spoken that they have been seducit be slandorins to use themselves unlawfullie in fornicatione & hurdome for remeed of the whelk It is

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Statut and ordainit that give ther be and sic men or woman within this brugh slandorus that they Dispatch themselves of the samin within xxiiij houres next heirafter under the pain to be taken and openly had to the merkat crose of the brugh and thair to be banist the same for ever.

Anent vagabondes

Item that na vagabond that hes no occupatione nor master to serve wherby they may live and have ther sustentation And that nane of night walkers guysares cartares nor Drinkers remain within this brugh Certefieing them yet gif they be found within the sam they sall be put in fermans and prisone vnto the tyme that Inquisition be tane of thar guiding and maner of Obversation. And give they be found culpable to be baniest and punished utherwayes in ther persones according to ther demerits. And that no nighbour within this brugh harbour siclike persones bot Incontinent to show the samin to the officer or Baillies of this brugh under the same paines.

Anent Beggars

Item that no beggars be tholit within this brugh bot yt whelk are borne within the same. And nan of them be suffered to begg except they (having the townes seall upon thair hat or cloak) be auld crukit Laim or Debitatit be great seeknes qlk may not labour nor work for yr living. And give any uther be at this pnt wtn this brugh that they Dispatch them of the sam betwixt this and Sunday next to com under the pain of burning them upon the cheek and banishing them the toune for ever.

Anent Scholars yt crys in Church

Item thall masters of scholes Doctors of the same parents of bairns being that attend yt yr bairnes nor servands by all order be might found playing crying or Disquieting in the tyme of preaching under the pain of punishing with all Rigor. And give the sds bairns or servands be found braking any glasen windowes the parents to repair the same upon ther own expense.

Anent Adulterers

Item yt no person within this brugh be found walking in the night season privatly or openly in the streets or gaites of the samin nor drinking at any wyme or aill tavern

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Within this brugh after ten houres of the night under the pain of fourty lb for the first fault and for the next falt to be banished this brugh and that nane sell aill nor resait sic psones under the pain of banishing them the toun.

Curia Capitalis burgi de Dunde tenta in
Pretorio ejusd' Secundo Die mensis octobris
Anno Domini 1559

Anent Adulterers

The whilk day it is statut and ordainit by the Provost Baillies counsel Dekynes and c0mte of this brugh at this pnt head court that give any Adulterer man or woman be appprehendit witin this brugh sall for the first fault stand in the chokes of irone at the crose three houres in the maist notable tyme of Day and thereafter had to the sea where the Gybit sall be set up and thrice Duckat yairuntil and again brought to the crose and Banished this brugh for ever And for the second fault guif they be reconcealed com again to this brugh and thairafter failzies as they did of befor to Incur the pain the pain that sall be adviswed for Adulterers be the Lords of Counsell and congregatione.

Anent fornicators

Item it is statute that give any man or woman wtn ys burgh sall happin to commit fornication that for the first fault they shall be admonished be the preachers to forbear and after the preachers counsel shall show ther open repentance publicly in presens of the haill congregation and so forbear in tyme cuming but give he or she beis appprehendit with the said fault in tyme coming they sall stand three houres om the chokes and be thrice Duckitt in the sea as sd is and give that punishment serves not for amendement of the second tyme but yrafter continues they sall be banished this brugh for ever.

Anent Servands yt Comittes fornication

Also it is statut and ordainiit that give any master of ane hous wtin this brugh hydes concelles or holds his servant efter that they have knowledge that ther sd servants hes committit fornication wtin ys brugh undeclairit to the Deacons elders or maister that the sd maister sall pay 15 lib to the common warkes of this brugh.

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Anent Blaspheming of Elders

Also it is statut that who blasphemously speakes of the minister elders or Deakynes of the congregacione or against the provost and counsel of the order of Discipline shall Incur the pain conmtainit in the act maid against them that blasphemes the provost Baillies and Counsell of this Brugh.

Anent Draweing of whinger in pnce of the Provost

Morover it is statut that who ever givews ane cuffe or Draw ane qhinger in the pns of the Provost Baillies Counsell or uther in the court or any uther conversation yt sall be maid wtin this brugh sall pay to the common good x lib by satisfacione of the parte And all who gives ane cuff or drawes A qhinger utherwayes prevaitly sall pay to the common guid xl lib be the said satisfacione of the party.

Anent Blaspheming

Also it is statut yt who wtin this brugh in pnce of the Judge calls his party any maner of Blasphemous talk or Irreverend speaking sall pay to the common guid xx lb wt amends to the ptie to be modified be the provost Baillies and Counsell.

Anent opening of Buithes Doores on Sunday

A note in the margin reads Ratified at ane head court 1564 with yr addition yt after 3 times admonition

Also it is statut that na merchand craftsman or fleshers in spetiall or hocksters open ther buiths nor use na manner of trasecting or braking of flesh upon the Sunday but the same to be keepit in the medidatione of gods word. And also that na taverner brouster nor Baxter shall open ther buithes nor sell bread wyne nor aill during the tyme of the preaching upon the Sunday and who founding bees apprehendit doing the contrare sall payt viij sh unforgiven Remains obstinate shall for ye 1st fault pay 20 s & who have it not to pay sall stand in hemes in ye jouges.

Anent ym yt speakes wtouot live in the toolbooth

Moreover tha no person wtin this brugh qlk persowes action befor Provost and Baillies in the tolbuith presume to speak of his oun Action without he be withene the bar and that with reverence as becums him & propun, utherwayes his action sall be dischargit for xiiij dayes efter on callit and gife the defender speak against this act to pay viij s unforgivin

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Anent Middings

Moreover it is statut that all persones either rich or poore within this brugh that hes middings in any place within the boundes of this brugh that they cause the samin to be carried away on wednesday at even next to come. And lay no middings within this brugh in tyme coming under the paine of xl s to be tane up of ther readiest geir to the common warkes. And also that ilk bailie visit his quarter wher the said middings lyes and cause this act to be put to execution as he will answer of his conscience.

Anent filth

The qlk Day it is statut and ordanit that gife any man be apprehendit laying his filth upon the gait hie passages buithes dores or any other publict place within this brugh that he sall be put in the branks be the space of xxiiij houres thairafter. And give any woman offends in manner forsaid to be put in the cookstole be the space forsaid.

Curia Capitalis Burgh De Dunde quinto die
Mensis octobris 1560

Pier Masters

Item becaus it is considerit that the principell points of the commonweill of this brugh The Shoar bulwark & haven hes been so little regardit this long tyme bygone that the sam is able within short process to decay & come to ruine. Thairfor it is statut and ordainit that John Fotheringhame and Andron Annand elder be Piermasters for the zear to com who sall have like power as the principall magistrates of this Brugh to caus the act after following be put to execution. And that all the officors obey ther pounding of the unlaues continit theruntill as they aught & sub'd be virtue of the Provost & Baillies acts for bigging mending repairing and upholding of the shoar and Bulwark.

Anent ye shor

In the first It is ordainit that the pier and Bulwark be bitit mendit and repairit wher it is faulty with all possible Dilligence and the readiest common guid be warit yr upon.

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and Bulwark

And in tyme coming how soon the common guid is frie that the casualties gotten upon the shore and at the port be ordainit to uphold the shoar and Bulwark.

Anent Troublance

Item that who bees apprehendit drawing ane qhinger or geven ane couff in oppen conventions upon the shoar or betwixt the chapel craig and Thomas Cristalls hous sall pay to the uphald of the shoar and bulwark v lib. And wha drawes and qhinger or gives ane cuffe utherwayes privately sall pay x lib to the effect forsaid and wha commits any uther troublance wtin the forsd bounds sall pay xx lib unforgiven thairto.

Anent lying at the Shoar

Item it is statut nd ordainit that na ship arriving at the pier ether laiding or losing ly nearer the same nor xii foot. And therfor gife they be requirit be the saids pier masters to wyre ther towes they sall wyer xvij foot fra the shore that ane boat or creal may com betwixt them and the shore and loss or laid under the pain of x lb to be uplifted als oft of them as the Disobey being requirit.

Anent Ballast or redd on the Shoar

Item it is statut and ordainit that na ballast nor redd be casten furth of any ship or crear upon the shore wtout ane saill be put betwixt nor yet na ballast nor redd tane of ths shoar without live of the pier masters under the pain of x lib as oft as they sall transgress this act.

Anent Timber of the Shoar

Item that na nighbour of this brugh awand timber left upon the shoar suffer the same to lie any longer efter the lessing yrof nor xij Dayes upon the shoar. And gife they let the sam ly any longer being requirit be the said pier master or ther officers sall pay for ilk xlvij houres that the sam lyes longer to the uphold of the said pier and Bulwark xx ls.

Anent Shps that is Livered

Item it is statut and ordainit that na ship that is livered or light ly at the shoar they being requirit be the pier master to depart that uther ladin ships may come in ther place under the pain of xx lib so oft as they disobey to be applied as said is.

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Anent wyering of Towes

Item it is statut and ordainit that every ship lyand at the shoar or bulwark wyer ther towes for every ship or crear command in to the shoar they being requirit be the said piermasters under the pain of x lb to be uplifted as oft as they failzie.

Anent nieping of Ships

Item it is statut and ordainit that na ship mep in the master or awners default betwixt the shoar and bulwark for stopping of the entrie of uther shipes under the pain of xl s unforgiven to be uplifted as said is.

Anent Swearing and Perjurie

Item it is statut and ordainit that na person wtin this brugh take upon hand to swear blasphem or commonlie to take the name of the Lord God in vain or bay or execrat in tyme coming. And wha bees apprehendit braking this forsd act that hes money to pay sall for the first fault pay ij s. and they that hes no money sall stand in the brankes twa houres. And for the next fault they that hes money sall pay xx s. and they that hes non sall stand vj houres in the brankes. And for the third fault banishing of this Brugh to both.

Annent Casting of Ballast in the laigh water

It is statut and ordainit that na person sall cast furth of ship boat or crear any sand ballast redd or deeming of ship coalls within this laigh water under the pain yt they sall be compellit to take the same away. And also pay viij s to the uphold of the pier and bulwark so oft as they sall failzie.

Anent hurting of the Shoar

Item that gife it bees founding in any tyme coming that any ship lyand at the shoal hurt or skaith the same any wayes that they be compellit to reddisie the said skaith. And also to pay xl s to the uphold of the said shoar so oft as they offend therefore that the skipper and awners bewar that they make fast ther shipes in tyme coming

Anent thrang of Ships

Item it is statute than na ship in tyme of Thrang lay too hir braid side to liver or load at the shoar but hir forship or hir starne under the pain of xx s to be applied as said is.

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Anent Ships that hurts uthers0

Item it is statut and ordainit that gife any chancis to doe uther ship crear or coal any manner of harme or skaith ye skaith and damnag sall be mad and requirit upon the expense of baith the pties that does the skaith and sustains the skaithes equally conform to the sea lawes.

That no anchor be laid wtout the Bulwark

Item it is statut and ordainit that na ship nor crear lay her anchors in the principall passage without the bulwarks that it be in great nister and ane short boyrop thairupon under the pain of x s as oft as they failzie to be applying as said is . And als refunding of the skaith to them that sustains the same throw laying of the saids anchor.

Anent Laying of timbers

Item it is statut and ordainit than a person lay any manner of timber upon the shoar heid for gains the vault road or any other common passags under the pain of x s so oft as they be requirit to take the same away and disobeyes.

Anent Caibells

Item it is statut and ordainit that ther be no lading nor livering nor handling of Caibells In na place within the freedom of this brugh in the night season betwixt ane hour before the sun rising and ane hour after the sun setting. And the disobeyers of this pnt act sall be punished in manner following. That is to say they masters of the shippes whence the caibells ar handlit sall pay xx s to be applyit as said is as oft as the do offend. The merchant resaver or deliverer of the geir being livered or ladned sall pay xl s to be applyit as said is. And sall restor the samine geir to this town to be disponit as the rest. And the pynor that bears the sam geir sall stand and xxiiij houres in the brankes at the Provost and Baillies will.

