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# WAGES IN A.D. 1621, AND INNKEEPERS' BILLS A.D. 1668.

DEAR MR. SCOTT ROBERTSON,

I send you the enclosed Regulation for Servants' Wages, made in 1621; in case you may think it of sufficient interest to print in *Archæologia Cantiana*. The mingling of Roman and Arabic numerals is singular.

The statute 5 Elizabeth, c. 4, required the justices at the Easter sessions to fix the rate of wages. It is entitled "An Act containing divers Orders for Artificers, Labourers, Servants of Husbandry, and Apprentices," and was explained by 1 James I., c. 6.

I also enclose transcripts of Innkeepers' Bills incurred in July, August, and September 1668.

Yours faithfully,

FRANCIS F. GIRAUD.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, FAVERSHAM, May 14, 1885.

The rates for servants wages accordinge to the statute concluded on<sup>e</sup> at a Quarter Sessions howlde[n] for the towne and liberty of Faversham in or upon the ix<sup>th</sup> day of April 1621.

Carpenters wages by the day xiiij<sup>d</sup>

Carpenters apprentice or labourer viij<sup>d</sup>

the mason xiiij<sup>d</sup>

his apprentice or labourer viij<sup>d</sup>

The laborer in husbandrye except in harvest x<sup>d</sup>

In harvest by the day i<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>

Yf the master finde them meate in harvest 1<sup>s</sup>.0

A plowe man by the yere iij<sup>l</sup> vj<sup>s</sup> 8

The plow boy 1<sup>l</sup> xiiij<sup>s</sup> 4

A plow man wagoner and seedman v<sup>ls</sup>.0.0

Smithes Shoemakers and other trades worke by Rate wee knowe not

A maide servant to take charge 1 13 4

A younger maide servant 1.0.0

A girle 0.16.0

## INNKEEPERS' BILLS IN 1668.

At a Common Council, held in the Guildhall at Faversham, July 13, 1668, JOHN TROUTS,\* Esq. (Deputy Mayor), MR. THOMAS

\* *John Trouts* was Mayor of Faversham in 1632, 1642, and 1660; Receiver of H.M.'s Customs in Kent, Surrey, and Sussex; Captain of Select Band at Faversham; an ardent Royalist. He gave by his will rent charges for the church and poor, and died in 1675. He married Anne —, and left an only son Mark.

SOUTHHOUSE,\* and Mr. THOMAS NAPLETON† (Jurats), Mr. JOHN KENNETT‡ (Town Clerk), and Mr. HENRY KNOWLER§ (Commoner), were commissioned under the common seal to go to a Guestling, which was summoned from the ancient town of Winchelsea, to be holden at the town and port of New Romney, on Tuesday July 21st; and there to act on the town's behalf, as they should find convenient. Their charges to be borne by the town.

The following bills appear to have been incurred by them during the five days of their absence.

(A) To SAMUEL WOOD, *July y<sup>e</sup> 20, 1668* [at Ashford?].

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
For bred, beer, & to-				For oates .....	0	0	4
backe .....	0	7	6	For y <sup>e</sup> hostelear .....	0	1	0
For wine .....	0	10	0				
For y <sup>e</sup> ketchen .....	0	2	6		£1	3	10
For haye.....	0	2	6				

(B) To RICHARD KING, *July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1668* [at New Romney?].

	li.	s.	d.		li.	s.	d.
Itt. for 6 pints of sacke	0	7	0	for 3 fowles .....	0	3	6
for 8 pints of white wine	0	4	8	for breade .....	0	0	6
for beere.....	0	2	10	for caper .....	0	0	6
for roles .....	0	0	4	for 5 pints frensh wine	0	2	11
for a shoulder of mutton	0	3	6				
for a brest of mutton...	0	2	6		£1	8	3

[paid] £1 9 0 in full.

