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THE
HUMBLE MANIFEST

OF
Sir *JOB* *HARBY* Knight.

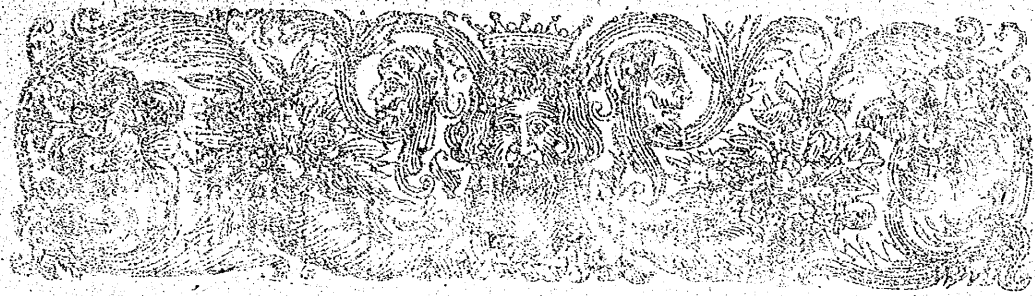
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The manifest of Sir Job Harby Knight, unto all persons, of Honour, who are piously inclined to bear, and Commiserate the oppressed, and especially unto those patient Creditors, who did formerly lend their monies, upon the security of Sir Abraham Dawes, Sir John Jacob, Sir Nicholas Crispe, Sir John Nulls, and himself; when he was unfortunately, made one of the farmers of the Customs for three years, and did enjoy them onely two of the said three years, they being forced to relinquish the third year before they had paid back those monies, which were taken up at interest for that service, and for the payment of their fine to the Parliament.

He publisher of this ensuing remonstrance, doth desire, that it may not seem impertinent, nor displeasing unto any of you, that one of your Debtors doth take the boldnesse to declare, that he did not come into the Customs, with any sinister intent, nor with the least inclination, to defraud you nor any of you, but with a constant resolution, to deal justly with you, & with all men; nor did he foresee such



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uch a suddain ruin to fall upon him, for his receiving those Customs two years, which himself, as a merchant had paid for 40 years before; Neither did he after the disaster was unexpectedly fallen upon him, come to prison (as some persons have most unworthily divulged) to deceive you nor any of you; But did go on paying, as long, as he was able, his full share of such monies as were called in; even to the value, of above thirty thousand pounds, as will appear by the sequell of this (to me) sad story; being out of purse for the said two years Farms, above eight thousand pounds more than any of his afore named partners, and that before he submitted his person to imprisonment, which was in *November 1646*. when he could no longer enjoy his liberty, unlesse he would have dishonestly layd a debt of one thousand pounds with interest upon his friends that bayled him; for at that very time, when the Execution was laid upon him singly by *Master Squire* deceased (being done with the privity, and (as he believeth) at the instance of *sir John Nulls*; he sent some friends unto the said *sir John Nulls*; and unto *sir John Jacob*, to intreat each of them to pay one third part of the debt, those friends offering to pay the other third part for discharge of the said execution: the said *sir John Jacob*, and *sir John Nulls*, did both of them positively refuse the same, although they knew, there was then due unto me from that very accompt above 8000 pounds all the debts satisfied; The narrative of which their unjust proceeding with me, I had then prepared with intent to publish the same, But that I was by some friends dissuaded, who did rationally advise me rather to suffer for a season, then to fall out amongst our selves, before we had obtained relief for the great debt of three hundred thousand and odd pounds, owing unto *sir Paul Pynder* and us, by the late King; for these considerations, and being disabled to recover any part of mine own means, I have endured imprisonment three years and a half, with asmuch hardship, scandall, and disgrace, as if the debt had been properly mine own, But now that the greatest part of my estate is consumed for the payment of other mens debts; And that I daily undergo suits, and reproaches, and (which is worst of all) am continually slandered, as one that deteyneth those effects which should satisfy you, I say, having hitherto smothered my grief, and even wearied out mine own patience, finding no relief as yet from those above us, neither justice nor equity amongst my said partners; and being in all probability at the brinck of my grave, aged above 70 years; I have thought it requisite for the

the vindication of mine own integrity; for the discovering unto you that are Creditors, upon whom you may justly, and securely lay your debts; and for the instructing my wife and posterity, what is become of my estate, and whom to pursue for the same, when I shall be no more; I have, I say, thought upon this expedient in my plain manner to publish the truth in print; rather then by Commencing a suite in Law to protract your satisfaction, and to bring my self to a morsell of bread.

And that you may not conceive that this discourse of mine is undertaken rashly, or groundlesly, I must crave leave, to acquaint you, that I have used all the friendly meanes I could think upon, for the continuance of a right understanding twixt my said partners and my self, yea beseeching them (as if I should have begged for life) to finish the accompts amongst themselves; or to permit some unconcerned knowing persons to examine them, to the end we might equally and justly joyn together, and proportionally satisfy you that are Creditours to the uttermost of our Abilities; And to this purpose I have solicited them, not so few as one hundred times; by word of mouth, by letters, by friends, by strangers, yea even by some of your selves; And at last by declaring unto them, that I might not (without robbing my self and posterity) forbear them any longer. But all in vain, nothing will prevail; they are in possession, And it seems fully bent totally to ruin me and my family, and to give a mortall wound unto my reputation, which is as dear unto me as my life; I am farther to beg your patience, to read the historical parts of the most material passages of our engagements in this (to me) fatal Custom business, as they stand in the register book, and in severall accompts, drawn up by the secretary, book-keepers, and accomptants, some of them having near relation to the Treasurer, *Sir John Nulls*; who is and hath been the chief cause you have not been satisfied long since, as you will discern very plainly by the sequell. For the more clear demonstration, that what I affirm is really and punctually true; I beseech you observe and weigh, these following particulars:

