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Oct? 56. Number of lances and light horse showed at the musters in the counties of Sussex, Surrey, Lincoln, Rutland, and Nottingham.
- Oct. 57. Petition of William Nicholas to Sir F. Walsyngham. Desires letters to the King of Scotland for the restoration of the ship, the White Hart, and her cargo, seized in the Isle of Mull by Lachlan McLane of the Out-Isles of Scotland, some of their men slain and cast to the dogs to be devoured.
- Nov. 7.
Almer. 58. Thomas Viscount Bindon to Leicester. Desires instructions how to proceed with two men, William Hilliarde and Walter Patye, arrested for transporting stolen horses. Patye knows a great number of horse stealers.
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Lambeth. 59. William Herlle to same. Has means to decipher the Spanish Ambassador's actions. The Ambassador's secret means for conveying intelligence beyond seas by a woman, the letters hanging from the woman's waist, next her skin, downwards. The Ambassador dare not negotiate with Her Majesty or the Council before he be first well shriven, absolved, and holy watered, and he has 100,000*l.* to his credit to corrupt instruments for intelligence. Upon Monsieur's coming he breathes nothing else but hot passions of threatenings of wars and revenge.
- Nov. 8? 60. Same to same? Suggests that he should inform the Queen about the Spanish actions; it might do him good. Solicits his lordship to make some end of his suit with Wade.
- Nov. 12.
Middle Temple. 61. John Popham, Att. General, to Walsyngham. Examinations of Jane, wife of William Gryffyth, and of Ambrose and John Gryffyth, touching the resort of Campion and Parsons to their house. Wm. Gryffyth was in the house when it was beset by Mr. Blount, yet was not discovered. Desires instructions how to proceed.
- Nov. 16? 62. Note of such buildings and reparations as have been done in Windsor Castle in the 22d and 23d years of Her Majesty's reign: "first, a new roof made unto the chamber where the Maydes of "Honnor do lye." [*See ante, Vol. cxxxvi., No. 83, where the Maids of Honor desire to have their chamber ceiled, and the partition made higher, "for that their servants look over."*]
- Nov. 17.
Holt Castle. 63. Edw. Hughes, receiver of North Wales, to Burghley. Has paid 400*l.* to the Mayor of Chester and George Beverley for new provision for Ireland, and will pay them 100*l.* more as soon as he can. Has also paid 40*l.* to Mr. Bostock for the old Shire Hall, delivered afterwards to Richard Spencer for building the new Exchequer in Chester Castle.
- Nov. 19.
Salisbury. 64. James Procter to Walsyngham. At the suit of his wife, sister of Daniel Rogers, who being sent on Her Majesty's affairs beyond seas, was now a prisoner in those parts. His ill treatment in prison.