(C) To RICHARD KING, *July 21<sup>th</sup>, 1668*.

	li.	s.	d.		li.	s.	d.
Itt. for 11 qts 1 pint of				for to duckes & onion			
white wine .....	0	13	5	sauce .....	0	3	0
for beere.....	0	7	6	for to chickens & sauce	0	2	4
for tobaco .....	0	0	4	for to lobsters .....	0	4	0
for brandy .....	0	0	3	for to tarts .....	0	3	0
for bread & butter.....	0	0	9	for to dishes stued			
for a leg of mutton &				pruens.....	0	2	0
carrots .....	0	3	8	for bread .....	0	0	9
for a shoulder of veale	0	2	8	for 2 q <sup>ts</sup> 1 pint of sacke	0	5	10
for a q <sup>ter</sup> of lamb .....	0	3	6				
for to geese & goosbery					£2	19	0
sauce .....	0	6	0				

\* *Thomas Southouse* was Mayor in 1663 and 1671; author of *Monasticon Tavershamiense*; died 5th October 1676, aged 35. He left issue Thomas, Filmer, Elizabeth, Anne, and Mary.

† *Thomas Napleton* was Mayor in 1664 and 1672; Captain of the Select Band; died 1679, aged 46. Married Elizabeth, only daughter of John Knowler, of Herne, and had issue Thomas, Stephen, and Sarah.

‡ *John Kennett* was Town Clerk from 1666 to 1696; and Mayor in 1685. He married Joanna —, who died in 1670; and Dorothy — (living in 1711), and had issue Thomas, Roger (Town Clerk 1711-29), William, and Charles.

§ *Henry Knowler* was Town Clerk from 1658 to 1661; and a commoner from 1665 to 1671.

(D) To RICHARD KING, July 21<sup>th</sup>, 68, at night.

	li.	s.	d.		li.	s.	d.
Itt. for a jiblet pye ...	0	2	6	for 2 q <sup>ts</sup> of sacke .....	0	5	0
for a dish of stued				for beere .....	0	1	8
pruens .....	0	1	0	for suger.....	0	0	10
for 6 qts 5 pints of				for beere & suger .....	0	0	10
white wine .....	0	12	10				
for beere & tobaco ...	0	4	0				
					£1	8	8

July 22.

[illegible]

To RICHARD KING, *July 23, 1668, indorsed on Bill C.*

	li.	s.	d.
for 13 men ordinaries .....	1	6	0
for our shares of 8 quarts of new April & a flagon of beere .....	0	5	4
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	1	11	4
More for wine, beere, and tobaco .....	1	1	4

(E) To RICHARD KING, *July 24, 68.*

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Iitt. for beere .....	0	4	10	for a leg of lambe &			
for bread & butter.....	0	0	9	goosbery sauce .....	0	1	10
for suger.....	0	0	10	for a goose & goosbery			
for brandy .....	0	0	4	sauce .....	0	3	0
for a cadiall .....	0	1	8	for to ducks & onion			
for a pint & a qt of				sauce .....	0	3	0
sacke .....	0	3	0	for to chickens & sauce	0	2	4
for 19 q <sup>t</sup> s white wine...	0	19	0	for bread .....	0	1	0
for a brest mutton &				for to dishes of capers	0	0	4
sauce .....	0	3	0				
for a shoulder of mut-							
ton & capers .....	0	4	0				
					<u>£2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>

(*More the same day after you had the bill.*)

	li.	s.	d.		li.	s.	d.
Itt. for 10 q <sup>ts</sup> of white				for to dishes of pease...	0	2	6
wine .....	0	10	0	for a q <sup>t</sup> of sacke .....	0	2	0
for beere & tobacco ...	0	3	6			1	1
for milke & suger .....	0	0	10			2	7
for breade .....	0	0	4	[Brought forward]	2	7	11
for dressing yo <sup>r</sup> fish, &					£3	9	1
batter .....	0	2	0				

A COURT of SHIPWAY was holden at BRAYDONSTONE HILL, near Dover, on Tuesday, September 1st, 1668, by virtue of a summons from His Royal Highness JAMES, DUKE of YORK, Lord Warden, to make his serrement and promise, etc. JOHN TROUTS,\* Esq. (Deputy Mayor), Mr. ROBERT TERRY,† Mr. FRANCIS WATERMAN,‡ and Mr. MICHAEL GREENSTREETE,§ Jurats, were commissioned under the Common Seal of the town of Faversham to appear at the Court, and there to act and do as to them should belong, and was usual. Their charge to be borne by the town, and Mr. HENRY KNOWLER,|| one of the Chamberlains, was to attend the Commissioners there.