1. To invite and intice me to joyn in taking the Customes, there was an instrument in writing, brought to me, signed by those who made the contract for the farms, with the late king, (and the Lord Treasurer) where in I was named to be the Treasurer, which place if I had supplied; there had not been at this day one penny owing

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to any of you; for a lloon, as the farms were settled upon us, and that I had advanced twenty thousand eight hundred and odd pounds in ready money for 7 shares of the said farms, and that the deeds of partnership were signed and sealed. The Lord Goring, who was the chief undertaker, and had eight shares of the said farms, addressed himself unto me, to assist him with greater sums of money, then I was willing to stand engaged for: when I did plainly and positively refuse him, conceiving that the payment of mine own shares, and the finding money for the Credible performance of the joynt service, would be work sufficient for such a Treasurer, as intended to deal safely for himself, and justly with all men, that should lend their moneys; The said Lord Goring taking ill my refusal, seeks amongst us for one to serve his turn, and at last prevailed with Mr. Nulls (now Sir John) to promise the said Lord his assistance, conditionally to make him Treasurer, which the L. Goring did perform, and did put me from that very place which first induced me to meddle with the Farms: and this was effected the third day of Novemb. 1638. at the Lord Gorings house in Tower-street; At which time, if I could have had my twenty thousand pounds again, and have bin disengaged, I had withdrawn my self and bin freed of the great pressures I have since undergone, but God had not so appointed; I was caught for want of judgement, or foresight and therefore was author of mine own wo. The said Master Nulls (now Sir John) being so chosen treasurer, and 500. li. per ann. allowed him for his intended good service, he being to give security for ten thousand pounds, to keep exact accompts, and deliver them unto the Farmers at all times upon demand; and to pay no considerable sums of money, but by order and direction of the said Farmers, or three or more of them; the very same day were the receipts divided; and the Lord Goring was to have the subsidy of Tobacco, and impost of Currants in London, and the Out ports, &c. The treasurer immediately after, began to lay about him, and under colour of being provided of money for the joynt service, he taketh up at interest all the money he could Compasse, that is to say, thirty thousand pounds more then there was any joynt occasion to use, and did make particular use thereof for the reimbursing himself of what money he had formerly lent the Lord Goring for his own sinister ends as aforesaid; breaking the trust reposed in him, and lending it without my knowledge, and for ought I could ever disco-

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ver, without any sufficient warrant, since I am sure he cannot shew my hand to any such warrant, though my share was the greatest next unto the Lord Gorings; neither was there left any latitude in our articles of agreement to lend any money at all, much less such vast sums, unto a noble man of a fortune so perplexed, as his Lordship was understood to be at that time; The orders themselves speaking no such language, as you may discern by the copie of them drawn out of the Register Book kept by him that was Secretary to the Farmers, the originall, (by Gods providence) is now in my possession, and ready to be shewed unto any person that shall desire to be satisfied in that particular, the dates of the said orders, and the expressions do follow *verbatim*.

18. December 1638.

At the meeting at Sir Job Harbies House.

Present all the Farmers.

IT is ordered, that every particular receiver shall produce a particular of the state of his accompt, and of the money remaining in cash and bonds, taken once every Moneth in London and the Outports; and that his Cash-Book, and bonds shall be ready upon all occasions for the Treasurer or any of the Farmers to oversee: And that every particular receiver, shall pay what shall so remain in cash to the Treasurer, within four dayes after the Treasurer shall call for the same.

That all and every the Farmers shall see the Books of the Treasurer, as well for his Cash, as for any thing else that shall concern the service.

That in case any of the receivers shall fail to make payment of such money remaining in his hands within four dayes aforesaid; and shall not pay the same within four dayes more next after; that then upon notice given (of such default made) by the treasurer to the other Farmers: it is ordered, that the other Farmers shall sequester the receipt of such failing receiver from him: And the said receipt shall be disposed of as shall be thought good by the

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other Farmers or the Major part of them, then resident at the Custom-House or City.

And the Treasurer, is likewise ordered that at the same time of his calling for money from the receipts, he shall generally and equally call for the same from all the receipts without Exception.

And it is further ordered, that the money being so brought, in to the Treasurer, that he shall pay proportionally to every one of the Farmers, as to himself, an equal and proportionable part of their advanced money, untill the sum of one hundred thousand pounds being repaid to them, which sum they have advanced to his Majesty, &c. Which was the substance of what passed at that meeting.

Another meeting, *Undecimo Aprilis 1639*
At Master *Burlamachis*.

It is ordered, that the severall receivers shall deliver in to the Treasurer, at the end of every quarter a particular note of his receipts, his severall payments made in that quarter, And the severall debts made in their receipts, and the persons from whom they are due, that every such receiver may clear with the Treasurer, and perfect his accompt. And if any receiver under any of the Farmers shall give credit to any considerable sum, without the consent of the Farmers, or three or more of them, in whose receipt it falls, shall be answerable for the same.

Another meeting, *27 Die Junii 1639.*

It is this day agreed between the Lord *Goring* on the one part, and the other Farmers of his Majesties Customes on the other part, that the Lord *Goring* shall Farm the whole Subsidie and Custome of the *Tobacco* in the Port of *London*, and out-ports for three years from Christmas last 1638 for which the Lord *Goring* is to pay yearly during the said term to the other Farmers, the sum of nineteen thousand pounds, which rent of 19000. li. is to be paid as it is now received and paid by Master *Thomas Nevet*, by ready money and security taken.

