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Queen forbade it. Sir Fras. Hastings has obtained liberty for three Puritans in the Clink, and came himself to see them enlarged. [3 pages.]

March 9.  
London.

53. A. A.— to Giacomo Creleto, Venice. Anderson *alias* Wm. Richardson was betrayed by a false brother into the hands of the Lord Chief Justice, sent to Newgate, and kept close prisoner a week, no one being allowed to see him. The Lord Chief Justice came on purpose, and interrupting other trials, called for him, and caused him to be indicted of high treason for being a priest and coming to England, all which he confessed, and there being no evidence against him, the Chief Justice gave his confession in writing to the jury, who found him guilty. He thanked God, and told the Chief Justice he was a bloody man, and sought the blood of Catholics. He denied that he was a Jesuit or knew Garnet; the Chief Justice left the bench, willing the Recorder to pronounce sentence. He was executed next morning, and died most cheerfully, to the edification of all beholders, and the great honour of the common cause,—the very adversaries being confounded at his constancy and little fear of death.

The Queen's sickness continues, and every man's head is full of proclamations as to what shall become of us afterwards. She raves of Tyrone and Arabella, and is infinitely discontented; it is feared she will not long continue. Her sickness makes sending persons over sea very difficult. The seven ships are going forth, victualled for four months; there is no money, only 17,000*l.* in the Exchequer,—a small sum to maintain wars in Spain and Ireland [1½ pages.]

March 13.

54. Sir Richard Leveson to Lord Admiral Nottingham. I cannot now expect any commission from Her Majesty, so I beseech you to send me a warrant from yourself and such of the Lords as you choose to join with you, to take in charge the Repulse, Mere Honor, &c. and follow your instructions. Much business made me forget this when I saw you, so I send a messenger to bring the warrant after me. [½ page.]

March 15.  
London.

Sir Noel de Caron to M. Aersens, deputy of the States, Paris. The Queen's illness, which has lasted more than a fortnight, has put us all into great trouble. She has been so ill that her recovery was doubted; but, thank God, she begins to improve; for whereas she was 10 or 12 days without being able to sleep, for the last three or four nights she has slept four or five hours, and also she begins to eat and drink something. She will not hear a word about medicine, nor has done during her illness. Four days ago she had a defluxion in the throat; some of the doctors thought it was a little apostume, which opened into her mouth, and flowed down her throat, and might choke her, for she was half an hour before she was able to speak, and was like a dead person; but thanks to God, they found means to dry it up well; she has been better since, and begins to take repose. [*Holland Corresp. Copy in Carleton's hand. Extract.*]