They appear to have gone to Dover on August 31st, and to have rested at Canterbury on their way home on September 2nd.

(F) *To GALLANT, Dover, 31 August 1668.*

	li.	s.	d.		li.	s.	d.
Bread & beere .....	0	6	2	Rabets .....	0	3	0
wine & tobacco .....	1	7	6	oranges & lemons .....	0	1	6
legg of mutton .....	0	4	0	fruit and chesse .....	0	1	0
a shoulder of mutton..	0	7	0			£3	3
a loine of veal .....	0	7	0				2
poulets .....	0	4	6				

(G) *To GALLANT, Dover, 1 Sept. 1668.*

	li.	s.	d.		li.	s.	d.
Bread & beere .....	1	2	2	a legg of mutton .....	0	4	0
wine & tobacco .....	1	7	4	fruit & cheese .....	0	1	0
butter & cheese .....	0	1	6	a shoulder of muton...	0	3	6
Shrimps .....	0	1	3	a brest of mutton .....	0	2	0
a tongue .....	0	2	6	two rabets .....	0	3	0
Rost beefe .....	0	6	0	two fowles .....	0	4	0

\* See preceding note.

† Robert Terry was Mayor in 1661, 1670, and 1679; died in 1679.

‡ Francis Waterman was Mayor in 1665 and 1681; died in 1707; and married — Knowler, and had issue Anne and Edward of Leeds, clerk.

§ Michael Greenstreete was Mayor in 1666, 1673, and 1684.

|| See preceding note.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
a goose .....	0	4	0	orenges & lemons .....	0	1	0
Coleflowers & turnups	0	1	6	Cheese .....	0	0	6
hartechocks .....	0	2	6				
samper [ <i>samphire</i> ] &							
Coucombers .....	0	1	0				
					<u>£4</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>

## (H) To GALLANT, 2 Sept. 1668.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
bread & beere .....	5	6		shrimps .....	1	0	
wine .....	6	6		21 horses haye 2 nights	1	14	8
a neck of mutton .....	2	6		2 bushel of oats .....	5	4	
westfalie ham .....	10	0					
butter & cheese .....	1	6			<u>£3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>
fruit & filbudds .....	1	0					

paid to the Cooks, Maids, and Hostler, and Tenders of y <sup>e</sup> house, where wee lay at Dover .....	0	6	0
Total .....	<u>£3</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>0</u>

paid upon taking of horse at Dover upon Edward Ridge- way .....	0	1	6
	<u>£3</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>

(I) To EDW<sup>d</sup> WHETSTONE, Canterbury, Sept. 2<sup>th</sup>, 1668.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread & beere & Glass	0	7	6	Coungar [ <i>eel</i> ] .....	0	1	0
wine & tobacco ...	1	8	8	Lopstars .....	0	5	0
Beefe .....	0	5	0	pidgen piy [ <i>pie</i> ] .....	0	4	0
Butter & chees .....	0	1	6				
Oystars .....	0	2	6		<u>£2</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>
more for fish & wine & bread & beer .....	0	4	5				
more for the meate for 30 horse 5 <sup>s</sup> ; & for the Hostler 1 <sup>s</sup> ; in all .....		6	0				
more for a pinte of sacke, which I paid for Mr. Hinton,* upon his friend a Minister coming to visit him .....		1	0				
Total at Canterbury spent is .....	<u>£3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>				

\* Dr. Giles Hinton was Vicar of Faversham in 1665; he resigned in 1682, and removed to Biddenden.