food, together with certain old local attributions, such as the 'pride of Peterborough' (103), make up great part of its contents. Blie and Bredeport perhaps and Stamford seem to appear twice (12, 65; 56, 90; and 11, 99). Cord is the staple of two places, Bridport and Warwick (55, 90). Three districts of London come in (5, 6, 7), as well as King's Cross and Westminster (16, 4). One notes mention of the Grahams, Stonehenge, the archers of Wales (?), the furriers of Chester (known from Domesday), the soap of Coventry, the school of Oxford, the ladies of Bury St. Edmunds, the damsels of Hertford, the barony of London, the bachelery of Northampton, and the villeins of Tamworth. The Worcester rymers are very near the Welsh border. There are traces of classification, dress, hardware, food, &c. The last line of the final quatrain is obscure, and I cannot yet explain 49, 51, 54, 56, 62, 79, 83, 88, 91, 92; in a few cases, *e.g.* 62, 83, the text is incorrect. C. BONNIER.

A DIARY OF THE EXPEDITION OF 1544.

A MANUSCRIPT in the Cambridge University library, Dd. 14. 30 (3), contains an account of the expedition of 1544, written by a steward who lived at Lydingetone. The writer gives more detail than will be found in the diary printed in Rymer's 'Foedera,' xv. 52, but his narrative breaks off abruptly at a very early stage.

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The iij day of July ao xxxvj H. 8. the Noble prynce Charles Duke of Suffoke Henry lorde marques Dorsset and Sir Anthony Browen Knyght M^r of the kynges mayeste horssees and of his graces priuye Chamber with dyuers other gent[ilmen] set forth frome Douer to Callys in a shyp callyd []¹ and the sayd Duke of Suffoke caused the m^r of the same ship or the Captayne therof callyd Adam Owtlaw to set in the toppe of the same a flage of Synt George whervnto cam the lord admirall of Englund and y^e admirall of flanders with a xxx gallant Shipes of warre well mand and also well furnesshyd with gons and artelery and welcomyd and salutyd the Dukys grace not onely with plesant and lovyng wordes but also with trumpis shames and shutyng of greyt peeces of ordynances that it was greit wonder to here the greyt noyse of the same gonis and so condutyd the Dukes ship to ryce banke by Calles where as thay of the Castell and also Ryce banke shotte greyte peeces of ordynace and so welcomed the Dukes Grace lyke wyse to Callys whe[r]as he lay of turyeday at nyght fryday al day and of fryday at nyght causyd a trumpe to be sonde and proclamacion to be made euery man to dysloge and to attend appon the Dukes Grace wher as he campt iij Englyshe myles of on Callys in a place callyd Cakewell by peplyng within the Englysshe payle and there Campt Seturday all nyght and of Sonday the vj day of July whe removyd frome thens to a townen callyd whitsonby one the seeseid within the freince kynges domynyon where as we champt Sonday

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monday Twysday Weddynsday Thirysday Fryday al day and of Seturday the xij day of July the Campe Removyd frome thence to Morgyson within vij myles of bullayn and there lay in Campe Sondag monday Tuysday where as our lyght horssemen had dyuers skyrmysshis with them of bullayn and dreve them in at the yattes of bullayn our Englyssemen slewe in the sayd Chase vj freincemen & toke one & ij of our lyght horssemen where slayne.

A seruant of Mr Eldyker for whome as mych none made ²

And of monday the xiiij³ day of July the Kynges mayeste came to Calles aboute the hower of vij of the cloke at nyght where he was ryally receuyd with a greyt number of horssemen and archeres and of tuysday the xv day of July the Duke of Suffoke beyng the kynges leyftenant whent to Calles to his grace with whome whent a greyt number of horssemen of the Campe and there was thursday and of fryday the xvij day of July the sayd lorde leyvetenant with the lorde marshall the lord marquis Dorsset Ryde to bullayn with the number of ccc horssemen cc hagbussheres iij hundred archers and iij hundred pykys to weve (*sic*) the grounde where thay wold Campe before bullayn a certayn number of lyght horssemen and hagbussheres and archeres skyrmyssyd with the frencemen Where as was a hote Skyrmyse for thay of the towen of bullayn Shoyte many peces at our horssemen but thay dyde lyttell hirte to them and lykewyse the hagbussheres but our hagbussheres and archeres shoyte so holy to gether that thei made them of the towen to go backe and so persued them to the yates of bullayne and slue and toke dyueres pesantes of the frencemen at the wyche Skyrmyse was slayen of our men hagbussheres a iij and so the lorde levetenant the lorde marques Dorsset the lorde marshall with there company for thatt day thay retournyd backe to Morgyson and of Seterday the xix day of July the lorde levetenant cavsyd a trump to be sounde vere erly in the mornyng to gyve knowlage to all men to dyslodge and remove which mornyng was som what foule and mysty how be it or euer whe approchyd ny Bullayen it brake vppe so the foyte men came in good array of battell towards the towen of bullayn the sayd levetenaut leying the lorde marques Dorsset with all the foyte that is to saye with ther archeres pykes & byll men who brought them in good array towards the towen of bullayen the lorde levetenant & the lorde marshall ryd afore ryght valyenly to the towen of bullayen with a cc lyght horse men cc hagbussheres and cc archeres who skyrmysshed with the frencemen to suche tyme as the greyte peces of ordenance & a cc pyaneres approchyd the towen the greit gones so shotte to gether that the pyaneres kest vppe trenshey so that all way the greit peces came all ways ner & ner the towen The horssemen hagbutters & archers shotte so to gether that the France horsemen & hagbuteres intred the towen at wych entere ther where dyueres frencemen hagbuteres slaen one Englysseman slaen by a frenche hagbuter who stroke of the englyssemans hede thyngkyng to haue caryed the same in to bullayn but an englysse hagbuter was ware of his doying & shotte the frenceman thorow the body that there he lay for his pryde. This skyrmyse was vere hotte & in maner no frenceman durst appere appon the walles of the towen or at eny