Anent Melting of Pick

Item that na person presume to hiet pick upon the stair of the shoar or near hand any after work therof under the pain of viij s as oft as they offend.

Anent the Kirkmaster

In the first that ther be ane honest godly and famous man & ane most notable wtin this brugh to be placit and put in the office of kirkmaster. And he to give ane oath for dew execution of his office and that he be obeyit in his office. And anent the pay of the kirk duety that he have summar pas yrupon at lau'.

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Anent Redd in the kirk zearid ordering of the Kirk and Belles Ringing

Item ordained also that under the of xlb that a man in tyme coming carry timber redd stones or Dyicht his mau'll in the kirkyard or within the boundes thair of that non lay the sam in tyme coming under the pain forsaid of xl s. and also that nether man nor woman sall doe ther ayes in the kirkyeard or kirk under the pain of v s or ducking in the sea. And also ordaines the kirkmaster to take the oversight and charge anent the kirk ordering and belles ringing and of all things forsaid toward the kirk and dewties therof and honestie of the said kirk and kirkyeard and the paines of them that sall transgress the said act to be taken up wt all vigor be the kirkmaster.

Anent the Counsell to conven on tuesday in the Counsell hous

Item because it is considerit that the poor & ther actiones hes in tym bygone been frufal and heavily hurt wt cost & expenssis so that be long process the cost and expenss hes been equall or above the principall soume. Therfor statuts and ordaines that the Judges sall recive the complent of the poor first and befor all uthers. And gife the clame of the poor be x s or within And in ane summe not debittit the sam sall be rec'd but bill that the complainer sall require. And gife the parte defender being lauffull warnit and compier not it sall be Lesum to ane officer to warne the parte absent and give him certificatione without ane act. And the officer testifiand his warning be his oath process to pas upon the same likeas they had been chargit be notor. And moreover because the common effeires and ther bussines whilk tends not to any privat mans profit and commodotie does of tyme pas in oblivione is forgot and neglected so that we may daylie see and understand that the common wiell and business of ye brugh is wonderfully hurt and renderit in als meikle almost na man remembers thairon We statut & ordain it that in tyme coming every week on Tuesday at x hour before noone the haill Baillies and Counsell being in the town for the tyme assemble and convene in the Counsell house and ther treat deliberat advise and determine upon the common effieres & bussines ptaining to the common wiew

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And all otyher things being thought expedient for the pnt tyme ane officer to pass and warne the baillies and counsel under the paine of ij s and the names of the absents to be noted & the box set upon the counsel house board for resaving of the said pain the next day that the absents compieres. And the baillies and Clark being in the town sall be pnt at x houres under the pain of iiij s to be applyit as said is for disobedience.

And also that it sall be lesum to any nightbour or inhabitant of this brugh that hes knowledge of any purpose concerning this common wiell to com befor the Bailies and Counsell the said day in the counsel hous and declare his good purpose.

Anent coming to the tolbooth at x houres

Item it is statut an ordainit that for mair expeditione of Justice not hees been usit in tymes past That the Bailles And in speciall the Clark of court pnt and to com be every Judgment Day in the Toolbuith at x houres befor noon And that plies persewars be thair also at xi houres untherwayes ther actione to be uncallit that day. And that certification sall proceed against all plies defendants not comperand immediately efter the striken of xi houres. And they not to be heard gife they com thereafter but to be poyndit from viij s for ther Disobedience because they com not at the tyme appointed.

Anent rerseting of vagaboundes and Banished Persones

Also it is statut and ordainit that the act maid for searching of vagabounds and taking of prevy Inquisition to be put to execution quarterly four tymes in the year. And that ym qlk are convict as unlawfull nighbors and vagabounds and so banished for the same that no man resevitt thaim nor take them in the houses within this brugh and gife they doe the reseater to tyne his

fredome gife he be free & gife the Reseater be unfrie the same sall be banished as ane vagabound and unlawfull neighbour. And gife any man set his house to any stranger or any uthers vagabounds that the seater of the house take caution of the same man or woman to be ane sufficient neighbour & failzand therof that what danger or skaith comes of the unlawfull tennents the mastor or awners of the land sall recompens the same.

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Officears villa

Because of the extortion usit be officears of this brugh qlk take xij p for the lib of all roupod goodes as wiell airship guidis pertaining to the fatherles babes as of the goods of the poor and Indigent Doe ordain therfor In all tyme to come that officer or any uther who sall roup any geir within this brugh sall have for his waig two pennies allennarly poyndit goods exceptit.

Anent ye shoar and oficer to keep the same

Because of great hurt done upon the shoar of this brugh in casting of ballast wyring of shipes and boats towes and roping of coupars fra all maner of goods and fisches cuming be sea and fighting and drawing of qhingers for lack of officeares the saim pass away continually away not punished to the great hurt of the common wealth of this brugh heerfor Statuts & ordaines that in all tymes coming ane officer sall remaine upon the shoar continually from the sun ryssing to the downpassing of the same to execut ther offices when they can apprehend any Coupar or casters of ballast in the harbor or any contraveners of the actes of this brugh betwixt the Chapell craig and the woult that they sall have v s. of the unlaw for ther paines. And every serjeand sall wait hieron his week about as sall fall to him during ther office. And gife they sall be found negligent and absent in execution of ther offices as is forsaid they beand convict in the same the said faulty officer sall be dischargit of his office and an uther put in his place.

Anent fornication

In consideration that fornication and huredome continues encreasses in this brugh daylie and that it ceases not for the paine of oppen repentance We statut and ordaines qt any man or woman bees nottit with fornication and it proven upon them that the magistrates and judges sall put them in prison two dayes and two nightes and thereafter both man and woman to com & make ther opin repentance as befor and because the woman as sometimes great with child afor the fact be nottit and spyit and yrfor will understand ther is perrill to presum or handle them. In that caise the sd woman sall be banished the toun for the space of ane zear, and thereafter not to be recd wtin yis brugh until she com & declair oppin repentance.

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Anent drunkards

And for samikle as we know to be the command of god that ther sall not be any drunkards and blasphemers of his holy name among his people We therfor statute anmd ordaines that gife any man be apprehended in drunkennese and notit so with the same The sam man sall pay gife he be responsall and have gier for the first fault v merk unforgiven. And it to be taken up be the Dekynes and Destributit to the poor. And for the second fault x merkes. And gife he be thirdlly notit in the fault he sall pay x lib to the poor. And gife he will not amend but continues therin the Provost and Bailies sall give him ane asseyes of nytbour. And gife he bees convictit he sall be banished this toun for zear and day And sall not be recived wtout his opin repentance.

And the person that hes no gier being apprehenditt in the fault of drunkenness tha sam sall be put in the Thefes holl the space of two dayes and two nights for the first fault. And for the next fault sall remain four dayes. And the third fault the haill week in the said Thefes holl. And give efterward he continues in the fault he sall have ane asseyes of nytbors. And beind convictit sall be banisht this toun for year and day & nor resaved whill he make oppin repentance and the sam act to preceed upon drunken women.

Anent Blasphemers of the holy name of our Lord god

Item ordaines tha gife nay am not woman be nottit as common blasphemers of the holy name of god that the baylies sall give them ane asseyes of ny'bers. And gife they be convictit of it sall for the first fault pay v merkes gife they be able and have geir. And for the second fault they to

be usit as drunkards and the same pain and order to be visit upon them to the uttermost gife they will not abstain as upon the drunkards in the act preceeding qhither y be rich or poor.

Item in consideration that some drunkards within this toun and of some qlk dwelles without and repairs to this toun uses aill and wyn taverns out of dew tyme previly under night And that throw provokers drinkers hurdome & tulzie. And they meeting sickle passé to taverones and aill houses drawes utthers with thaim in tyme of preaching or prayers on the Sundayes and uther week dayes to the great sklander

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Anent Drunkards in tym of Preaching & yr Reciept

of Religion usit within this brugh (blank) of the (blank) to the desire of the same and the common disorder in respect of the persones that keepes houses and table to them. We thairfor ordaines that no man or woman qlk selles wyn or aill within this brugh resett or resave any persones other of this brugh or coming fra land within ther hous and keep table to them that are idle and vain psones herafter in houres at night or in the morning whelk prayers & preaching be done And likwayes on the Sunday in tyme of preaching hereafter. That the same order be bservit and gife any sellars of wyne or aill contravene this act or any uther hostelry within this Brugh be found guilty herein it beais tried and provin upon them the same man or woman or hostler whatsomever sall not be the space of ane zear be sufferit to sell wyne or aill or use hostelry.

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Anent the Coupar Craft

The whilk day the forsaid Baillies Counsell & Dykenes of craftis & commitie at this pnt heid court hes statut and ordainit the actes after following for ye common wiell of the brugh. In the first It is statut and ordainit that fra this day furth all the masters of the coupar craft wtin this brugh make yr salmond barrels good and sufficient and the own mark brunt thereupon. And that they conteen eleven gallonds & oune half at the lest and that the herring and bylling trees be Julie manor brunt with ther oun mark qtain nine gallons under the pain of escheating of all barrels to be maid be them utherwayes nor is before specefiet. And Rot Salkirk hes affirmat this pnt act and actis himself conforme therto except the burning of his marks qlk the saids Baillies hes decerned him to doe under the pain forsaid.

Anent filth

The whelk day the forsaid Baillies sittand in Judgment wt advyse of the counsel Deacons and comittiehe statut and ordainit that na man or woman within this brugh psm efter this day to toun any closets without the flood mark

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Neir this brugh or within the sam bot all to be commit within the flood mark under the pane of putting the man offender in the brankes for three houres and the woman in the cockstoll for vi houres for the first fault. And for the second banishing this Brugh.

Pete Coustomes

Anent Vnfriemen Villa

It is statute and ordainit with advise and consent forsaid for keeping of the priviledges of this brugh and for payment of the Coustomes and dewties ptaining therto And ther apprehension and knowledge may be had of unfriemen using the libertie and profit of ye brugh. And als of friemen vsand agains the Aith and conscience to trafict with unfriemens geir under colour of ther own That all Masters of shippes ether friemen or strangers command to the port of this brugh sall give up ther entres of all goods beand in the ship befor ther Provost and Baillies how soon they arrive at this port. And also that no ship be fraughted within this brugh wtout ane Bailie or the Dean of gild be pnt therat so that tryall may be had who is friemen and wha is not friemen. And who or what skiper or uyers persones that disobeyes this pnt act sall

pay for ilk tyme as they Disobey the saminen of v lib providing allwayes that the saids skippers Merchants and mariners friemen of this brugh be not astricted to pay any mair custome or Dewty. In any caiss be virtue of this act not wes of before. And the pain forsaid to be tane up be the piermaster And applyit to the reparation of the shoar and bulwark.

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Ratification of auld acts wt Addition

The Whilk day it is statut and ordainit be the saids Baillies Counsell and commitie of this brugh that all auld actes and statuts maid theranent for the common wiell will therof at this pnt heed court be ratified approvit openly proclaimed observit keepit fulfillit and put to execution be the Magistrats wtout respect of any persones. And in speciall againe sic persones qlk raises sedition makes tumultes discords troublance Disobedience to the Magistrats and officers of this Brugh ecclesiasticall or civill.

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Anent the Chang of Officers

Item it is statut and ordainit that all common offices of ye brugh sic as Provost Bailles counsell Dean of gild thesaurer kirkmaster piermaster hospital masters visie masters Deacon of the workmen and Sergeands of this brugh be vacatit ilk zear at the feast of Michaelmase And of new Electit and chosin therat. And that the saids officers qlk decline to make compts to the toun of thair Intromsiiiion make the same compts befor the saids feast of Michaelmase to the effect that they may be dischargit of ther saids offices.