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Another meeting, *The second July 1639.*

It is ordered that there shall be a draught presently made of an assignment of the Subsidy and customs of *Tobacco's* from the other Farmers to the Lord *Goring* at the above said rent of nineteen thousand pounds *per annum*, which rent is to be payd quarterly by even and equal portions by the said Lord *Goring*, &c.

Vicesimo quarto die July 1639. Ordered a Warrant after.

Another meeting, present
} Sir *Abraham Dawes*.
} Sir *John Jacob*.
} Mr. *Crispe*.
} Mr. *Nulls*.

Mr. *Nulls*,

VHereas it is this day ordered by the Farmers, that the sum of ten thousand six hundred and seventeen pounds fourteen shillings and six pence, remaining in cash in your hands shall be divided among them upon accompt, viz. to the Lord *Goring* the sum of teaven hundred ninety nine pounds, seventeen shillings and seven pence, to Sir *Abraham Dawes* for himself and the assignment from the Lord *Goring* two thousand one hundred thirty nine pounds two shillings and five pence; to Sir *John Jacob* for himself, and the assignment from the Lord *Goring* two thousand three hundred sixty nine pounds nineteen shillings; to Sir *Job Harby* the sum of two thousand two hundred and twelve pounds and two pence; to Master *Crispe* the sum of nineteen hundred and seventeen pounds and two pence, And to Master *Nulls* the sum of eleven hundred seventy nine pounds fifteen shillings and two pence, which severall sums we pray you to pay, to every Farmer accordingly; for which this order together with their severall acquittances shall be your discharge.

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Another meeting, being the last which was entered into the Register-Book.

The 15 October 1639. At Mr. Burlamachis House, all the Farmers present.

Whereas the Lord Goring offered nineteene thousand pounds, yearly for the Custome of Tobacco: It is now agreed between all the farmers, that the L. Goring shal have the same for eighteen thousands pounds per an. some reasons being alleadged for the abatement; and Mr. Nulls is to be the Lord Gorings security by the consent and approbation of all the Farmers, and is to have all the Lord Gorings receipts of Custom and impost of Tobacco, as also of Currants.

After this order no register was kept of any more meetings, all indeed being done without order, and without Conscience; for then Sir John Nulls the Treasurer, being also collectour for the Northern Ports, wherein Dover was comprehended, and having griped the Lord Gorings collections of Tobacco, and impost of Currants into his own hands, he continued reimbursing himself of what he had unwarrantably lent as afore said to the said Lord Goring, & connived with Sir Abraham Daves, & Sir John Jacob to receive the sum of nine thousand pounds between them in ready money, as part of the L. Gorings supposed profits; whereas he best knew, there were no profits at all, the said profits being swallowed up, in debts resting still unpaid & the greatest part of the said bad debts being by himself made; witnesse his keeping the Tobacco in kinde, also divers bonds for subsidie of Tobacco to the value of seven thousand three hundred pounds, and his placing to accompt, that exorbitant, unjust, unwarrantable parcell of twenty three thousand foure hundred pounds lent at interest, which sum of money was double asmuch, as all the supposed profits belonging to the Lord Goring for his eight shares could amount unto, moreover he winked at Sir Nicholas Crispe to keep ready money in his hands to the value of nine thousand pounds, and also took unto himself six thousand

thousand pounds likewise in ready money, whereas if he had performed his trust faithfully, as he was obliged under his hand and seal so to do, he should have given a proportionable share of ready money, and a proportionable part of debts unto each Farmer according to his share, and not all the ready money to himself, and his confederates; and to leave me who (at the first) had advanced the greatest share of the ready money (almost) nothing but bad debts, keeping those very debts also in his own possession: onely when this contrivance was made between them for a division, they perceiving, I had not in good and bad debts so much by two thousand and odd hundred pounds in my hands, as to make my division equall with theirs, they caused Sir John Jacob to give me a slight note of his hand for 2212 l. 4. s. 6. d. instead of so much ready money, which should have been payd me the 30 of Septem. 1641 from which very day there was due unto me, as so much ready money short of my division the full sum of seven thousand two hundred and twelve pounds foure shillings and six pence, with interest for the same ever since, whereof I could never procure one peny in payment from the said Sir John Jacob, nor from the Treasurer, Sir John Nulls, notwithstanding all the reasons I could give, nor all the solicitations I could make; All I could possibly effect, three years after, when sir Abraham Daves was dead, and sir Nicholas Crispe was gone, was to obtaine a warrant from sir John Jacob, sir John Nulls, and my self unto Burlamachis, to Calandrini, and other accomptants, to peruse all the books, and to examine and settle the said accompts according to their best skill and understanding, and to report the same unto us with what expedition they could, which they performed in the year 1644. and made the report thereof under their hands in manner and form following, the Copy of which accompt is here set down verbatim.



Mr. *Burlemachi*,

WE are resolved for several Reasons us thereunto moving, to have the Books of the Great and Petty Farmes for the years 1639 and 1640 Audited, and have appointed Mr. *Richard Mountney*, and Mr. *Thomas Murthwaite* to take it in hand with all convenient speed; These are therefore to desire you to give them, or either of them, free access unto the said Books and all other Papers, accounts, and particulars belonging to the said Farmes, and for so doing this shall be your Warrant; This 22. of *May* 1644. And that you or *Calendrini* be assisting to them, and do order or certify what shall be amisse and deliver under all your hands how every thing doth stand,

J. Jacob.
Job Harby.
John Nulls.

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Right Worshipfull,



IN pursuance of your order of the 22 of *May* 1644. We have drawn up the Accompts of the Farmes *Anno* 1639 and 1640 wherein we have (by what we could gather out of the Books and writings produced unto us) set down the true state of those accompts to the 30 of *July* 1644.

