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- Dec. 2. 1. Certificate by Robert Petre, Teller of the Exchequer, of the amount of chested bullion remaining on the 2nd of December.
- Dec. 3. 2. Sir Henry Sydney, President, and the Council of Wales to the Ludlow Castle. Council. Have found it necessary to appoint an officer to be the Queen's Remembrancer in the Court of Wales, of which they desire confirmation. Inclosing,
 - 2. I. Order of the President and Council of Wales for the appointment of a Remembrancer to take a perfect note or remembrance of all suits in that Court between party and party. Ludlow, 30 Nov. 1582.
 - Dec. 4.

 3. John Johnson to Walsyngham. His former letters relating to the staple for wools require speedy consideration. Urges the advantages of erecting a staple for wool in England, and of employing the French refugees. Incloses,
 - 3. I. Certain articles, with reasons to confirm the same, for the erecting of staples of wools in England to serve strangers.
 - Dec. 6.

 Dover.

 4. Farnando Poyntz to Walsyngham. Reports his proceedings in the works at Dover, and in procuring materials for that work. Complains of misreports against him. Began the opening on Thursday last.
- Dec. 6. 5. Pedro de Çubiaur to same. States his connection with the From prison. English nation for fourteen years. Prays him to procure his liberty. Spanish.
 - Dec. 9.

 Paris.

 6. Philip Strangwaies to his mother Mrs. Elenor Strangwaies. His voyage and arrival at Paris. His greatest care is for her and his sister, for whom he could provide well if she wished to come over to him. Has written to his brother Thomas Strangwaies for money.
- Dec. 10. 7. Francis Hawley to Walsyngham. Has not been able to prevent the pirates from frequenting the island of Purbeck: they are his masters. Painfulness of his position. Complains of the merchants of Southampton redeeming ships from the pirates without licence; a Flemish ship taken by the archpirate Purser, and 600l. offered to him by the Southampton men to redeem her.
- Dec. 11. 8. John Johnson to same. Further details for establishing the staple for wools in England, and for reforming of the abuses in the Customs. *Incloses*,
 - 8. I. Reasons alleged for the better confirmation and establishment of a staple to be erected for clothing and drapery of wools in England by strangers, after the manner of the Low Countries.