Anent the obedience of Discipline

Item the saids Bailles Counsell and comittie be the Touns heerof ratifies and approves the actes made of befor concering the obedience of the ecclesiastical magistrates and ther Discipline in the order of Religion with the addition that gife any person be warnit to compier befor the assemblee and disobeyes the first tyme he sall be convict in the paine maid in the actes of befor. And gife he be warnit the second tyme and dissobeyes the Baillie and officers all take and apprehend him And put him in the stipell ther to remain in ward be the space of xxiiij houres for his saids disobedience. And then not to be lett in furth of ward whill unto the tyme he find caution to compier befor ther Assembly the next weddensday under the pain of ten lib qlk sall be taken up of the severity but favour and applyit to the reparation of the kirk and kirk yeard gif he enters not the said pson ward and notwithstanding give the Baillies and officers at any tyme thereafter may apprehend the disobedient person within the Brugh that they take and put him in the Stipel thair to remaine ay & whill he obey the order of Discipline.

Anent Land Fleshors

Item becuas it is noterly knowen that divers persones in the country and to landward that thifteously steales sheap kyn and oxes and bringes the bukes thair of to sell in the merkat and for covering and colloring of ther thift left behind them at home the skines hydes and heades thei of so that the marks of the same cannot be knowan that awners thair of may be restorit to ther oun. And als because uthers of the saids landwart flesheers

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In manifest defraud of the priviledges of this brugh grantit tharto be our sovraiges most noble predicessors common wiell tharupon they beand unfriemen packes piles and gatheres skines and hydes in great quantitie and makes merchandize selles and transports tharwith to unfriemen expres agains the act of Parliament common wiell libertie and estate of Merchandice that beares charges payes Stents and Exactiones and uther charges to the Authoritie for ther fredome and liberties cause Theerfor it is statut and ordainit that na landwart flesher nor uther psones bringing flesh to sell in this merkat presume fra this day furth to bring any bukes of schep kyn or oxen to be sold in this merkat wtout the same Bukes have with them and ilk ane of them the skin hyde and head presentit also in the mercat. And that they sell the same to friemen on this Brugh and to no uther conforme to the libertie tharof and actes of Parliament unde the paine of confiscatione and escheating of all flesh to be brought be them to this mercat utherwayes wanting the saids skines hydes and heads.

Anent Hukstares

Item it is statut and ordainit that na hukstare wtin this brugh by hereafter in the mercat to top again any foules egges mussiles or cockills under the pain of escheating of the same and dealling thair of to the poor.

Anent ym yt Speaks against the Comon Wiell

Item it is statut and ordained that gife any person speakes or procures agains the common actiones of this brugh And therafter it be founding that he hes other persewit defendit and procurit unjustly that the person whaes foundin sall Tine his freedome within this Brugh and be dischargit of his procuratione in this judgment for ever.

Anent oys in side walls

Item it is statut and ordainit that na neighbour within ys Brugh presume to strick furth of his sidewall or gabaill upon his next nighboures close or housse any bound oys but in maner following. That is to say that the saids oys be only cut in breid and lenth and foot of measure. And that the same oys be stainshout wt yron and glassit. Als that they be of the hight betwixt the nedmost part of them. And the ground lost or folln baith within within lyned wtout the space of eight footes.

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Anent the Merchants

Item it is statut and ordainit Conforme to the auld actes maid of befor that na baxter brouster nor maltman wtin this brugh com or present themselves or be seen in the bear mercat befor the tyme of xi houres before noon under the pain of xx s to be uplifted of ilk ane of the saids psnes failzeand and so oft as they failzie or bes apprehendit be the keepers of the mercat. And also that no landwart man or uthers presenting bear in the mercat presume to oppin ther secks mouthes qhill xi houres be striken under the pain of xx s to be uplifted of them & ilk ane of ym so oft as they failzie.

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Anent Land Flesheores

Item it is statut and ordainit that na landwart flesheor uthers bringand schiep to this Brugh at any tyme presum to sell or roup the samin schep to any person to be transportit furth of this Brugh bot tha the samin be slain. And the Bukes skines and heades therof presentit to the publict mercat according to the actes of Parialment and actes maid within this Brugh of befor under the pain of consfication of the schiep that sall be found to be sold and roupit utherwayes.

Anent false measures

Item it is statut and ordainit that the baillies and Dean of gild take diligent tryall and inquisition of all wrights measures mettes and elvands within this brugh and the person being found to have any of the saids measures wright mettes or elvands wrong or false sall pay for the first fault by the destroying of the false measure weight or mett to the common workes xl s for the next fault tinsall of ther fredome and for the third fault banishit this brugh.

Anent unlaues

Also it is statut and ordainit that gife any person wtin ys brugh be poyndit for unlaues that he comand outread the sam poynd be payment of the unlaw wtin the space of xv dayes after his poynding wt certification and he failzie his paymt sall be dispoint upon and applyit and na mor answer to be to him therof in tyme coming.

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Anent swearing

Item it is statut and ordainit whosomever beis apprehendit comning expecrating swering or blaspheming the name of God openly sall be com incontinent & put an hour in the choks.

Anent Procees

Item it is statut and ordainit that give any pson Inhabitant of this brugh be warnit personally be ane officer at the Justance of his ptie gife he compier not at the day to the qhilk he is warnit the warning being proven warnit be the officer the baillies sall proceed to probation bot gife he be not apprehendit personallie the Baillies sall direct ane act wt rectification upon them. And also that ilk person makand ane bill sall have the copy yrof Ready to be deliverit to his party upon his pties expenss at the sight and discretion of the Judges sittand for the tyme.

Anent Aprysing of Flesh

Item it is statut and ordainit that the Deacon of the fleshers crafts pnt and to com sall appoint two masters of yr craft upon ilk mercat Day who sall be sworn to appryse all skaithes of all flesh in the Land mercat. And they to have for ther laboures of ilk piece of cattell or oxin ane penny and of ilk xi shiep ane penny and this under the paine of xij s so oft as they falsie to be poyndit of the said Deacon and the Deacon to paund the faulter and Dissobedient of his craft for his relieffe.

Anent Unlawes

Item it is statut and ordainit tha the bailies pnt and to com sall dispone with remit not forgive na part of any unlawes to be uptakin of any person brakere and contraveners of the statuts of this brugh. And in spe'ail they dispone not wt the unlaw to be takin of the breakers of the statuts maid for keeping of the order of bread and aill.

Anent Coming to ye Toolbuith

Item it is statut and ordainit that the provost Baillies and clerk be every juditiall Day in the Toolbuith for doeing of justice befor the hour of xi aforenoon under the paine of vi er to be uplifted of the breakers of ys act so oft as they failzie to be destrubutit to the poor.

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Quarto Decembris Anno Domini 1565

The qhilk day the Bailies and counsell havand respect to ther common wiell now neglectit And in spetiall anent the chaiplanries commu'ties of the queir belonging to the township in patronage hes now electit and chosin James Froster John Fotheringhame Baillies Robert Kid and Alexr Kernegy to vesey and resave ane inventor the haill evidents and annuall rents feu mailles and others profits and dewties pertaining to the saids chaplainries. And to caus the said be regard & put in the cumphie kist and moreover to sie that the honest ship be kepping in possession therof and poynding to pas therupon but respect of any persones. Amd to caus the collectors ordainit be the tounship be answert of yr duety promist to ym be the tounship.

Quatro Die mmonsens octobris 1566

Anent the hous Dykes

Also it is statut and ordainit that na person pretend to clym the dykes of the buriall place in tyme coming under the pain of ane unlaw. To wit viij s to be uptakin of any pson so oft as they failzie.

Decimo octavo Die mensis jany 1567

The Renunciation of Tho: Denchars Benifice

The whilk Day the Bailles and counsell being convinit wtin the counsell house ordaines the Collector of the Quens Donatioumn pnt and to be for the tyme to content and pay to Thomas Denchar zearly induring his lifytyme the soume of fourtie poundes good and usuall moe of Scotland at four equall termes in the zear. And this because the sd Thomas hes renuncit and gifen over to the Township and to the said collector all his benefittes @rents profits mailles emoluments & dewties therof as weel that qlk apertinit to the choristars as of his owin pertiments Benefice and Chaplenries.

Anent the Shoar and Bulwarkes

Item it is pntly considerit be the said Provost Baillies counsell and Deakones of crafts & comitie of this Brugh hes found that the hewin shoar and Bulwark of this Brugh qhilks are the prinll pairtes of the policy and common wiell of this brugh are greatly decayit ruined. And able to perish in short tyme throw the qhilk trafect and exchang of this Brugh be sea is able to be uterly Lessed. Therfor and for support of the saids places and policie It is statut and ordainit

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That ilk tune of friemens guides arryvand at this port Qhilkes payes no small coustome whither they be merchand craftsmen Skipperes or mariners sall pay to the reparaione of the said havin bulwark shoar and pier four d, and all uther goods conforme to the tun to pay the said four d.

And sicklike that all owners of shipes freemen of this Brugh that payes not the saids small customes sall pay for the uphald forsaid four BU of every tun fra land in the sd shippes.

And that two Tunes sall pay only four d. And the tune of aill and uther guides and geir wyout exception to pay the said four d. and this pnt dewty to be taken up for the space of twa zeares allennarly.

Anent havin Silver and anchorage to ptain to uphald the Shoar & Bulwark

Item it is statut and ordainitn for the wielfare reparation of the saids shoar and bulwarks that the anchorage hevin silver customes and dewties takin of all strangers and friemen of uther burrowes livering loading & aryving at this port be only applyit takin up and warit upon the said shoar havin and bulwark and never heerafter roupit to any uther use.

Anent shorting of Proces

It is statut and ordainit for administratiione of justice and shortning of proces that gife any person gitting other his lybell or exceptiones to Probatione so that he produce all his witnesses and renunce furder probation That the same Day of his remuneratione the Bailies receiveers of the sds witnesses sall pas efter noone with ther clerk in the Toolbuith and recive the depositiones wtout furder delay.

On ensworn freman

Item It is statut and ordainit that gife any frieman of this Brugh caries with him under colour of his own or transportes fra this brugh any geir pertaining to unfriemen that the offender tyne his freedome for ever within this Brugh. And that it sall be lesum to him to redeem his freedome because he is therby p'mitit and als the common customes therof greattumly defraudit.

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Anent Hukstarres

Item it is statut and ordainitt that the act maid anent hukstares be put to execution in all poyntes with this addition that nane of the saids hukstares be found hereafter to buy or sell within this Brugh any butter chies fish in greal sell foules or egges under the pain of escheating of the samin and banishing them this Brugh.

Item it is statut and ordainit that ilk Baillie of this Brugh have ane autentick copy of the buik of the common statutes for ther informatione and that they should pind na indcertin in exerceing of ther offices.

Decimo Octavo Jany 1567

Collector of the Queens Donation

The whilk day the Provost Baillies counsell and commitie of this Brugh of Dundie being convenit in the toun counsell hous and toolbuith therof hes electit and chosin David Ramsay ther brother being ane of the elders of this congregation & als ane of the counsell of this Brugh to be collector of the Queens Magesties Donatioun notit for the ministrie and poer of the Brugh viz of all lands zeards crofts places aikers few mail and @rents qlk pertines of befor to the friars gray and clarks or gray sisters chaplanes and choiristers of the said brugh and ther

said Collector to inbring the samine to the use forsaid and make compt therof for the space of ane year next efter following.

Queens Donationum

Item it is statut and ordainit that David Ramsay be collector of the Queens Moij; donatioun for uphald of the Ministrie of this Brugh be obeyiny in all and sundrie few mailles @rents fermes emoluments and uthers dewties qlk pertinit of befor to the friers and clark gray sisters cherity Chaplans of the Brugh and that na person resist or disobey the said David in his office forsd under the pain of Tinsell of the fredom wtin this Brugh.