As by the said accompt hereunto annexed may appear. In the first place is drawn out the Generall accompt of the Great and Petty Farmes, both for the charge thereof, and the proffits accruing thereby, next an abstract of his Majesties accompt, and the accompt of the severall Farmors interressed therein; And lastly an accompt or Ballance what is owing either to any of the Farmors for the foote of their acompts, or at interst to other men, in al amounting to the sum of 49670 l. 3. s. 11. d. with the accompt of the debts owing by severall men for satisfaction of the said sum. Upon all which accompts you may please to take notice that there is entered *de Bene esse* for the better stating thereof 2986. l. 15. s. 10. d. for three parcels on the Lord *Gorings* accompt of *Tobacco*, and 150. li. demanded by Sir *John Jacob* for charges as by the generall accompt in *Folio* 1. appeareth, Also there is past to the credit of Sir *Job Harby* 4559. li. 17. s. 6. d. for debt in his hands according to particulars now produced, which in former calculations we find was set down but at 1596. li. 14. s. Moreover we are informed that there hath been severall Grograines received by Sir *Job Harby* and Sir *John Nulls*, of Mr. *Edward Abbott* in part of his debt, for which they are to give an accompt; All which we humbly leave to your considerations,

P. Burlemachi

Ri. Mountney
Tho. Murthwaite
P. Calendrini

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The General accompt of the Great and petty Farmes for the years 1639 and 1640 containing the totall charge of the said two years Farmes,

Debitor.

To the Kings Majesty for the rent of the great Farm two years <i>Ann.</i> 1639 & 1640 at 172500. li <i>per ann.</i> amounts to	li. s. d. 345000--00--00
To the Kings Majesty for rent of the Petty Farm for the said two years at 72500 li. <i>per ann.</i> amounts to	145000--00--00
To fundry charges paid out for the said two years Farm as by the particulars in the Books appeareth	74536--15--11
To interest paid out and allowed fundry men for this accom. to the 30 of July 1644 as by the Books appeareth	37619--03--10
For abatements made by the Auditors <i>viz.</i> 27 li. 01. 08. paid Richard Dean of Plimouth and 5. li. 8. s. 4. in other particulars	32--10--00

More for the following parcels, pretended to be due to the L. Goring and Sir John Jacob, but as yet are not entered into the books, because they are not fully agreed upon by the Farmers for present, being here set down *de bene esse* for the clearing of the accompts :

To the L. Goring for custom of Tobacco entred in Anno 1639 and placed to his accompt, but in regard the ship miscarried in the River, no money was received for the same being	li. s. d. 522-16-02
More for Tobacco entred in the year 1639 and 1640 and brought to the generall collection (but as is alledged) did belong to the old Farmers accompt	2063-02-06
More for charges and Sallary, paid out by Master Neuett as by his accompt	0400-17-02
To Sir John Jacob for charges in the Ports demanded by him	0150-00-00
	605325-05-07
Rest to Ballance Gayned by this accompt as appeareth.	53966-19-09½

54000-00-00 divided
53966-00-00 profit
R. 33-00-02½ divided too much.

Summa 659292-05-04½

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with the whole profits accruing thereby, Collected from the Books of accompts and other writings kept for the said busines, and drawn up to the 30 of July 1644. *viz.*

Creditor.

By the totall of the Entries or Collections of Customes for the great Farm Anno 1639 as by the account appeareth	li. s. d. 225771--04--05
By the total collections of the Customes on the Petty Farm Anno 1639 as by the account appeareth amounts to	79227--04--03½
By the total Collections for the Customes for the Great Farm An. 1640 as by the accompt it appeareth amounts to	221914--1--6½
By the totall collections of Customes for the Petty Farm Anno 1640 as by the accompt appeareth amounts to	89927-18-02½

By the Kings Majesty, for Interest and defalcations Anno 1639 *viz.*

For Interest allowed Anno 1639	16255-06-08
For defalcations allowed on the Gr. F.	2168-19-7
For defalcations allowed on the Petty F.	5709-1-2
	24133-07-0-6

By the Kings Majesty for interest and defalcations Anno 1640 *viz.*

For Interest allowed on Gr. F. 1640.	6703-04-00
For defalcations on the said Farm	1418-05-03
For Interest allowed on the Pet. Far.	5493-10-00
For defalcations upon the said Farm	4703-10-02
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The Kings Majestie is Debitor.

To money Paid at severall times upon account of the rent for the years 1639 and 1640	li.	s.	d.
For defalcations, and interest, allowed by the Auditors for the year 1639	447881	03	03
For defalcations and interest, certified by the Auditors to be due for the year 1640	24133	07	06
	18318	09	05
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	490333	00	02

Sir Abraham Daves is Debitor.

For the totall of his collection, all debts and monies received by others taken off as by the accompt appeareth	li.	s.	d.
To Sir Job Harby due to him	122783	06	04
R. Rest due to him for ballance	6639	10	00
	10678	06	09
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	140101	03	04

Sir John Jacob is Debitor.

For the totall of his collection in London and the out Ports	li.	s.	d.
R. Resteth due to him for Ballance	98743	13	11
	2368	15	09
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	101112	09	09

Sir Job Harby is Debitor.

