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43. A general relation of the present state of the town of Southampton ; its ancient trade, causes of its decay by riches and luxury, haunting of pirates, shipwrecks, &c. : " in religion we are " cold, to God we be unthankful, to his Word we yield no obedience."

44. State of the town of Southampton, with the causes of its decrease, decay of trade, &c. Suggestions how it may be much bettered and relieved, by the keeping of two free marts in the year, payment of half customs, or exclusive trade with Spain and Portugal.

45. Report containing the names and number of such ships and other vessels, as to the several ports, havens, towns, and places within the counties, limits, and jurisdictions of this realm of England, by certificates, are known to appertain. Addressed by the Earl of Lincoln, Lord High Admiral, "*To my good Lord Tresorer delyver this.*"

46. Duplicate of the above.

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47. Reasons offered by certain Portuguese Jesuits, seven in number, prisoners at Plymouth, showing that they ought to be set at liberty, and permitted to leave the kingdom. Latin.

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1. Note of imposts levied of late years upon English commodities in France.

2. Note of an Act touching the customs, which strangers born in this realm ought to pay.

3. A Discourse addressed to Sir Fr. Walsyngham touching the unlawful transportation of wool, from various parts of the realm, particularly from Essex and Cornwall.

4. Reasons, on behalf of the city of Chester, to prove that the establishment of a staple for the cottons and friezes of North Wales at West-Chester, would not be detrimental to the town of Shrewsbury.

5. Answer on the behalf of the town of Shrewsbury to the petition and pretences of reasons on the part of the city of West-Chester, to have a staple of the cottons and friezes made in North Wales, to be settled at the said city, with prohibition of utterance elsewhere.

6. Petition of Richard Alvey to the Council. That order may be taken for settling the dispute touching the Master's house in the Temple ; according to the agreement made with Mr. Roper and Mr. Harrington in the lifetime of Chief Justice Dyer. Mr. Kellaway's hard dealing.