Fieing of Servandes

Mairover it is statut and ordainit that for evading of great anger and trouble that Judges susteens at ilk terme of Martinmass & Whitsunday be servands that makes double prices in ther freing be divers persones ther masters

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Wherupon not only followes the braking of promis but also perjurie and manswearing. Therfor it is statut and ordainit that gife any svand be found making Double promiss hereafter that the half yeares fie sall be payit to the person vanting svic. And also the person maker Double promises sall be put in the cook stole and remain twa dayes of the first fault. And if they be apprehendit failzeing in that fault thairafter sall be banished this Brugh for ever.

Anent Inhibition to Bigging

Item it is statut and ordainit that what nighbour of this Brugh desires inhibitione of ane Bailie to be put to his nighbours wark and biging that he lay in pledg in the said Baillies hands or ever the inhibitione be grantit for the soume of xx s of unlaw to be uplifted of him in cais he be found in the wrang the Baillies and Counsell cuming upon the ground sall poynd for xx s or ever they pass of the said ground.

Poores Box

Item it is statut and ordainit that all unlaws of any wrang done be any maner of person within this Brugh that cross of the said unlaw be disponit to the poor and that every day in Judgment the poors box be presented for collecting yrof & that the hospitall mast have the key of the samine box and the person offendand depart not put of the Toolbuith qll he pay the said unlaws.

Anent Blood or Troublance

Item it is statut and ordainit that who ever commits bluid or troublance within this Brugh that the Bailles tryers of the said Blood and Troublance within this Brugh sall caus ward the person ay and qll he pay the paines qtines in the actes of the toun.

Rouping of Decretit geir

Item it is statut and ordainit the officers poynd of any debt Decretit Incontinent efter the decreating and als that they make no longer rouping of geir nor all to be comprehended in aught dayes viz Weddensday Saturday and the next Weddensday and gife the officer make any longer to tyn ther offices.

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Anent Disobeyars

Item it is statut and ordainit that whosoever beis found commitand any Deferrment or disobedience within this Brugh to the Magestrates that ther names sall incontinent be put out of the Locked buik and never to bruik any priviledge nor freedom within this Brugh in Tymes coming.

Anent Pluckit Geese

Item it is statut and ordainit that qt pson bringing any geise to this mercat pluckit or wanting ther heads or feet under the paine of escheatting of the samin and dealing the samine to the poor and this for evading the stolth of the geess [co]mand in the country.

Dicesimo Sexto Die mensis february Ao 1567

Revealers of the Counsell

Item it is statut and ordainit that gif any person or psones of the Counsell of this Brugh sall verball or oppin ye secreet or communicatione qlk he heares in the Counsall to any maner of person that the person reviler sall never bruik siclike wtin his Brugh in tyme coming as ane mensworne persone.

Anent not asistares of the Magestrates

Item it is statut and ordainit tha gife it chauce the Magestrates or officers of this Brugh qtsomever to be qtenit troublat or disobeyit be any maner of person that incontinent all the nighboures of this Brugh that sall happin to have knowledge therof rise and assist the Majestrates or officers and what nighbour absents himself and takes not pairt as said is sall tyn his freedome and esteemed as ane unfaithfull nighbour in tyme coming.

Dicesimo Primo february 1568

Anent Cadgers

Item it is statut and ordainit on respect of the great fraid and falsit usit be the cadgeares and uthers bringers of dry fisches to this Brugh knit in dozens the great fisches being without and wtin rottin and small codlings & leying and als in regrattin and roupin of the said fisches to the great hurt and defraud of the nighboures of this Brugh and the kinge leages resortand therto. Therfoer that no Cadger nor uther bringers of Dry fisches to this Brugh

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pretend to bind up the sam or sell them bund to any person but louse and oppin that they may be seen and considerit be the buyars under the pain of confiscation of the sam and als that na cadgers nor uthers persones keep any dry or great fisches in any Buithes or houss within this Brugh bot to present them to the mercat ther to remaine continuallie qll they be sold under the paine of confiscation of the samin and that na Cadgers nor uther persones coppars of the fisch pretend to buy or sell any fisches in this mercat but only them that they buy at the fisch boates and in havins and places wher they are slain and then Incontinent thereafter to present ym to the merkat and ther comain and be sold under the pains forsd.

Anent Disputers agt ye true Religion

Item it is statut and ordainit that forasmikle as some vaine curious jngeynes uses to have argument and disput agains the good trew religion and discipline of the Church universally wtin this Realme wherby God and his religion and word is dishonoured and blasphemit and Popistrie with the detestable superstition yrof defendit express against the act of Parliament incurrand yrby the pains continit therintill. Therfor it is statut and ordainit that na person of what estate or degree that ever he be of presoune within this Brugh to make or hold the said arguments or opinions under the paines continet in the saids actes of Parliament and that the Master or awner of the houss wher the said disputationes ar maid or the person that sall hear the samine sall com incontinent to the Baillies and gife up ther names and ther opinions to the effect that they may be delet and punished conform to the saids actes of parliament and gife the said awner of the houss or hearer of the saids arguments reveall not the samine as said is they sall tyne ther freedome within this Brugh ever.

Anent Hukstares

Item it is statut and ordainit that no hukstares wtin ys brugh buy butter or chies in great to top again upon the nytbor or merkat day nor uther dayes befor xij houres that the toun be stakit under the pain of dealling the geir qlk they buy and to pay v merkes to the common wark unforgiven & sichk that they buy

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No egges foules fisches or wheat sell befor the hour of vij and that nane of them top great salt smiddy walles osmond iron corn or straw nor uther mechandise but allenarly sic thinges as pertaines huckstares and nane of them to sit at the mercat cross nor on hie gaitt but at ther doores windowes or closs heads wher they dwell under the said pains.

Anent Mercett Cramers or Chapman

Item it is statut and oprdaint tha na merchant cramer nor chapman stand upon the gait except upon the mercat day allennarly and that with geir cheppit within this realme under the paine of viij s ilk tyme that they be found standing upon the gait.

Anent topperes of Butter and chies

Item it is statut and ordaint that na merchant top meat butter nor chies in ther buithes nor buy meat butter in great bot the bringers of the said butter stand at onie place assignit to him and sell oppinly for the sapce of sex dayes to all nytbours and thereafter who yt buyes the samin in great to sell it of the Samin price pound or two pound as effiers to the buyars under the pain of x s and it to wyit only at the vey houss.

Anent Flesheores

Item it is statut and oprdaint that na flesheer wtin this Brugh nor ther srvands attempt to buy flesh to brak and top upon nytbours upder the pain of dealling of ther flesh found wtin ther buithes together with the unlaw of 6 merkes to our common wark unforgiven also that na flesheer to Brugh nor land bring blawin flesh to this mercat nor collopit or cuted upon under the shulders and that the head of the muttone be brought with the scheapes buik and every buik have the neirs wt the creesh fra the feast of Pasch till Michalmass and that na flesheer bring carion flesh dead in pot nor mire nor in any sickness under the pain of confiscation of the said faultie flesh together with xx s to reparation of the common warkes unforgiven and that all land fleshors be pnt at 9 houres at once to the mercat and that na schiep be sticked down in the shoulders.

Anent Candle

Anent Flesheores

Item it is statut and oprdaint that yr be ba more price takin beywixt the stone of Candell and the stone of Tallow but two s conforme to the actes maid thereupon of befor and under ther paines continit therin

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Anent Coupars of Schiep or Cattle

Item it is statut and oprdaint that na person Inhabitant of this Brugh presum to buy any schiep or cattell coming to the mercat of this Brugh to be roupit and sold again be them to the nyt houres therof but to let and suffer the awners of the sd schiep and cattell slay the sam and present them to the mercat to be sold to the Kinges Leages under the pain of confiscatione of the flesh that sall be found in the possessiones of them qt contraveens this and dealling therof to the poor.

Decimo Quinto die Mensis Septembris Anno 1579

Anent them yt refuses ther offices qlk they ar chargit to accept

The Whilk day the Provost Baillies Counsell & comunity of this Brugh with on voic and consent hes statut & ordaint that when ever any person Inhabitant within this Brugh be comon suffrage & vote is electit be Provost Baillies Counsell Dean of gild Threserour Kirkmaster Hospitalmaster pier Master or comissionar for this Brugh that the person electit & chosin sall except the office upon him and use the sam faithfully according to his knowledge and conscience and recive his oath for that efect. And whatsoever person he be that so refuses or Defere to accept and use his said office efter he be chargit therto sall Incontinent thereafter be ether wardit or poynit whilk he pay ten lib to the commmon warkes of this Brugh and notwithstanding sall not be dischargit of the said office but sall be compellit to accept and use the samin be our Soverainge Lords Cess or wardit whill he accept the samine as the Baillies and Counsell sall think expedient.

Curia Capitalis Burge De Dundie Quarto die
Mensis octobris Anno Dom 1580

Anent maintaining of True Religion

Item in the first it is statut and oprdaint be common consent that our mercifull God have his dew honnor and glorie wtin the bounds of this Brugh and Jurisdiction therof. And that the trew religion Instantly teachet therintill be maintinit and Disciplin execut upon al persons according to gods holy word the actes of parliament and statuts of this Brugh maid of befor.

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Anent obeying of the Dean of gild

Item it is statut and ordaint that the honbl estait of the gildrie of this Brugh be keepit maintained and fortified In all lawes privilegedes statuts constitutiones freedoms and liberties grantit be our soveraing Lord his maist noble progenitors to the estate of the gildrie of this Brugh. And according to the lawes and actes of Parliament maid theranent and that all brether of the said gildrie reverence obey fortifie and assist ther Dean of gild pnt to be for the tyme in all his conventiones Judgments and ordinances according to the comission and power grantit to him as said is and that na man attempt to doe the contrare under the paines continit in the saids privilegedes to be execut upon the offendars but favors.

Anent Woman flytters

Item it is statut and ordaint that gife it sall happin any mens wives or other women that hes money to pay be hard opinly in shamfull flyting reproching slandeering cursing banning or making any horrible ingrations or fearfull blasphemies of the name of God betwixt them and any uther person that the offendar havand money to pay sall stand in the ward whill they pay xl s to the reparatione of the common warkes of this Brugh. And also sall pase to the mercat cross of this Brugh or to the place wher they offended ther nighbour and upon ther knees ask them forgivines.

And the person that hes no money to pay sall be put in the cockstool be the space of three houres in the maist patent time of day and thereafter satisfie the pairtie in maner forsaid.

Curia Capitallis nono Die mensis January 1581

Anent the Discharg of Tinkers

Item it is statut and ordaint that na Treserour of this Brugh pnt or to be for the tyme sall have any power to give Tickets to na maner of person for occupieing of the freedome and libertie of this Brugh but that all sic persones cum in pnce of the Baillies Dean of gild and Threserour and gife ther oathes for trew obedionces to the Kinges Maj: the magistrats of this Brugh Common wiell therof to the Dean of gild of the sam and for obsirvation of the lawes and privilegedes of the

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Gildrie and utherwayes conform to use and wont and so ther names and insert in the lockit buik. And pay therfor according to the constitution uthwayes ther tickets serve for no purpose.

Anent libertie and fredom gevin gratis

Item it is statut and ordaint that wha ever obtain his libertie and freedom of this Brugh gratis be request that his libertie sall indure na linger nor his own life and that his bairnes sall never be entered in the buik for his liberties causse bot as unfrie persones to buy ther libertie as uthers does according to the constitutione.

Anent matters questionable to be judges be the Pvest or Baillies

Item it is statut and ordaint that the actes maid of befor anent the fraughting of schips in pns of the Dean of gild be put to execution with this addition that it be continit in ane charter partie that all matters questionable falling out betwixt the merchand and the masters the awners and the mariners be only Desidit and Judgit be the provost and Baillies of this Brugh renunceand all uthers Judgments and this conform to the actes of Parliament.

Anent Lying of filth

Item it is statut and ordaint that na flesher nor ther servands or any uther peson that buyes fra them the entrells of beastes presum to lay any filth at the flesh stoles on the calsay or at the

common burne or at any pairt therof but that how soon the beast is slain the haill be conveyit away to the sea under ther pain of ane schepes buik or awaill yrof to be deallit to the poor.