For the totall of his Wine collection	li.	s.	d.
R. Resteth due to him for Ballance	102667	13	08
	7212	04	06
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	109879	18	02

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The Kings Majestie is Creditor.

	li.	s.	d.
By Rent of the Great Farm for the years 1639 and 1640 at 172500. li. per annum	345000	00	00
By Rent of the Petty Farm for the years 1639 and 1640 72500. li. per annum	145000	00	00
By a small difference in the auditors account Anno 1639		2	4
By abatement made by the Auditors Anno 1640 for Richard Dean of Plymouth 27 li. 1 s. 8 d. and in other parcells 5-8-4 in all		32	10
R. Resting due by his Majesty for ballance of this accompt 300-07-10 beside 500 li. allowed by the Auditors as paid Master Smithsby, which is to be made good to the said Smithsby, when it shall be received from his Majesty.		300	07
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	490333	00	02

Sir Abraham Daves is Creditor.

By monyes paid sir John Nulls treasurer	li.	s.	d.
By the remainder of his stock not taken out	115665	03	4
By his dividend of 54000. li. viz. $\frac{6}{36}$ part for his own share and $\frac{3}{36}$ parts for the Lord Goring at 1500. per share	10936	00	00
	13500	00	00
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	140101	03	04

Sir John Jacob is Creditor.

By monies paid to sir John Nulls treasurer	li.	s.	d.
By charges in the ports paid out	84212	12	01
By debts unreceived in London and the ports	150	00	00
By his Divident of 54000. li. profit viz. $\frac{4}{36}$ parts for his own share and $\frac{3}{36}$ parts for the Lord Goring	6249	17	08
	10500	00	00
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	101112	09	09

Sir Job Harby is Creditor.

By money paid sir John Nulls treasurer	li.	s.	d.
By Sir Abraham Daves due by him	87430	10	08
By debts resting in his hands unreceived	6639	10	00
By his Divident of 54000. li. $\frac{7\frac{1}{2}}{36}$ parts is	4559	17	6
	11250	00	00
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	109879	18	02

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Sir Nicholas Crispe is Debitor.

For the totall of his collection in <i>London</i>	} 670 ¹ 7-09-06
For the totall of his collection in the ports	} 52865-15-9 ¹ / ₂
For the <i>East India</i> Company	} 6153-18-04
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	126047-03-07 ¹ / ₂

Sir John Nulls is Debitor.

For the totall of his severall collections	} 121021-00-06
To Sir <i>Nicholas Crispe</i> received of him	} 3000-00-00
R. Resteth due to him for ballance	} 350-00-08
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	124371-01-02

The Lord Goring is Debitor.

For the totall of the <i>Tobacco</i> collection	} 28937-06-05 ¹ / ₂
To Sir <i>John Nulls</i> that he received of <i>John Burch</i>	} 880-00-00
R. Resteth due to him for ballance	} 2120-00-00
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	31937-06-05 ¹ / ₂

Sir *Nicholas*

Sir Nicholas Crispe is Creditor.

	li.
By money paid sir <i>John Nulls</i> treasurer	} 112217-12-08
By sir <i>John Nulls</i> payd him	} 3000-00-00
By debts resting on his collection unreceived	} 458-07-03
By his dividit of 54000.li. $6\frac{1}{36}$ parts	} 9750-00-00
R. Resteth owing by him for ballance	} 621-3-8 ¹ / ₂
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	126047-03-07 ¹ / ₂

Sir John Nulls is Creditor.

By money paid into Cash as Treasurer	} 115576-08-05 ¹ / ₂
By the Lord <i>Goring</i> which he received of <i>John Burch</i>	} 880-00-00
By debts on his accompts resting unreceived	} 1914-12-08 ¹ / ₂
By his Divident of 54000.li. $\frac{3}{36}$ parts	} 6000-00-00
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The Lord Goring is Creditor

By money paid sir <i>John Nulls</i> treasurer	} 18444-04-07
By <i>Tobacco</i> entered <i>Anno</i> 1639 and charged to account but the ship miscarrying in the river no money was received for it	} 522-16-2
By <i>Tobacco</i> entered <i>Anno</i> 1639 and 1640 (as is alleadged) which belonged to the old Farmers Account and made good unto them	} 2063-02-06
By charges and fallery paid out by Master <i>Nevet</i> as by his accompt of particulars appeareth	} 400-17-02
By <i>Tobacco</i> debts resting on his accompts unreceived	} 7300-07-07
By Mr. <i>Nevet</i> for money resting in his hands 28937-6-5 ¹ / ₂	} 205-18-5 ¹ / ₂
By his dividit of 54000. li. $\frac{2}{36}$ parts	} 3000-00-00
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	31937-06-5 ¹ / ₂

Debts owing by sundry persons to the Accompt
of the 2 years farm Anno 1639 and 1640 the
30 of July 1644.

	li	s.	d.
Monies delivered at Interest	23400	00	00
Debts unreceived for the Cust. on Sir John Jacobs acc.	6249	17	8
Debts unreceived on Sir Job Harbyes accompts	4559	17	06
Debts unreceived on Sir Nicholas Crispes accompts	458	07	03
Debts unreceived on Sir John Nulls accompt	1914	12	8 ¹ / ₂
Debts for Tobacco on the Lord Gorings accompt	7300	07	7
Contracted Farmes	1666	13	04
Edward Abbott	2499	10	08
William Curteen	363	00	0
Master Nevet for ballance of the L. Goring accounts Tobacco collection	205	18	05 ¹ / ₂
The Kings Majesty	300	07	10
Sir Nicholas Crispe for ballance of his accompt	621	3	8 ¹ / ₂
Thomas Bushell	21	16	01
William Arnold	40	00	00
John Flood	35	10	11
Divided in 5,0000.li, more then the profit amount eth unto as appeareth in Fo. 1	33	00	2 ¹ / ₂
	49670	03	11

Ph. Burlemachi

Ri. Mountney
Tho. Murthwaite
P. Calendrini.