² This word is doubtful, being cut short and torn in the inner fold of the sheet.

³ *Sic*, for 'xiiij.'

bullwarke for fere of our greyt peces and hagbuteres who bette the bulwarkes viz the Greyn and New bulwarke the Churche the faire and greit howsis in the towen that it was wonder to all men to behold. There was neuer no suche assawt sene nor the lyke hayth not be harde of the peple of the towen cryed and fled owt of the other syde by basse bullayen and the see but as sone as our ambossche of horssemen who laye of that same syde slew dyueres and drove them yn to the see. And after certan of the sayd ambusche of lyghthorssesmen ryde abrode in to the countre a bout bullayen and Gatte cc kye and steres and iiije schepe besydes other profytes thay gayte of the foytemen that fled owt of bullayn. This sayd xix day whe campe as nye the towen of bullayn as myght be and wherin campt with Caryges & Gones that whe laye as sure as we have be in bullayn. All this day our gonneres never cest schutyng of there greyt peces. the Greyn bullwarke shotte in to the camp a monge hus & hurte the legges of somewhat and slew horssis and waggyneres and other hurt the sayd day thay of the towen dyde lyttell but shotte the toppes of somewhat of our tentes but hurt thay dyd none other then I haue sayd afore. The Sondag the xx day of July our pyaneres wroght sore a bout there and came within lxxx paces of the walles of bullayen where as our greyt peces where lyed and so shutte at the walles and howsis of the towen that thay brake and browysed them marvelously sore.

The Monday the xxj of July hubberdyen capton of a c hagbutteres approchyd the wache tower standing by the see syde entending to Gyve assawte therevnto and the sayd hubberdyen goyng to the tower was slane by a hagbutter of the tower and incontenent there appon ther issued owt of the towen of bullayn certayn Fraunce horssemen & hagbuteres and other gevyng the alarme our soldyeres as horssemen hagbutteres archeres and morres pykes with suche spede and so earnestly that the frenchmen recolyd in to bayse bullayne where our Englysse horssemen folowyd them in suche wyse that thei entryd in to the towen of bullayne. And the resydew of our souldyores abrode at this skyrmysh enteryd also in to bayse bullayne with myche danger. For the orderyng of what the lorde levetenant sent thether Sir Edward Baynton to haue the cheyf reule of dyueres other gentlemen Captaynes wych where the lorde Jöhn Gray Mr Broughton Mr Caundyshe Fraunces Askew Edmonde Hall and dyueres other hauyng there xv^c men Where for this monday and the next tuysday our souldyeres at the frenchemen and they at hus shotte vere hottlye bothe daye and nyght In the meayn tyme the pyoneres wroght to enclose basse bullayen with trenches ass well for the defences therof as to enclose vppe greyt bulloigne gates that our enemyes myght not yssue owt but with myche danger. but after theys ii days had bothe more rest and also had leasure to serche and ryfull the towen of bayse bulloigne where thay fonde myche baggage as whyeyt baken lynyen and kytchen stuf and somme old ordynance all which for the more parte was had in celleres and walls of the howses next to greit bullaygne the howsis of which to hyde this spoyle the frenchemen brent to saue the goodes before our entere. Wedynsday the xxij of July ordynance was sent to assalt the wache tower. Wher⁴ vppon thay who kepte it perceyved was forth with ylded or that eny pece of ordynance was shotte of in the which was xv

⁴ Written 'w'.

men of warre in maner as peasantes had as our presyneres the wache howse is a long old tower standyng by the see vppon a hyll of greyt lieyght and no stayre to hit but ladders. in it was nothyng but very baggis and vj or vij peces of ordynaunces but smale and vytel to haue serued those feowe soldyures for half a yere.