Curia Capitalis Burge De Dundie Secundo Die
Mensis actobris Anno Dom 1581

Anent Blasphemy

Item it is statut and ordainit that na person within this Brugh take upon him to swear blasphem or commonly to take the name of the Lord god in vain or cannt or execrat in tyme coming and wha bees apprehendit braking this forsaid act that hes money to pay sall pay for the first fault two s. and they that hes no money sall stand in the brankes two hours. And for the next fault they that hes money to pay sall pay xx s. and they that hes none sall stand sex hours in the brankes. And for the third fault banishing this Brugh to baith. And also that ye offers of this Brugh

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Attend ilk mercat day upon the flesh, fish and victuall mercat for apprehending of the banners and swearers and sall put them in the Toolbuith incontinent. And not suffer them to depart qll unto the tyme they pay the pain forsaid to be applyit in maner following viz the ane half therof to the officer apprehendare and the uther half of the sam to the poor of ye Brugh and that all good nytbors of this Brugh have a box or kuist hung above his board wt ane palin hung therat for correcting the banners and swearers in the oun domestik hours.

Anent ye cornes savin at tho beneath ye gaitt

Item it is statut and ordainit that the cornes qlkes ar vrangously havin benith the gait at the rode and uther grounds properly pertaining to this Brugh be trampit down and the sam keepit in lay for the weel of the common salmond fischings & for the ludges to the seik folkes in tyme of pest as they wer of befor past memorie.

Anent visiting of ye comonlie of this Brugh

Item it is statut and ordainit that the Provost Baillies Counsall and Deacons of crafts every zear upon the third day of May pas throw this Brugh and consider all comunities of the samin as well wtin as without the ports therof. And to consider gife any person hes broken the said comunties nor narrowit the gates wynds vennills passages or any uther priviledges of the sam or appropriat any part therof to them or layand any muddinges without the saids ports upon the touns comunlie. That the saids Provost Baillies Counsell and Deacones of crafts incontinent take order with the seall and offences done agains ye common wiell and or they depart of the ground to cast down repair and make remied therof.

Curia Capitalis Burge De Dundie tenta in pretorio
Ejuser primo Die mensis octobris Anno Dom 1582

Anent Back Dykes

Item it is statut and ordainit with comon consent that all bake dykes of this Brugh be biggit up and reparit sufficiently wher the sam is decayit or broken doune and that the back gete of every tenement be maid sufficient with locks bands & uther necessars within aught dayes next after this hour and the saids zeards be closit every nyt. And that under the pain of viii lib of every nytbour awnare of the saids Dykes and Zeats to be uplifted so oft as

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as they be found insufficient or standing opin in the nyt. And also gife it beis found that any person climes over the saids dykes they sall be put in ward ay and whill they pay viij s to be applyit to the kirk wark.

Anent out Burgesses

Item it is statut and ordainit that all out Burgesses that pretends to be friemen of this Brugh. And insert in the lockit buik com and make residence inhabit and dwell hold fire and fl[ua]ct watch and waird and pay taxationes with the remnant nytbours of this Brugh according to the priviledges and lawes of burrowes within xl dayes next efter this dait certiefieng them that

failzies that at the end of the saids xl days ther names sall be put out of the lockit buik and they be tyn ther freedome simplr.

Anent Deacon of the coalmen

Item it is statut and ordainit that the Deacon of the coalmen or small costumare of this Brugh make ane Buik and qteen yrin the number of all coal boats arryving to this Brugh the names of ther masters and the quantity of yr boates under the paine of tynsall of the said Deacons office.

Anent Bairns sturbers in kirk yeard & brakers of the glasin windowes of ye Kirk

Item it is statut and ordainit that the actes maid anent the bairns that playes crys and perturbs in the kirk zeard and brakers of the glasin windowes therof be put to execution with this addition that what child heerafter bees found braking the sd act thair parents sall be compellit to mend the skaith that ther children commits and also sall pay viij s of unlaw for ilk tyme that yr saids children be apprehendit in the said church zeard.

Anent pties at ye Bar

Item it is statut and ordainit that na pson presume to Injurie Blaspheen or calumniat his pairty Judicially at the bar. Andwha sall be found to doe in the contrare sall pay to the kirk wark five lib by the satisfaction to the parties.

Anent Victuall

Item it is statut and ordainit for avoyding of the gred defraud usid be the bringers of victuall to this mercat havand good & sufficient victuall in the mouthes of ther secks and worse in ye middes and bottom. That na peson pretend to doe the like in tyme coming under the pain of escheating of the sd victuall.

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Anent requestars for ofendars convictit in Troublance

Item it is statut and ordainit that na person of the Counsell of this brugh take upon hand to request for any offendare that is convict in wrang troublance or bluid within this Brugh beand wardit therfor And that under the paine of five lib to be upliftit of his readiest goods that requiests. And that the pain of geving of ane cuff or drawing of ane qhinger be in all tyme coming the unlaw of five lib to be aplyit to the kirk warks. And that the unlaw of all bloodwiets be ten lib to be uplifted of all and sundrie persons airt or part yrof cform to the lawes of the realme.

Anent unfriemen not to be on the Council

Item it is statut and ordainit that na person be admitted to be upon the counsell of this brugh nor bear office within the Toun in tyme coming but he is burges and brother gild of the said Brut. And agrees and subscribes with the order of the gildrie and spetially those psons who are not under Deaconrie.

Anent officers to executing actes

Item it is statut and ordainit that the officers of this Brugh put all actes gevin to them to execution within aucht dayes after the receipt therof. And gif they cannot get execution that they com incontinent to the Bailly of ther quarter and show the caus that remedie may be providit therfor under the pain of tinsall of the saids officers office.

Anent pties & yr prosecutors at ye Bar

Item it is statut and ordainit that na person resortand to the toolbuith if this Brugh pretend to enter wtin the Inner bar therof but only the Provost Baillies counsell and the Clerk. And that the procuratores stand at the bake of the Inner bar and plaid ther actiones reverently as becumes And that na ptie persewar or defendar pretend to com within the uter bar whill they be callit be order and remove incontinent after the calling of ther actiones without the said uter bar under the pain that the persewars action sall not be callit for xiiij dayes thereafter. And that the defendar sall pay viij s for his contempzione & to remain in ward ay and whill he pay the sam.

Anent taking away of the Materialls of the comon warkes

Item it is statut and ordainit that whasoever sall be tryit to take away any maner of stans lyme tymmer clay or any uther materialls qtsomever appertaining to the kirkwark or common warkes of

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this Brugh qtsomever that the person therof sall be accusit as airt and pairt of theft and punishit therfor according to the lawes And the bearer therof sall be scurgit throw the Toun his lug nailed to the Tron and banishet this brugh for ever And what person that ever makes trew advertisement to the Baillies or Kirkmaster of any persones or resettters of the said thift sall have for his laboures xl s. and the psone that knowes the sam and conceals and makes na advertisement thairof sall be roupit and haldin as airt & pairt of ye sd thift.

Anent asistares of the Balles and Officers

Item it is statut and ordainit that when ever any Baillie or officer hes any trouble or contradictione in using ther offices and putting of ther actes to executiones that inqntinent all nytboures of this Brugh that is nearby the sds Baillies and officers incontinent concure and assist with them in using and exercising of ther saids offices against all persones disobedients without exception other of frendship or favour under the pain that the fremen sall lose his libertie and freedome within this Brugh. And the unfremen to be banishit this Brugh for ever.

Statuta subsequencia Lata et publicata In
Burgi De Dundee Sexto octobris Anno 1594

Agt such as make Saill on Sunday

Item it is statut and ordainit that the haill actes maid anent the profaining of the sabath day be holding and keepinng mercats of flesh and fish and uthers viviers therupon and carieing of laids to or fra this Brugh. And anent the resorting to the kirk on the sabbath day and other ordinar dayes apointed for preaching be put to execution against the contraveeners therof wt this Addition that na person Mercht or Mariner pretend to saill or take voadge upon the sabbath day heerafter under the pain of ten lib to be uplifted of every person contraveener hierof. And furder that the day of publict exercise be keepit be all Inhabitants of ys Brugh as percise as the ordinar dayes of of preaching under the pain forsaid. And siclike the actes maid anent persons wha brings

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Infants and bairns under the age if five zears wtin the sd kirk in tyme of sermon or prayers. And anent the psones who ryse and depairts furth of the kirk befor the end and conclusion of the sermon and prayers be put in execution with all severity be admonishing of the persone notit contraveening the saids actes for the first and second faults. And for the third fault be uptaking of ane penaltie of xl s of the person that may pay the sam and be incarserating of the person that may not pay be the space of xxiiij houres on bread and water by and attour the declarationne of the said fault publickly fra the pulpet.

Obedience to Magestrates

Item it is statut and ordainit that the Magistrates of this Brugh both superior and inferior be reverencit obeyit and maintainit in ther offices as becomes And ther Judgment & lawes be only sought be the inhabitants of this Brugh in ane causs. And that the actes maid theranent of befor and siclike the actes maid anent the asisting of Baillies & sejeanes in execution of ther office against all disobedient pesones the actes maid anent Revealers of the counsell be declairing of ther revealers publickly Infamous at the mercat cross of this Brugh And discharging them of all bearing of publict office within the samine during ther lifetyme. And likeways the actes maid anent the slanderers of the majestrates either privile or publickly the actes maid anent sollicitares for offendars be put in execution with all severitie but respect to person feed or favor.

Anent Victuall

Item the forsaid Provost Baillies counsell and comittie be thir pnts ratifies aproves and affirms all actes & constitutions of this Brugh maid of befor for repressing of Dearth of viver within this Brugh and punishing of the Autheres thairof specially the actes maid anent

cowperes and regrators of the mercat of victualls be execut agains all the Transgressors therof this but favores with this addition that in caice any nytbour of this Brugh presum after this hour to buy any greater quantity of victuall within the water of Tay & libertie of ye

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Brugh nor that whilk may serve for the furnishing of his own houss or uthrewayes that be prevention he blok or buy any quantity of victuall fra any stranger and umfrieman in any uther place wha was purposit to have maid mercat in this brugh that in that caiss or any of them he salbe haldin to pay fourtie pounds to the reparation of the comon warkes of this brugh for ilk tyme that this present act sall be contravenit.

Anent Brousterres yt mixes Aill

Item it is statut and ordainit that na brouster be themselves ther tapstares or servands suffer ther aill to be mixt in any sort or the Barrells fillit up of new again efter the first timing thairof under the pain of xx s for the first fault and Dailling of the barrell of aill or the av aill therof for the second fault. The ane half of the saids penalties to the delator and gevear up of the q'traveenar of this present. And the other half to be applyit to the common warkes.

Anent Baxteras

Item it is statut and ordainit that the baxteres of this Brugh bake thar bread good clean and sufficient and dry stuffe. And that nane of the saides baxteres presume to Bake or sell any oat bread within this Brugh under the pain continit in the actes maid theranent of before.

Anent officers

Item it is concludit with common consent that the haill officeares and serivants of this Brugh bear continually ther halbertes upon ther persones. And attend Dailly and diligently upon the Direction of the Provost and Baillies of this Brugh. And that two of ther number continually wait upon the hie street and calsay of this Brugh betwixt the flesch house And the old Toolbuith. And likewayes that the saids officers put all actes & decrettes gevin to them to dew execution within aught dayes efter the receipt therof according to the auld actes maid theranent of befor under the pain of depravation of ther offices for ever.