This man
is son in
law unto
Sir John
Nulls and
one of the
creditors.

Debts

Debts owing to sundry persons by the Accompt
of the 2 years farm Anno 1639
and 1640 the 30 of July 1644.

	li.	s.	d.
To Sir Abraham Dawes for ballance his accompt fol. 2	10678	06	09
To Sir John Jacob for ballance his accompt fol. 2	2368	15	9 ¹ / ₂
To Sir Job Harby for ballance his accompt fol. 2	7212	04	06
To the Lord Goring for Ballance his accompt fol. 3	2120	00	0
To Sir John Nulls for ballance his accompt fol. 3	350	0	8
To Sir John Nulls in accompt of cash	2140	16	03
To sundry persons, due at interest as by the particu- lars entered in the next fol	24800	0	0
	49670	03	11

Ph. Burlemachi

Ri. Mountney
Tho. Murthwaite
Ph. Calendrini.

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Particulars of monies owing at interest to sundry persons the
30 of July 1644. viz.

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Sir John St. John	1200
Michael Chambers	1000
Robert Gouldman	0800
Thomas Squire	1000
Edward de Pluers	0700
Ann Bourne	0500
William Topfield	1000
Gideon de Lawne	1000
Sir Peter Wiche	2000
Josina Calfe	1000
Isaack Thornbury	0300
George Gosnold	1200
Richard Jemmett	1500
Thomas Eglesfyeld	1000
Lucas Lucie	1000
+ Florentine Tainturie	paid 4000
Mary Droman	2000
Anthonie Mafon	0500
Thomas Swinerton	0600
John Gore	0500
William Gregory	0500
Richard & Cornel. Mountney	0500
Emanuel Fenton	1000

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This foregoing accompt being thus stated, drawn up, and certified Anno 1644 And the original remaining in the hands of Pompey Calendrini, and severall copies thereof delivered, one to Sir John Jacob, one to Sir John Nulls, and another to my self, wherein I appeared to be Creditor the sum of, 7212-04-06. As principal mony. At which time Thomas Murthwait one of the said accomptants did cast up the interest, whereby it did also appear that I was Creditor the sum of 625-08-03 Sir John Jacob debtor 463-05-0. Sir John Nulls debtor 505-09-2 Sir Nicholas Crispe debtor 1107-04-09 so that all my said partners were debtors great sums of money for principall and interest, and my self then a Creditor for eight thousand pounds or thereabouts, of which I could never since procure one penny neither from sir John Jacob nor sir John Nulls; but on the contrary part have since paid other great sums of money, being pressed thereunto by their practises, in one payment 1150. li. at the request of sir John Nulls to One Tainturier to keep him from being arrested, he then telling me I was wronged by sir John Jacob and sir Nicholas Crispe, and that he would be a meanes, I should be satisfied my full due, which was his flattering language, untill he had dreyned from me almost all my estate, and then perceiving he cou'd do no more with me by perswasions; he fell down right upon me; and caused me to be arrested by One Bovey to whom I was forced to pay about 700. li. for part of that debt, my share therof being a great deal less: after that he caused M. Squire to cast me into prison as aforesaid, then he heightened the Lady Wycke now the lady Merrick her pressures against me: telling her, Mr. Gouldman and others, that if sir Job Harby would pay his third part, he would discharge his own part: this done, he caused one Shurland to pursue me, as also Collonel Hutchinson with many others too long to be named: telling to one, that sir Job Harby keepeth in his hands that which should pay the creditors, unto others he saith frequently, sir Job Harby doth nothing but talk, he will do nothing, to others, that sir Job is a beggar: with these and other slanders he would feigne make the world believe that I am the cause the creditors are not paid: whereas I do intreate you all to take notice, that I have continually importuned him, and other the partners, to make up accompts: but all without any successe: for it being some moneths past ordered amongst us, that each Farmer should bring his accompt to the book-keeper, to see what every man had payed towards the satisfaction of the creditors in generall: there is nothing at all done therein: Onely I have drawn up mine own accompt, subscribed the same, and delivered it, unto the book-keeper

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keeper the 3 day of *Iann.* last past, wherby it doth plainly appear: there is due unto me for the two years accompt 1228*l.* 11*s.* 7*d.* and all those debts paid: And for the Contracted Farmes, &c. with sir *Paul Pyndar* and others, there is coming unto me for principall and interest 24530*l.* 5*s.* 11*d.* in all I am out of purse the sum of thirty six thousand nine hundred fifty one pounds seventeene shillings and six pence: the particulars whereof appear by the said accompts transcribed here under.

Sir *Job Harby* is Debitor to account of the two years Farmes 1639 and 1640.

	li. s. d.
To Debts received since the 30. of July 1644.	1342-19-07
Resting due for ballance as per contra.	12281-11-07
Summa	13624-11-02

This account above mentioned being grounded upon an account drawn up by *Phi. Burlemachi* (deceased) *Ric. Mountney*, *Tho. Murthwaite* and *Pompey Calendrini*, & reported under their hands the 30 of July 1644. I do in pursuance of v same subscribe (without my prejudice or waving the security formerly specified, in a register book of orders kept for the Farmers; especially in relation to one article of 23400*l.* placed therein, as so much money lent at Interest: for which I never yet saw any sufficient warrant or voucher there) reserving as well that article as all other errors touching *Turkey Grogaroms*, *Tobacco*, or other debts for this accompt standing out, in conformity whereunto I do here set my hand this 3 day of *Janu.* 1649

Job Harby.

