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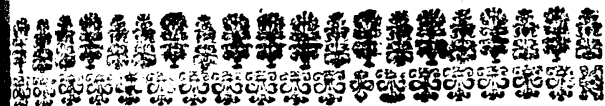
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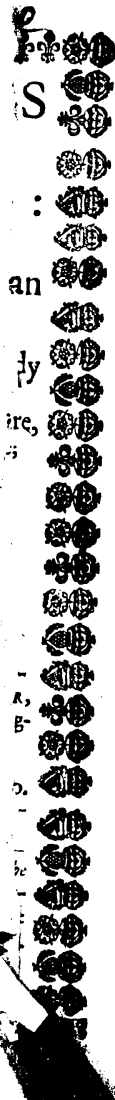
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copy them. The Heads of them were such as appeare in  
 other Papers herewith sent. Our Commissioners propound  
 to them also certaine conditions, the true Coppy whereof I  
 here also, offering a Coppy to the enemies to carry into York  
 be considered of, and after to return Answer. The enemies Com  
 missioners would not accept the Paper, but scornfully & pro  
 ly said, They were to show their condition, and much other pro  
 language, which I know now write: so the Commissioners per  
 ted. But when General *Lesly* heard that the adversaries Com  
 missioners refused to take the Paper containing the Conditions, he  
 presently closed the Paper in a Letter to the Marquesse *New  
 castle*, and sent it by a Drum: Unto which Letter and Proposi  
 tions the Marq *New castle* yesterday afternoon returned an An  
 swer to this effect following. That our Generals pretending ad  
 vance to prevent the effusion of blood, had framed and tendered  
 him such Conditions as neither he nor any man of Honour  
 with him could ever descend unto any one of them: yet he  
 would still be ready to deliver up the Towne upon such terms  
 as he had offered him by his Commissioners the day before.  
 So you see the businesse is now plainly left to be decided by the  
 Sword, of which the common Souldiers on our Party are not  
 thing sorry: The last night the enemy made fires on the top  
 of the *Minster*, and *Cliffords Tower*, and were answered by  
 the like from *Powfret Castle*, which is a signall of succours com  
 ming towards them: but I see no likelihood of any: for  
 yesterday and and this day also, we have Letters from *Man  
 chester* that Prince *Rupert* hath on Saturday and Friday last  
 sent part of his Army and Ordnance over the River *Mersey*  
 into *Cheshire*, and hath left one of his greatest Pieces in the

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of the Water: Some conjecture he intends to besiege  
*Harrington*: others thinke he goes to succour the King: If he  
 goes this way, our Armies are ready to encounter him.

After I had concluded this letter, word was brought mee that  
 the Earle of *Manchesters* men never acquainting our other Forces  
 with their intention, sprung a mine this afternoon, which did  
 good execution, making a large breach in the wals into the man  
 ur, by which those forces entred and possessed themselves of  
 the *Mannour*, the enemies guards laying down their armes: But  
 the enemy drawing all their forces that way, beate out our men  
 againe, with the losse of 200. of our partce, and the other armies  
 could not come to their succour, having no notice of it.



The heads of their Propositions, as I heard  
 them reported by our Commissioners at their re  
 turn, made by the Marquesse of *Newcastles* Commissioners, tou  
 ching the Rendition of *Yorke*, June 14. 1644.

1. That himselfe, with all the Commanders and souldiers, should  
 march away to the King with all their Ordnance, Armes, ammu  
 nition, money, plate, bag and baggage, drums beating, colours fly  
 ing, matches lighted, &c.
2. That the Parliaments forces should furnish them with victuals,  
 carriages, and convey through their Quarters, they marching one  
 night miles a day.

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3. That the Citizens and others in Yorke should not be quashed for passages.

4. That no Oath or Covenant should be imposed upon any of the

5. That the Churches and all belonging to them should be preserved from violence or despoiling, and that the books of Common prayer should be allowed to be used in them.

6. That before their forces march out or render the Towne, they should be allowed 20. dayes liberty to expect forces from the King or Prince Rupert, and if any came in the meane time, then they not be tyed to render the place at all.

This I conceive was the substance, but I have them onely in memory, which is apt to faile.



Propositions sent from the three Generalls for the Parliament to the Treatie, June 14. 1644.

That the Citie of York with all the Forts, together with all Ordnance, Ammunition, and other Warlike provisions whatsoever and about the same, be rendered up to us, for the use of the King and Parliament.

Upon the Conditions following, viz.

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1. That the Common Souldiers, shall have free liberty and licence to depart and goe to their owne homes, and to carry with them their cloaths and their own moneyes, not exceeding 2. dayes pay, and shall have safe conduct & protection of their persons from violence; They promising that they will not hereafter take up Armes against the Parliament or Protestant Religion.

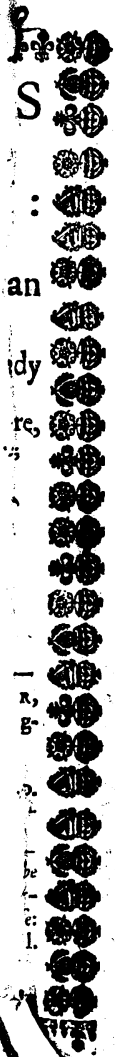
2. That the Citizens and ordinary Inhabitants of the said Citie, shall have their Persons, goods, and Houses protected from violence, and shall have the same free Trade and Commerce as others under obedience of the King and Parliament, and that no Regiments or Companies shall be admitted or quartered in the Towne of Yorke, except those that are appointed for the Garrison thereof.

3. That the Officers of all qualities shall have liberty to goe to their owne homes with Swords and Horses, and shall have safe conduct to protection to that effect, and shall have licence to carry their apparel and money along with them, the money not exceeding one monthes pay for every severall Officer.

4. That any Officer, who shall be recommended by the Marquis of Newcastle, shall have a passe from any one of the Generalls to goe beyond the Seas, they promising not to serve against the Parliament and Protestant Religion.

5. That the Gentry and other Inhabitants of the County of Yorke shall have liberty to goe to their owne homes, and shall be protected from violence.

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6. That a positive answer be returned to these Propositions by three of the clock to morrow in the Afternoone, being the 15. of this instant *June*: And in case they shall not be then accepted, we shall not then hold our selves bound to them; and in meane time we declare that there is no Cessation after 3. hours already granted.

Subscribed by

The Earle of *Leven*.

The Lord *Fairfax*.

The Earle of *Manchester*.

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