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Anent prisoners no to bide in ye Counsall hous

Item it is ordainit that the counsell hous of this brugh sal be solely and preciesly keepit for the ordinar and extraordinar conventiones of the Counsell of the said Brugh at all ocasions And to be nane uther use And specially tha na warders sall be Detinit therin in any tyme heerafter according to the actes maid theranent of befor. And becaus the saids actes hes been continually transgressit be the serveands of this Brugh wha hes had the keeping of the kyes of the sd Counsell house in tymes past It is ordainit that the officer of the Counsall sall hierafter have the custodiie and keeping of the saides kyes to the effect the saides counsell hous be maid patent to no uther use nor the convention of the counsell as said is. And in caise the officer of the sad Counsell be found contraveening this pnt he sall be Dischargit of his office perpetuallie.

Anent unfremen using merddice and Craftes

Item it is statut and ordainit the actes maid anent the punishing of persones using the libertie of frie burgess of this Brugh not being recived in that number be put to execution. And the penalties contined in the actes of parliament and actes of burrowes be uptakin of all offendars wt this brugh. Addition that in caise the Deaconof gild suffer any person use the trad of merchandice or that the Deacons of craftes pmit any craftes men to occupie the libertie of free crafts men That in that caise the Dean of gild and Deacons of the said craftes sall be haldin to pay the ordinar statut for ther libertie but any judiciall ordinance and untherwayes be punishit at the Provost Baillies and Counsell.

Curia Capitalis burgi De Dundie 3 octobris 1597

Anent Braking ye Sabath Day

Item it is statut and ordained that the haill actes maid anent the prophanation of the Sabbath Day be haldin and keeping within the libertie of this Brugh of any mercats of flesh fish fruits herbes milk or uthers viveres therupon or carying of Laides to or fra this Brugh be put in execution wt all severitie Be escheating to the use if the poor of the vivores bought and sold upon the said day And punishing of the buyers & sellares and cariers of the saids Laides and the masters according to the saids actes.

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Burgi 2 Die Mensis january 1597

Act anent uplifting & imploying ye onlawes

Whelk Day the baillies Counsell and Deacons of crafts of the sd brugh takand consideratione of the greit oversight of the magistrats of the sd brugh In tymes past In not punishing of malifactors and common contraveniers of the Lawes & Statuts of the sd brut maid for the wiell and quietnes of the haill inhabitants yrof Be uptaking of the pecuniall penalties containet in the sds actes of the readiest of ther goods and gier and applying therof to the particular use grants the same and destinates be the sd Lawes and that be the sd levitie & oversight not only are evill disposed persons upon expectation of furder Immunitie incited and instigat continew in ther wickedness & evill behavior to the disquieting of this Commonwiell bot also the Commonwarks of the sd brut that are appointed to be repaired be the sd unlawes lyes unedified to the dishonnnr of the Magistrats therof and the great hurt of the Commonwiell. Therfor it is statute and ordained yt the bailies of the sd brut this Instant zeir and siclike yearly in tym comming shall be chargit befor the Demission of ther offices to give compt of the unlawes & pecuniall penalties and grin the inhabitants of the sd brugh hes been convict during the tyme of ther offices And be thair authority that they shall cause the collector for the tyme of the sd unlaws and penalties to be readdilie anssert and payed yrof of all persones Indifferently and in caise the sds baillies be found remiss or negligent theruntill that they shall be halden to pay the sds unlawes & penalties of the readiest of ther own goods to the effect the sds commonwarks may be repaired therby according to the prescript of the sds Lawes & that ilk bailie be only chargit wt the unlawes incurrit be the inhabitants of his own qrter. And for this effect it is ordainit that ther sall be maid ane Commoon buke wherin shall be registrat the actis and decreets given againes the qtravienners of the sds lawes qhilk shall be ane charge to the sds bailies in all tyme coming.

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(Signed) Mr Alexr Wedderburne

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And siclik the actes anent the resorting to the kirk to preaching and prayers on the sabbath day and uther ordinar dayes of preaching and publict exercise be execut agains the qtraveeners therof be privie admonitiones to be given for the first and second faults. And give they continue to be publickly admonished and utherwayes punished according to the Discretion of the ministers and session of the kirk. And that na perosn presum in tyme of preaching or prayers to sell any meal aill beir vine or uther drink wtin or wtout ther hous under the pain of xl s. And that the Baillies keeperes of the calsay be chargit be the kirk ilk Moonday in the morning wt ane accot of his office in executing this act.

Anent Backhouses going on the Sabbath Day

Item because ane great number of the Inhabitants of this Brugh ar within Drawin fra the hearing and exercise of the word of god upon the sabbath Day be the oversight qhilk the Masters and awners of the backhouss hes resavit thir years bypast In the saids backhouses upon the sabbath Day to the offence of god and sklander of the kirk. It is therfor statut and ordainit that na master nor awner of the saids backhouses suffer the samin to be occupyit upon the said sabath Day heerafter under the pain of ten lib to the use of the poor for the first fault And for the second fault xx lib And making of publick repentance In the kirk.

Absents fra ye Comunion

Item upon sure Information gevin be the ministers and elders of the kirk that ther is ane great number of the Inhabitants of this Brugh wha Diverss tymes absents themselves fra the comunion and participation of the holy sacraments geving therby occasion and mater to the enemies of the trew religion to speake slanderouslie of this congregation albeit the saids persones be only movit heerto upon light and frivall causes. Therfor it is statut and ordainit tha gife any person heerafter absent himself

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fra comunion and participation of the said sacraments without Declaration of the caus moving him to ane of the ministeres That he sal be rexut and haldin an contraveener of the word and good order of the kirk. And sall be punishit therfor be making of his repentance publickly in the kirk and paying ane penaltie of x lib to the poor.

Anent recepting of vagabonds & banished psones

Item in respect of the frequent repairing of ane great number of harlots vagabonds and malifactors to this Brugh And ther continuall reciept within the sam. It is ordainit that na pson sall reciept heerafter any pson man or woman In service within this Brugh or set to them any hous for ther residence without they pnt ane testimoniall subscrivit be the Minister of the parish wher theylast haunted Declaring them psones of honest life and conversation and bearing the caus of ther removing fra ther last residence under the pain of x lib to be uplifted of the contraveeners but favors and furder it is statut that the conmtreveeners of this act being seen be the kirk that ilk Baily sall be answerable for the executionm therof in his own quarter.

Item upon consideration of the great abuse overseen in the persones of the collectors of the almhouse gevin to the poor within shipes During the tyme of ther voadges who usurping the office of the Deacones of the kirk Destributes ther collectiones at ther pleasur. It is yrfor ordainit the saids collectors upon wednesday Immediatly following ther arivell at his port sall present the collectiones to the ministers and elders of the kirk to the effect that samin may be distributit at ther discretion. Under the pain of x lib to be payit of the Mr of the Shyp but favor.

Anent repressing of Dearth of Victuals

Item the said Provost Baillies counsell and comitie be thir pnts ratifies and approves the old actes and constitutions maid of befor for repressing of the Dearth of vivers wtin this Brugh And punishing of the authores therof specially of the roupares and regrators with this addition

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Ordering the Mealls Mercat

That na persone presum to buy any greater quantity of victuall within the libertie of this Brugh nor that whilk may serve for the furnishing of his own hous under the pain of xl lib to be upliftit of the readiest of his goods so oft as he sall contraveen thir pnts. And for eschewing of the frad used be the sellares of meall wha are chief entertainors of the Dearth therof be not puting of ther meall atoure and togidder to the mercat And in drawing of the mercat place to closs heads on the suith side of the comon gait to the effect they may have meater occasion to prowting ther fraud. Therfor it is ordainit that the said meall sellars sall present ther hail stufte ilk mercat Day befor twelve houres in the mid day. And in caise they be Tryit abstracting any pairt therof and housing the sam befor the expiring of the mercat tyme That the sam sall be confiscat to the poor. And the resetteres therof to pay x punds to the reparatione of the comon warkes. And that na person presum to hold mercat within xxiiij footes to David Clerks Dwelling nor yet within xxiiij footes to the gutter of William Shepards foreland nor of Andron fife under the pain of xx s of unlaw toties Quoties. And furder it is ordainit that na pson to resave or deliver any victuall wt any measure great or small except the measures of the toolhouse under thepain of ten lib. And that they nether presum to sell any maill except upon the ordinar mercat day under the pain forsaid.

Anent spouts on ye hie stret

Item it is statut and ordainit that all spouts and all jawer stones placit in tenements upon the hie streets & vennells of this Brugh be incontinent removit be whatsomever pson awnes therof under the pain of x lib ilk bailly execut his office in his own quartar

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Anent officers waiting on ye Magistrates putting Decreets to execution

Item it is concludit with comon consent that the hail officers and servands of this Brugh bear continuallie ther halbertes upon ther perosn and atens deligently upon the direrctiones of the Provost and Baillies of the sd Brugh and that two of ther number continually await upon the hie street and calsay of this Brugh betwixt the flesh shambells and the old toolbuith. And likeways tha the saids officers put all actes and decreets gevin to them to dew execution within aught dayes efter the receipt therof according to the old actes maid theranent of befor under the paine of depravation of them of ther offices for ever. And funder if the saids officers put not ther saids decreets to execution within the saids space that ther cautioners sall make payment of the contents therof to the pairty at whas instances the sds actes and decreets ar gevin wha sall be decernit therin summarlie the first Dyit they beand warnit & shawing na caus in the contrare.

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Anent these who marris at any Church wt out the toun

Item in consideration of the great abuse laity introductit within the common wiell to the slander of the kirk and defraud of the poor be the granting of Licences & testimonialls to nybors and inhabitants of this brugh to pass to landward kirkes for solemnization of ther mariges qlk they procure partly for culling of ther wicked lives in abusing of that holy band befor the sd solemnizing and partly for defrauding the poor of sik benefit as they may recive of the liberality of the persones wha honors the saids mariages be ther pnce. Therfor it is statut and ordianit wt consent of the ministers and session of the kirk of the sd Brugh that na testimoniall nor licence sall be solemnizit wtin the kirk therof to pass to any uther kirk for that efect wtout the person desirer therof first pay somme of v lib at the discretion of the sds ministers to the use of ye poor.

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of the said Brugh and that the collector the poors Almes be chargit zearly with ane compt therof.

Anent Yobedience to the Session of the kirk

Item becaue it is meant be the ministeres and session of the kirk that in the tryell of caus of importing slainder befor them they found not obedience in mytbors wha ar chargit to bear witnes in the sd caus bot that the saids nytbors qtemtously refuses to compear before the session of the kirk being chargit to the effect forsaid to the delay of Justice & deserting of good caus qlk preceeds only fra this caus. That ther is na penaltie set down be any law qlk the should incur be ther contumary. Therfor it is statut and ordained that all nighbours of this Brugh but respect to persones sall compear befor the minister and session of the kirk at all set tymes and ocasioness as they sall be requirit hereafter be the officer of the kirk under the pain of v s for the first fault x s for the second fault and of publick admonitiones to be gevin fra the pulpit for ther qtempt for the third fault. And ordaines the officers of the sd Brugh to concur and assist the officer of the kirk in poynding for the saids penalties when ever they be requirit under the pain of Deprivation

Anent regreaters of victualls

Item the saids Provost Bailles counsell and comity takane consideration of the great skaith sustinit be poor nybors & inhabitants of this Brugh & uthers his Maj: leges be the oversight of Couperes and regratores of the mercats of viveres within the sam specially of hard fish brought to this Brugh be strangers wha buyes the saids fishes in great quantity befor the veshells and Crears qwin the samin are transportit be dewly entered to according to the laudable custome observit be the magistrats of uther sea ports. Therfor it is statut and ordainit qt the maisteres and awners of the crears and veshills qrin the saides fishes or any uther goods arriving fra uther ports sll be transportit sall present and give up the Inventar of the

goods being therein to the Dean of gild and Clerk of this Brugh before they live any part thereof or deal with any person for buying of the same under the pain of ten pence. And

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That no neighbor of this Brugh presume to buy any greater quantity of the said fishes nor will serve his own house within xlviij hours after the presentation of the said inventory under the pain forsoid. And in case any person after the expiring of the said xlviij hours buyes great quantities of the said fishes that he shall be held within six dayes after the buying thereof to sell the same in dozens or half dozens to honest neighbors for such prices as the same was cost for from the first owner under the pain of v lib. And the contravention of this act to be tryed by the oath of party. And ordaines the collector of the anchorage duties to intimate this present to all strangers resorting to the said Brugh.