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Sir *Job Harby* is Creditor in account of the 2 years Farmes 1639 and 1640.

	li. s. d.
By ballance of my accom. drawn up by <i>M. Calendrini</i>	7212-04-06
By Sir <i>John Nulls</i> payd <i>Mr. Taintury</i>	1150-00-00
By the Lady <i>Wych</i> for Interest	53-06-08
By <i>Tho. Squire</i> for Interest	26-13-04
By <i>Robert Goulman</i>	66-13-04
By Charges in imprisonment and defending of my self } against Creditors belonging to this accompt	500-0-0
Summa	9008-17-10
By Interest of 7212-04-06 from <i>Michaelmas</i> 1641. to } <i>Michaelmas</i> 1649	4615-13-4
Summa	13624-11-02

Job Harby Errors reserved.

Sir *Job Harby* is Creditor by accompt of the contracted

	li. s. d.
Farm from Christmas 1640 to the 25 May 1641	
By an account drawn up by <i>Mr. Calendrini</i>	16594-04-08
By <i>Mr. Smithsby</i> paid him	50-00-00
By <i>Mr. Bovey</i>	180-00-00
By <i>Mrs. Seamer</i>	10-00-00
By <i>George Reavel</i> for interest	20-00-00
By <i>Philip Burlemach</i> and <i>Mr. Calendrini</i>	20-00-00
By Sir <i>Harbottle Grimston</i> Executor to <i>Mr. Harvey</i> } which he stops from me on pretence of a bond } signed by the Farmers	820-00-00
By <i>Daniel Colwell</i> : 20 <i>l.</i> and expences 10 <i>l.</i>	30-00-00
By <i>Ralph Sheppard</i> paid him for defending of suits	45-00-00
By <i>Mr. Bettison</i>	2-00-00
By 7/8 Parts of 1666 <i>l.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 04 <i>d.</i> owing by this ac- } compt to the 2 years Farmes.	347-04-4
Summa	18118-09-00
By interest of 17171 <i>l.</i> from the 25. Dec. 1642 to the } 25 December 1649.	9615-6-4
Summa	27723-15-04

After the shutting up of this accompt, I have payd 10*l.* more to *Mr. Calwall* besides money owing *Ralph Sheppard* for the same accompt.

Job Harby Errors reserved the 3 of January 1649

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Sir *Job*

li s. d.
 Sir Job Harby is Debitor to account of the Acts from }
 the 25 May 1641 to the 25 July 1642 for so much } 5451-07-10
 resting due for ballance as per accompt
 More for interest of the said sum to the 25 of Janu. } 3270-11-00
 1649 being 7 years :

Summa ————— 8721-18-10

Sir Job Harby is Debitor.

This accompt for the Acts and Ordinances were (without my consent) contrived and given in at Freeman house, flat contrary to the currant of receipts and payments, in my books, wherein I made more money paid for the said acts, and charged lesse upon the contracted Farms, how be it for avoyding disputes, I do let them pass, in that very way which *Calendrini* hath stated them: and without my prejudice in the misplacing some articles. I do subscribe the same, to the end that nothing in my accompts may interrupt the right settling of all receipts and payments, in the ballance of this (to me) fatall accompt, dated the 3 of January 16⁵⁰.

Job Harby Errors reserved.

Sir Job Harby is Debitor to account of the Acts for } 8721-18-10
 principall and interest.

Rest due to Sir Job Harby as per Contra. — 3695-17-06

Summa ————— 45673-16-04

Job Harby Errors reserved:
 The 3 of January 1649 due to me

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 ————— 3695 l. 17. s. 6. d. *sterline.*

Sir Job

li. s. d.
 Sir Job Harby is Creditor in accompt of the Ordinance }
 from the 2 of July to the 10 January following for so } 327-08-5
 much resting due for ballance of that account ———
 By the Cofferer in part of his Talley on the said acc — 2000-0-0
 By Sir Paul Pindar the 8 of February 1642 ————— 800-0-0
 By Mr. Vassall ————— 500-00-00

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For interest of the said sum from February }
 1642 to February 1649. ————— } 2031-1-0

————— 5658-09-05

Job Harby Errors reserved.

Sir Job Harby is Creditor By Accompt of the 2 years } 12281-11-7
 Farmes: for 1639 and 1640. ————— }
 By accompts of the contracted Farmes ————— 27733-15-04
 By accompt of the Ordinances ————— 5658-09-05

Summa ————— 45673-16-04

Job Harby Errors Reserved.

the 3 of January 1649

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Since my sending in this accompt, I have many times importuned them that we might fairly and friendly settle all our differences and go joyntly on, hand in hand to the satisfaction of our Creditors, and this done by word of mouth, by several messages unto Sir John Jacob, Sir John Nulls &c. having written several times unto them unto that purpose; the Copy of my last is hereunto annexed but never answered, nor I think never will be; the letter followeth.

