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well accord those two notes ; one that he sent him to kill the Queen, the other that he had intelligence with the Council.

Upon the arraignment of Patrick Collen, an Irishman, Daniell and Polwhele, being brought in to give evidence, stated that Sir Wm. Stanley and the writer and others sent Collen to kill the Queen ; protests that he never saw Collen, and the poor man said as much, both at his arraignment and execution, but all would not help ; such force had iniquity and injustice against simplicity and innocence. Is informed that Polwhele stated that the writer and others sent him to kill the Queen ; to his knowledge never had talk with him, but has seen him twice or thrice. Swears that all the accusations are false, and dares also swear for Sir Wm. Stanley, that he had no more to do with these doings of killing the Queen than the man in the moon. Doubts not but God will one day declare all, and then every man will be seen without a visor ; but meantime is sorry to see Her Majesty, and her Council abused by a sort of perjured jacks, who, being deciphered by wise and honest men, could not, in any Christian commonwealth, bear any credit for witnesses, especially to take away life or reputation.

Daniell, thinking to curry great favour, delivered to the Lord Treasurer a list of names of persons of sundry nations, with every man's mark, age, and stature, who should come from parts abroad to kill the Queen ; some are said to be Burgundians ; is sure none such are to be found in the world. The rest are English and Irish, serving in the regiment ; does not know their names, but thinks they never thought of any such matter. One of them, named John Annias, was a great friend of Daniell's, but he is a sorry fellow, can make white powder, and would not kill a cat if she looked him in the face. When Daniell said this, he never dreamed of Annias coming to England ; but Annias, not knowing the great information his friends had made of him, has of late fled into England, after murdering and robbing a Spaniard who of trust had put himself into his hands ; and notice having been given by the Lord Treasurer in all the ports and landing places of the said list, he was on his arrival forthwith carried to the Tower, where he may happen to endure just punishment for the said murder and former offences, as it will not now lie in Daniell's power to clear him of aught that he has falsely accused him of ; sundry other Irishmen are now in prison for the same offence, through Daniell's cozening at the expense of innocent blood of his own countrymen, as he has already begun with Patrick Collen.

The Duke of Parma has often received such information of men sent out of England to kill him, but made no account of it, nor forbore going alone any the more ; if the Queen and her Council would do the same, they would never unquiet themselves as they do, nor so easily permit false juries to cast away so many innocent men. Has divers of such letters that were sent to the Duke, and among others, one about Ferdinando Robinson, an Englishman, sent from England two years past, and who was said to have served the Duke before as mule keeper, and should return to his office so as to poison him in the water of Spa, which was brought thence on