Anent receiving Burgesses through yr fathers privilege

Item in respect of the unadvised receiving of sundry persons in the number of Burgesses and brother of gild of this Brugh upon the privilege of their fathers which and that it has been tryed that their said fathers has not enjoyed yr privileges in their own times at the least that they have tint their liberties by the provision and condition of the Lawes and statutes of the said Brugh. Therefore it is ordained that no person shall be received in that society upon the reasons forsoid without he present ane testimoniall subscribed by the Clerk upon his fathers privileges. And because divers persons are by solistation and request of noblemen admitted to the liberty of the said Brugh privily to the hurt of the common weill. Therefore it is statute that the locked book of the said Brugh wherein the names of their sds freemen are inserted shall noways be opened without the Baillies and haill Counsell be present therat. And in case the keepers of the said Book & keys thereof contravene this present that they shall pay for ilk tyme of their contravention the summe of xl lib.

Anent Coall Metters

Item in respect of the negligence of the coalmetters of this Brugh in the faithful discharging of their offices according to the lawes of this Brugh made hereof before. It is ordained that they shall specially observe the Injunctiones following and ilk one of them under the pain of deprivation.

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First that they in their own persones fill and mett their sds coalls and suffer no other person to doe the same. Next that they receive not exact nor more duty for the metting of a criell of coalls nor ane penny. And further that they enter to the livering of all crears and boats arriving within this harbour within xxiiij hours after they be required thereto by the owner of the same if they be not occupied in the livering of other boats. And that they suffer none of their said coalls to be broken with axes or other instruments before the metting thereof and that they shall distribute no greater quantity of coalls after Michaelmas nor ane.

Anent casting red or filth within flood mark

Item it is statute and ordained that no neighbor nor inhabitant of this Brugh cast or cause be cast in any Redd filth or staines within the flood mark at any part betwixt the keall craig and the castle milnes under the pain of v lib to the reparation of the shoar and Bulwark to be uptaken of all contraveeners hereof but favors.

(Signed) Alex. Wedderburn

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Anent advocating from or Suspending the touns Decrees or Stent rolls

Item it is statute and ordained that the magistrats within this Brugh shall be reverently obeyed and maintained in yr offices by all the inhabitants of this Brugh and their judgments & lawes only sought in civil lawes. And in case any inhabitants of this Brugh be found to suspend wrongously any decrees or stent rolls made within the same or to advocate any action from the sds magistrats which shall happen to be remitted again to them it is ordained that the party who contravenes hereof shall pay to the reparation of the common warkes of the same the summe of ane hundred pounds according to the actes made thereanent by the burrowes of this realme & siclike it is ordained that the actes made anent the assisting of the Baillies and other inferior officers in

the execution of ther offices agt all disobedient psones be execut be forfaulting of the freedom of qtsomever pson notit be halding any disobedience and not assisting readily the magistrats & offrs in the repressing yrof wt this addition yt the penalty forsd sal be exactit agains those wha sall happin heerafter to summone any mer'd or inhabitant compeir befor any inferior judges exept consistoriall

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Anent users of false stoupes

Item the saids Provost Baillies and Deacons of crafts ratifies & approves the old actes maid anent the havears and users of false stoupes wtin this Brugh with this addition that ilk havear and user of the sds stoupes sall pay v lib unlaw to the reparation of the comon warkes by & attour the braking and confiscation of the sds stoupes and that no pewterer_psum heerafter to make all his stoupes in sufficient metell and conforme to the Joug and that he stamp his own mettle under the pain of v lib unlaw to be uplifted of the contraveener heerof but favors.

Anent Pitte Coustumers

Item upon sure information gevin to the magistrats of the sd Brugh that the petty customers and ther servants at all occasions exact his exorbitant pecuniall dewties fra his maj leidges for furnishing of firlots to them and perks to the mercates of this Brugh notwithstanding it be prohibited that any sic extortione sould be takin for the caus forsaid. Therfor it is statut and ordainit that nane of the sds pittie custimers not ther servands sall exact any sic dewties of his maj leidges heerafter under the pain of x lib to be payit be the sd pittie customer as wiell for the fault to be comitted be the servands as be themselves. And because ther is great fraud usit be the meall makers hanters to the mercats of the said Brugh be the using of false straike rolls and unstampit meall measors in mercats. Therfor it is ordainit that ilk person wha sall be apprehendit having any false straike rolls or measures in the mercats of this Brugh thereafter sall pay x lib to the reparation of the comon warkes so oft as they sall be apprehendit contraveening this pnt.

Anent Servants yt fies yimselfes to 2 Sundry Masters at onc

Item upon consideration of the frequent complents maid be nytbors and inhabitants of this brugh agt servands who comonly fie themselves at ane tyme to two sundry Mrs or mistresses And therby not only disapoint ane of the pties of ane servand bot gives occasion of striffe and contention to honest nybors to the disturbing of the comon peace of the said Brugh for remed qrof it is statut that if any servand inhabitant of this Brugh be tryit be the magistrats therof to have promittit ther service two sundrie nytbors at ane terme that in that caise that person wha is first conducer of the servand sall have ther service and the uther sall have the fie and bounty payit to them be the servand or the first conducer. And furder the said servand sall be put in the Jouges and remain ther opponly xxiiij houres upon bread and water but favors.

(Signed) M. Wedderburne

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The fourthteen Day of February 1609

Act for ladles pd for pettie coustumor

The forsd baillies counsall and Deacons of crafts hes Declared that all the burgesses and Inhabitants of this brut aught to pay the dewtie of the ladlefull of all victuall appertaining to them sold or bought wtin this brut except it be the forme of ther oun heretage and woodset or grow upon ther oun manyes & steadings.

The thrid of October 1608

Act yt non goe by the milns

It is statut and ordainit that all the inhabitantrs of this brut who shall be lawfully requirit be the takksmen of the common milnes of the brut to bring ther malt qheat or other cornes yrat And that they who notwithstanding maliciously abstracts the samen shall content & pay to the reparatione of the Common warkes the soume of twentie lib money toties quoties by & attour the payment of yr Dry multures and knaveship dewtie according to use and remit.

The fourteen Day of Januarie 1612

Anent that all shipes mak yr entress in the Clerk Chamber pay 6 s pe

Whilk Day the Provost Baillies and counsell takande consideratione of the greit skaith and damage qlk this commonwiell hes sustaint in tymes bygon be the want of ane sufficient Regr containing the entress of all shippes and Crears arryving wtin the liberties of this brut and passand therfra and for controlling of the compts of the piermaster of the sd brut and knowing & trying the estat of the merchants and passingers haiffand guides wtin the sds shippes Crears and Barkes quhidder they be be for burgess and gild brether or not to the great prejudice of the estate of the gildrie wtin the sd brugh. Therfor hes ststuu & ordained that the clerk of the sd brut shall pntly make ane Regr for qtaining of the sds entry and that observing maisters of the shippes barkes and Crears arryvand wtin the liberties of this brugh and passand therfra present ther sd entress in write to the Clerk of the sd brut for the tyme to the effect he may insert the sam in the sd Regr and deliver the sam back to the presenter signed wt his hand to be given to the Dean of gild and piermaster and that befor they brake bulk or pass to ther intenditt voages ilk master under the pain of five lib toties quoties provyding that the clerk of the sd brut take na mair for his paines nor vi s viiiij p for ilk entrie.

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May 7 1613 Magistrates Counsell Deacons of Crafts impose ane Taxation of 2000 lib uppon the Toun for the payt of the Touns Debt ther mentioned. As also another Taxan is laid on March 1, 1614 June 30 1713. The Vicarage is set to Rot, Skibells Reader and precentor of the kirk for nine scors Marks yearly paybl to Thesr of this Brugh and failing of his good pay therof he is to quit this Tack and is only to have for his service forsd 40 Mks fm the Thr and 12 fm the hospitall Mr.

Febry 2, 1619 the Pettie Custome as set at 2520 Merks yearly

Febry 1, 1620 they ar set for 2580 Merks.

Febry 7, 1624 It is statute that no Baxter Maultman nor no other inhabitant wtin this Brut presume to take wtin ther houses or poessions either Wheat Bear Meall or any Victuall whatsoever untill the Pettie Customer be satisfied of the Dewties therof under the penaltie of twentie pounds Scots toties quoties.

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The last of october 1627

Act anent the price of Burgesses

Whilk Day the Provost Bailies Counsell and Deacons of crafts of the brugh of Dundie being fully and solemnly qvienen wtin the counsell house therof Takand consideratione of the great charges qlk they daily deburss in ther common affair and that the common revenues of the sd brut are no way able to defray the same & also qsidering that hiertofor strangers resorting to the sd brut who hes not served a prentship to frie merds or craftsmen therof hes been received and admitted to the friedome of the samen upon als easie conditiones as those who have faithfully served as prentisses. We therfore all of on mynd consent and accord in augmentation of their common csents heerafter Statute and ordained that all such persones as are not frie mans sons or that hath not faithfully served as prentiss Dewly & lawfully to ane frie merd or craftsman wtin the sd brut during the space of four years at least shall in all tymes coming pay to the Threserour of the sd brugh for the tyme at ther admisionne to the libertie therof & incerting ther names wtin the locked gild book of the same the soum of ane hundred merks usuall money of Scotland together with the accoustomat accidents pd of old to these that has right therto.

Whilk act and statute abovewrin the sds Provost Baillies Counsell Deacons of crafts ordaines to be kepted & observed be them and yr successors inviolable in all times coming and in token therof hes subd thir presents wt ther hands as followes.

The Twentie Seconde of October 1633

Anent ye Common Clerk

Whilk Day the Provost Baillies Counsell and Deacons of crafts of the brugh of Dundie being convienen within the counsell house therof Statutes & ordains that all contracts dispositions Charters sasines reversiones procuratories of resignatione and all uther heritable titles of

lands wtin brut be only made be the common clerk of the sd brut and his deutes and be regt wtin the Common court bookes of the sd brut. The sds takand yrfor only the price contained in the tounes table and if any does in the contrair it shall be lesume to the Clerks to take for the whole wryts maid be any pson or psons regrat or bearing registratiene in any other buikes the price set down in the table as if they had made the sam ymselves wt the whilk the Provost Bailies counsell & Deacons of crafts Dispenses & ordaines yt all the sd sasines and other evidents & writs forsd shall be executed & drawen forth be the owners yrof fm the Clerk wtin threscor dayes next after the extending and giving therof under the pain of payt of the Double of the price yrof accustomally taken yrfor Wher anent also the sd Provost Bailes counsell also dispense

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Octr 2 1633 The Provost Bailieis and Councell Colr and Deacons of crafts Statutes and Ordaines that in all times coming that no person who shall be present they shall no way be nominat that year next ensuing to be on the leit of the Bailies of the Brut.

March 7 1639 It is appointed by the Magistrats and counsell that ther be a visitation of the Librarie and that the Inventars of them be drawen up and that yearlie the sd Magistrats and Counsell doe yearly visit them to see if ther be any moulded over or wanting and that Tho. Kuskell have one of the keys of the librarie and that none be lent out wt out his advice and that upon a sufficient pledge to be put in the hands of the sd Kuskell be sg in his hand ay whill the red[del]iverin therof in as good condition as they wer lent.

Octr 31 1637

Is the furst institution of a Kirk thesaurer who is appointed to make account of his intromissions befor the Provost Bailies and Counsell Ministers Elders and Deacons of the Session.

Janr 24 163

Ther is ane act in favours of the Litsters Dated Aprile 27 1590 Ratified.

Janr 30 1643

Ther is ane act of Councell for the augmenting the Common gude of the Toun and keping the Streets clean that the muck be rouped.