Thurisdai a trompet came to the lorde levetenaunt from Monsieur de Vandon one of the cheyftaynes of france the cause of whose comyng not comonly declaryd. Ayenst this day our pyoneres had made a trench ayenst the gayte of greit bullaygne towards Mutterell where at the frenche men not a lyttell offended dyd euery day ayenst neynghnt enforced as wee gesse to seke forage for there horssis skyrmysh with our gonners and archeres appontyd to kepe our trenche of which Sir George Carowe had thouersyght for our helpe where in was a Chapell adyoinyng to our trench which defended there gonshotte lyttell hurt on .ether parte but dystrubying of our people for the ffrrenche men in mockery wold cryd bowes to rese our souldyeres in there gonshotte but ordyeres was taken for the stay of our men not to sturre butt uppon comandymnt. fryday the xxv of July the frenche peasantes towards nyght yssued the tow for thaving of forrage for there horsse and cattell where vppon dyueres of our horssmen were sent fourth which kyllyd dyueres of them being hagbutteres albeit slaves and dyuers were taken wherof iiij or v were very bold boyes. at this skyrmysche veale a tall gent of the lorde levetenantes was slayen with a half hake for whome many lamented as good cause.

Seterday the xxvj of July the kynges magestie came to bullaygne and encamped near the wache tower w^t dyueres horssmen vnder a hill syde fro the gonne shott.

Sondaye the xxvij of July a seruante of Mr pastons of the priuy chamber beyng a very talman was slaen with a Culveryn at the trenche being there onely to see whose name was morgayen.

The same daye at nyght a gent and his man with there ij horse were stryken at one shotte with a Culveryn and al among there legges.

All theis iiij days last past our men enforce the makyng of a monte a yenst the towen and our enemyes do mounte a greue bulwerke which is lyke to do myche harme.

Monday the xxviii of July wyldfyre was shotte of both partyes were of lyttell hurt folowyed as ys yet knoen this Sunday nyght there taken in stowketell wache ij horssmen that issuid out of bullaigne.

Tuysday the xxix of July Sir Thomas Poyns and Sr Nyclos Ponynge by the lycense of the kynges maystie accompanyd w^t certain yereshemen and dyueres of there one retynew approchid a lyttell castell yet very strong with in vi myles of bullaygne callyd [] wych albeit well mannyd & ordynanced which was vppon the somons therof yeld uppe. Condycion that their habytances there in myght savely goo with bag and baggage. where in the cattell is esteemed to be of greate value. the keypyng of which is geven to peter Carow.

Weddynsday a gent messenger came frome the French kyng to gyve vs knowledge that he wold feyght with hus.

Thursday Fryday and Seterday there was somme Shotyng with gones and no greit hurte on nyther partie.

⁵ Blank in manuscript.

Sonday the iij of August the greyt gonnes beyng bent vppon iij seuerall partes of the towen they beganne the battery which contynewed so hot that our enemyes beyng in danger of our gonne shotte dyd in maner syldom shotte from the towen.

Monday there apporched a greyt navye of shippes vppon the costes of bullayne but whense they ar yt is not yet perfectly knowen but it is tought that be of ye spanysh fleit.

Tuysday Sr Anthony brown w^t iij^c foyte men and iij^c horsemen havng ij peces of greit of ordynaunces marchid erly in the mornng to assault an abbay defended with frenchemen of warre, and also to Scowre the woodes abouth the same where appon Saterday last dyueres of our men bouth horsemen and foit men where taken and slayne.

Where the sayd Sr Anthony browen by fier whane the same where in were xxx^{ti} french souldyures and the rest brent and slayne.

This sault contynew styll and dayle our men slayne and hurt emong which one burgoyne survayor of Callys captayn and setter fourth of the pyoneres workes was slayne by a gonne in the chappell trench calling at a lope hole for a goner to shuyt at a frenche man who in the meane dyspatchid him whose deth was myche lamentyd and the more for y^t his devyse being wytty to convay men by trenches was not knowen. passe him ouer and speke of y^e french men that by day issued the towen to our trenchis where they slew one of our souldyeres and hurt ij being of Mr Longs retinew keping that tyme the trenchis.

And further the tuysday the xix of August a cvj Frenchemen sent from Hedyng castell to bulloyn travyld al the nyght xxx englyshe myles a horseback vppon lyttell nagges onely for that way wer a ij myles frome bullayne they left theym tyed together. themselves escaping our scowtes travelyd a fote tyll thay came to our trenches wⁱⁿ ij stone cast of the towen wall where our foite watche espyng them sett fourthe vppone them enforsyd theym to scatter whereat xxx^{ti} where slayne & xxvij were taken and whether the rest fled or entered the towen it is not presently knowen.

Wedynsday and Thursday then next we gave hotte larins to the towen oone euere parte but to cause them to spend a greit parte of there provysion of gonne powther and wildfier.

LETTERS OF THE CHEVALIER DE ST. GEORGE.

Among the Egerton MSS. in the British Museum (no. 1609, fol. 22; no. 1677, fol. 7, 13, 15, 17, 18, 20, 22, 24) are the following letters from the Chevalier, which, if of no great importance, are yet interesting in the references they contain to Jacobite matters and as an illustration of the Chevalier's kindly and courtly nature. Letter I. contains a sensible suggestion regarding the Irish regiments in the French service. Letter II. was written from Avignon three months after the Chevalier's return from Scotland upon the conclusion of Mar's ill-judged and ill-directed rising. It is possible that the *affaire qui me regarde plus personnellement que tout les autres* has reference to the pension