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Gentlemen,



I take it this is the first time, that (after promise) I did ever misse to wait upon you, for the settlement of this accompt for the two years Farmes; And were it not that my attendance before a Committee in Parliament, doth now hinder me, I should instead of these lines, have been personally with you. Although I must confesse, such is my apprehension, that all our meetings, yea, and our pursuite for satisfaction of the great debt Owing unto us, will be to very little purpose, unlesse we either come resolved to do as we would be done unto; Or else admit of some unconcerned knowing persons to decide matters in difference between us; and indeed how can we expect to have justice done unto us upon our petitions, so long as we are not inclined to deale equally and justly one with another. For my part I am sensible, and the course of nature teacheth me, that it will not be long, before I must render accompt of my stewardship, even unto the great Judge of all the world; Before whom I do now professe, that I would not willingly wrong the general accompts amongst us, nor any of you in particular, no not, if by my so doing, I might gaine all your estates; In pursuance whereof I affirme, that if by error, or mistake, I have claimed any thing, or shall demand that which doth not justly belong unto me; Let it be made apparent wherein any such omission or mistake of mine is, or may be; And it shall be instantly rectified to the uttermost farthing, both of principal and interest, yea though I should be a loser thereby. It is not meeting by our selves alone, nor Contestations about punctillos, or Circumstances, that will make a just end of our accompts, no nor ever settle any peace amongst us; such proceedings will rather make the breach wider; We have had words more then enough already, and all to no purpose; It is
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action must do our work, that is, to set down justly in writing the true state of this accompts, which may most easily be effected in a few dayes, nay in a few hours, by the Treasurer, and by him that kept the books of accompts; and have had sufficient salary for their pains, if their wills be futable to their abilities; the ground-work lying readily before them, in their own custodie, so as if they two will spend together but half so much time, as we have usually and fruitlesly spent at any one of our meetings, there may be more done in that short space, then we have done in all our impertinent and confused conferences.

And whereas that inconsiderate order of the 30. of September 1641. is Conceived to thwart those deeds under our hands and seals for the equal division of principal and profit upon the Farmes; groundlesly inferring, that the division then made was atwel upon the stock, as upon the supposed gain; It doth contrarily and plainly appear, that at the time when this order was made; none of you three had one peny of principal stock remaining undivided, each of you having had his whole principal before; only *Sr Abraham Daves* was a Creditor; & my self; for so many wine Merchants bonds as were then known to be desperate, and were left in my hands as part of my principal; however that very order so much insisted upon, doth speak plainly, that the said division should be equally made, and that who hath more then his proportion, should pay presently unto the other that should come short, so that every thing might be justly stated and cleared; and withall, that if the remainder of the stock, should not come in to satisfie the debts, every one should rateably repay so much of the said division, as should discharge the same. Which taken for granted, there was due to me seven thousand two hundred and odd pounds, as appeareth by the accompts drawn up and subscribed by your own accomptants in *July. 1644.* All the debts paid, there remaining in the treasurers hands a great part of the tobacco, and never yet accompted for. Now Gentlemen, having thus far really and truely related the state of our unhappy partnership; I do leave it to your selves to choose whether you will accompt from the very beginning of our undertaking the Customes; or to take the rise from those accompts drawn up in 1644. In one of which two waies I do beseech you in such manner to settle those accompts

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as may stand with the discharg of your own consciences; and the clearing of your integrities to the world; without which no inventions nor protraction can cleare you, neither before God nor man. I do now call to minde a speech used unto me by one of you upon the Exchange, at our very first entrance into this (to me) fatal negotiation, *id est*. That the old farmers would be too hard for us; and I do also remember my own reply, (with which I shall conclude this scrole) that we would be too hard for them; my intent being to do nothing but what should become an honest man. This was my tenent at the first, and God willing shall be whilest breath is in my body. Onely this I adde, that without some settlement of the accompts between us; I shall not be capable to assist you at all neither in payment of the old debts, nor with any new supply towards the procuring of satisfaction for the great debt due unto us from the late King: but if you will please to order the just liquidation of the said accompts (though my condition be the poorest amongst you) I shall hope to finde friends so as to satisfie my full proportion of what sum soever shall be concluded between the creditors aswell for the two years as the contracted farmes; So wishing friendship and praying God to direct you and me for the best, I take leave and rest

March the 13. 1649.
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At your service
Job Harby

The way to settle this accompt justly and equally is to appoint Mr. *Calandrini* to make a new estimate of profit and losse, and then to divide as well the good as the bad matter equally according to each mans proportion, and then there can be no wrong to any man; but to give all the mony unto one, and all the bad debts to another is most abominable injustice.

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And notwithstanding all these passages, the truth whereof I shall make good (upon my life) they will do nothing, but backbite me, and daily slander me to the Creditors, and others, with such other provocations; that I being but a worme, made of flesh and blood can no longer digest, nor forbear the publishing of this my last refuge, wanting any other means to support me in this great and bitter affliction, all which particulars Comprehended in as short a compasse as my declining Genius could contract them; I do conclude with my hearty request unto all those I am indebted unto for these partable accompts of the farmes: As followeth.

That you will seriously observe these particulars as, followeth.

1. That the debts owing unto you for the two years farmes, is but twenty thousand pounds at the most; secondly, that the very same accompt oweth me twelve thousand pounds, thirdly, that for some of those debts (by the Art of *Sir John Nulls*) I have lain prisoner three years, and a half; fourthly, that the said *Sir John Nulls* as Treasurer did take up at interest and lent more of these monyes without any sufficient warrant then would have paid all these debts unto you and me, and moreover doth keep in his hands, bonds, and security, to a far greater value, although he be tyed in equity, and by the Farmers joynt order, with his owne consent to be the Lord *Goring's* security, and had the receipts of Tobacco, and Currants for his indemnity; he having lost nothing by the said Farmes, but hath clearly gained thereby, 7 or 8000. li. And is best able to pay the said debts; fifthly, *Sir John Jacob* doth owe me upon that score 2200. li. with interest ever since January. 1641. and never payd me, one peny principal nor interest; howbeit these two persons have made it all their work to keepe me prisoner 3. years, for those very debts which properly belong to themselves.

In tender Consideration of the premises, and for that all my said partners in the two years farmes, are gainers, and my self onely a great loser; you will please, that I may be no further prosecuted for those debts belonging thereunto; but that I may be set at liberty, to joyne with you as a Creditor in the pursuit of those owr persons afore named, who do wrongfully keep our means from us, and yet have visible estates sufficient to pay.

The Aprill 1650. *Job Harby*.

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