August 8 1643

Some persons who did advocat ther actions either as pursuers or defenders and the same being remitted back by the Solrs being for that fault pursued by the Prot Fiscall ar unlawed each of them in the summe of 100 lib and to stand in prison till they pay it.

Octr 8 1643

Alexr Watson yot Merty having bought bears from Englishmen caused the Metsler bring the Bear measure and recd them ther **Lot wth** is 4 pecks on the boll of Difference unlawed in 100 hundred pounds This Scot Merty for the same fault in 100 Merks.

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The seventh Day of november 1642

Item samikle as it is concluded that in tyme to come non be admitted to be burgess but such as shall pay to the Thresourour the soume of ane hundred merks except such as shall serve to ane merchand or craftsman as ane prentise for the space of four compleat years and non coast the Toun sustane any prejudice that it may be knowen who ar prentisses & who not it is ordained that all who shall hierafter claim the benefice to be admitted burges as ane prentise for the soume of fourtie lib shall immediately after his entrie to serve as prentise he shall immediately cause regrat his Indenter in the Tounes bookes and the extrat therof under the Clerks hands for the tyme to be only accepted for Instructing of the same utherwayes that they shall pay the hail soume of ane hundred merkes to the Thresourour.

The Thirteen Day of Agust 1644

Act anent burgesses to pay 100 lib

The Provost Bailies Counsell Collector and Deacons of crafts being qveend in the counsellous for treating of the common affairs takand to ther consideration the great burdens the toun is presently in and for relief of a pt of it It is enacted and Concluded be unanimous consent of all the present counsell & commons that in all tym coming none shall be admitted to be burges and frieman wtin this brut except he pay the soume of ane hundred lib to the Theesorour of the brut for the tyme wt the ordinarie accidents wt this provision that any who shall come and agrie wt this present Theesorour wtin the space of ten moneth after this Dait shall be admitted for payt of ane 100 Merks as also wt this provision that all who shall serve as apprentise to Merd or any of the nine Deacons of this brut to be admitted for payment of 40 lib wt the ordinarie accidents so that they instruct the same be production of ther regrat indentors and ordinarie intimations to be maid hierof be tuck_of drum.

The twentie second of Sept 1646

Act anent William Rodger

Eodem Die the counsell taken to ther consideration that Wm Rodger now on of the Lit to be baillie was somtyme Deacon of the skynner craft Doe now all in ane voice Declair that they have had no regard to the sd man as ane craftsman but as ane actuall trafecting merd who has deserted the sd skynner craft & all benefices may redemid to them therby and this his nomination Doe therfor no way prejudice the libertie of this brut.

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Septr 28 1648

Mr George Haliburton being elected Bailie Protested that he could not be elected Bailie because he was no Merchant Venturer wch protestation the Councell repelled in respect of the constant practice of this Brut who had alwayes chosen the Sones of Merchant Venturers they being otherways qualified and meet and that they have thelibertie of trading when they please.

May 21 1653

Mr Jon Mairten student of Divinities ar St Andrews admitted Mr of the Grammer School and his yearlie fie is 400 Merks Scots payed by the Thr and Hospitall Mr.
The quart payments payable by the Schollars 13 s 4 d ye qrtr.

Feb 19 1674

The afternoons Sermon on the Lords Day and the notts of sermon ar to be executed and ane pairt of ane psalme sung and that the Schollars be examined upon the catechisme either Latin or English as the Mr shall appoint.

Instructions of the Grammar Shol by the Counsell That prayers be made in the English tounge be the Master or Eldest Doctor each morning and evening in the week dayes. And after that all the Scholars convey wt the Mr and Doctors in the School at v in the morning in Summer and 7 in Summer and also after breakfast and at one of the Clock after Dinner.

That the play be seldom granted in noctim and that upon play Dayes the Mr or one of the Drs goe furth wt the schollars be the Magdalen grean and after 8 houres play bring them back to the school and exact ane acco of ther lessons.

That nane of the Latin schollars who have learned ther Construcheons be permitted to speak english wtin or wtout the schoole by ther Mrs or any of ther Condisciples sub pana_yt and that ther be clandestine Captors for that effect and for those that rydes horses & specially in time of Mercat and for those that frequent the shoar Boats or Ships and that the Rolle be called once every Mundie for the chastising of the delinquents.

That if any be found swearing breaking the sabbath day rebellious to ther Mrs' Trowans & in the school fugitives fm Disaplin for ther 1st fault they be publickly whiped for the 2d flogged and for the 3d excluded the school till they find surety for ther better **na**

That those in the Mrs staff be accustomed to harrange upon some subjects prescribed by the Master once in the month

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Oct 24 1664

The Councill taking to ther consideration that the price of ther burgesship is too low therfor they have appinted that hence furth who shall be admitted Burgesse qt shall deliver to the The'r for the Tounes use ane sufficient Musket Bandeleer and pick or else twentie Merks and this by and attour the hundred Merks formerly payed as also if any extra man shall be admitted Burgess he shall be tyed to make his residence heer or if he sall be dispensed with and he shall happen to dye in the Countrie only one of his sones shall have the priviledge by his father.

August 22 1665

Ther is and table appointed of the Jaylours Dewes viz:

For Jaylour fee of a stranger each 24 houres	
It for a burges tha same space	3s 4d
It for booking of a stranger taken wt Caption for 100 lib	12s
And so furth proportionall under and upwards the greatest	
Sum not exceeding	£3
It for booking of a Burgess taken with a Caption for 100lib and upwards	12s
It for booking of each arreastment be vertue of Caption the same summes due conforme to the first booking	
It for the Decreet pronounced for 20 lib	3s 4d
And swa furth proportionally the greatest sum not exceeding	6s 8d
It for each service of ane heir and choosing Curators	12s
It for entring and booking burgesse	12s

Tabke of the Officers Dues

For summonding any person to the Court	8d
For ane charge to make payt on a Decreet	1s
For poinding on a Decreet and Apprising the same at the Crosse	
On each pound value	8d
For imprisoning on a Decreet	4s
For areasting on a Decreet	2s
For ane civill Complaint before the Magisytrates	1s
For Rouping Wt in a house for each lib value	6d
For Rouping at the <u>shoar</u> for each lib value	1s
For ane arreasting on a <u>????</u> order	2s

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For rerixes the rest of the officers Dues

For assisting the Jaylour in Captions	6s
Item ther Due in Rouping of Ships	£1.10s
The Drummers Due for ships	£1.10s
For proclaiming briefs at the Cross	6s 8d
For verifieng the execution therof at the barre	1s
For ringing the Dean of Gilds bell for strangers	6s 8d
For going throw the Toun wt the Drummer to a stranger	12s
For the Drummer and as much to the officers	

Octr 3 1665

It is enacted that if any who caried the place of Ther formerly shall be elected to be one of the five Merctt Councellears that he shall have precedencie in all publick meetings before the Hospitall Mr notwithstanding any pratice to the contrarie.

July 2 1667

Ther was given in a protetsation taken agt the Convention of the Shire at forfar May 30 last agt the valuation of the Touns Milnes in the Rentall of the Shire.

Novr 5 1667

Mr Jon Guithrie Minr his stipend ordered to be pd as followes.

By the Toun Ther	£840 : :
By the Hospitall Mr	97: 6: 8
By the Dean of Gild	35: :
By the Crafts	34:13: 4
By the Sailers	20: :
By the Maultmen	25: :
By the Listers	8: : .
Total	1060: 0: 0

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Octr 20 1668

It is appointed that none gallop through the street upon horses under the pain of three pounds Scots for each Contravention beside the repairing of such accidents as therthron may occurre.

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A midst so many unfortunate Circumstances in a mans life time their is none so difficult to be suffered as that of Losses.

That na king shall understand by understand Lyme eseat have To The right honorable the Earle or pres.

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To the Right Honouereable
The Earle of Dunebiresk [*Donibristle*]

There follows an ink outline of a male head and shoulders and one arm

Song [*pen flourish*]

Gavin one thousand Seven
Hundred & twentie five Years
gavin one thousand Seven hundred
& twentie Nine Years before these
Witnesses George by the grace of god
King of great brittain France &
Yreland Defender of the fath.

David

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Inventor of acts of Counsell yt taken out of the Councill book begun May 25 1669.

It is enacted that no Magistrat set at Libertie any person Imprisoned be vertue of letters of Caption wt out his Maj: letters charging the Magistrates to that effect. Renewed Octr 20, 1685.

May 10 1670 ther ar lawes appointed to regular those in the hospitall consisting of 15 Articles made by the Magistrates and Councell of Dundie as patrons of the hospitall of the sd brugh wt consent of the Ministers therof concerning the admission of the persons to the same and ther behaviour and carriage therin.

June 28 1670 it is enacted that if any person shall maligne any Stent Mr in the Discharge of his office the Maligner shall pay the Double of his stent and be imprisoned at the Magistrates Pleasur.

Decr 6 folio 17 is recorded Dr Guilds Mortification of Bursars in St Leonards Colledge of St Andrewes who is to be children born in Dundie who ar either fatherles and poor or whose parents ar not able to matain them at the Colledge and who ar of best abilities and most hopeful. The Magistartes and Counsell ar appointed Patrones.

March 28 1671 Ther ar severall acts made for regulating the Maultmen as

1. That none cause grind any Mault but at the Tounes Milnes under pain of confiscation of the Mault for the 1st fault and Loss of ther fredom for the 2d fault.
2. That none carry any Mault but on the Tounes horses under the 1st penaltie.
3. that no more be put in a sacker but two bolls and 2 pecks under the pain of confiscation of the super part.
4. that any nighbour may apprehend and make seizure of the grains so abstracted who ar to have 3 lib Scots for each bolle.

Decr 13 1671 That all that get the Burgesship gratis at the Desir of persons of qualitie if they shall set up to be traficowrs in the Toun shall be obliedged to pay 20 Merks to be bestowed on ackers for the use of the Toun.

April 7 1672 There was an act and Declaration under the Shireff Deput of Forfar his hand bearing (*at this point the page is damaged and parts missing Warden read this in another document as "that he bring"*) wtin the Tolbuith of this brugh to Judge Henrie Guidley (*again damage appears warden reads "shall not be prejudiciall"*) to the Tounes liberties as Sheiff s wtin ther bounds.

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Feb 19 1674 Acts made by the Magistartes in relation to the Grammar Schooll to be observed in all time coming comprising 6 Articles to which is added that no Doctor or Janitor be presented but by the Magistrates.

Augt 15 1674 enacted that no inhabitants carry any grindable cornes by the Tounes miln under the pain of consfiscation beside what other punishment the Magistartes think fit to inflict.

Novr 9 1671 Enacted that these who gets ther Burgesship gratis shall pay for the buik upsets 80 merks.

That no unfreemen brew or make mault under the Pain of 100 merks.

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Sepr 15 1679 That ane Table appointed for regulating the officers duoes.

Octr 7 1679 Ane table of the Shoremasters Dewes was made as also instructions given to him and his successors declaring his pouer and how he is to execut his jurisdiction wch last consists of 8 arcles. Fol 129

Aug 9 1680 David Lumisdale is fined in 100 lib for treeding befor he made himself Burgesse.

Aut 25 1692 Act that the clerk give no burges ticket to free mens sones nor prentieses till they pay ther buith upsets to the Dean of Gild or Colector and ordaine the judges to bear that they have pd the same.

Aprile 6 1693 Act that the preses of each Councell subscribe the sederunt and the same be read next Councell day and extended and Insyrt in the Councell book.

April 28 1694 Act made wt consent of the nine treads that During the 15 Dayes that the head Courts ar prerogued the Magistrates and Councell may tak power to mak such laws for the gude of the Brugh as they think necessar the laws wherby encroaching on the rights and priviledges (*paper damaged at this point, Warden claims "of anyIncorporation w'ever either under the gildrie or trades, the said laws to have the force of municipal acts"*).