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OBSERVATIONS

RELATING TO THE
DELEGATES

OF THE
PRESSES:

WITH
An ACCOUNT of their SUCCESSION
FROM
Their ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT.

OXFORD, Printed at the THEATRE, 1756.

A Copy of a Paper deliver'd to the Vice-Chancellor by the Proctors of the last Year a short time before They laid down their Office.

§. **T**HE Delegates of Convocation are of three Sorts; Stated, Annual, and Occasional; all of whom, by whomsoever nominated or propos'd, are in effect delegated by the House of Convocation; Stat. Tit. 10. Sect. 2. §. 7.

§. The *Stated* Delegates are only those of the Public *Accounts* nominated by the Vice-Chancellor and Proctors, in pursuance of the same Statute: All other Delegates being nominated by the Proctors only. Ibid. Tit. 17. Sect. 4. §. 3. These last during Life; or at least, during their Residence in the University.

§. The *Annual* Delegates are only those of *Appeals*, nominated by the Proctors in the beginning of their Year, in pursuance of Tit. 21. §. 20. These last only for one Year, unless the Causes appeal'd to them should not be then brought to a Conclusion.

§. The *Occasional* Delegates are those delegated, *pro re natâ*, for any business that is more proper to be transacted by a few, than by the whole House. These are nominated by the Proctors in pursuance of Tit. 10. Sect. 2. §. 7. and Tit. 17. Sect. 4. §. 3. and last till the Business committed to their charge is dispatch'd; when and not sooner, such occasional Delegation is Dissolv'd.

§. Among this last, occasional, Sort, the Delegates of the Prefs must be rank'd who are therefore only look'd upon as standing Delegates, because their business can never be brought to a conclusion, so long as the University Prefs is kept on Foot.

§. The Nomination of these must therefore belong to the Proctors only by virtue of their general power of Nominating — *all* Delegates;

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the stated Delegates of Accounts being expressly
 general power by Statute; which exception conf

§. That the Practice (till of late Years) has
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una cum Vice-Canc. & Procuratoribus, Profes
 lectoribus Savilianis, Oratore Univ. Protobibli
 Archivorum pro tempore exiftentibus, vel fept
 ad Statuta Typographica condenda fecundum
 quæ inciderint) dirimendas, Prælum Academic

Rem typographicam in Univerſum procurandum, cum Relatione ad hanc Venerab. Domum, & Approbatione ejuſdem.

N.B. This Delegacy was probably look'd upon, at the Reſtoration, as appointed by illegal Authority; for an entire new Delegacy was ſoon after appointed, which it is apprehended ſubſiſts, by various Subſtitutions, to this Day.

1662. 22. Dec. Procuratores nominabant Delegatos ad deliberandum & determinandum cum Relatione ad Dom. Convoc. de Re Typographica, viz. Qui Pecunias à Stationariis Londin. &c. accipiant & erogent, de Loco Typographis idoneo aliisque omnibus in hanc rem faciendam proſpiciant & tranſigant, & rationem quotannis reddant de Receptis & Expenſis, quo tempore V-Can. Computum ſuum fuerit.

D^{res}. { Bailey
Yates
Barlow
Say
*Pococke
*Fell
Jenkins

N.B. The V-Chan. and Proctors were not at firſt Members of this Delegacy.

1668. 5. Oct. Procuratores, cum approbatione Domus, nominabant

M^{rum}. *Obadiah Walker è Coll. Univ.

Delegatum pro Re Typographica, loco D^{ris}. Bailey, pridem defuncti.

1674. 8. Feb. Procuratores, cum approbatione Ven. Domus, ſubjungebant

D^{res}. { *Alleſtree
Marſhall

Delegatis prius conſtitutis pro re Typographica procuranda.

1688. 26. Apr. Procuratores ſubjunxerunt

D^{res}. { Halton
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Delegatis antehac conſtitutis pro re Typographica procuranda.

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N.B. It is under this Nomination that the V
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Delegatos de Re Typographica.

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A Copy of a Paper sent about to the Common Rooms
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May 1. 1756.

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It is apprehended, that before the compiling of our present Body of Statutes, whenever the Convocation had agreed that a Delegacy shou'd be appointed, the right of Naming the Delegates upon *All Delegacies* was pro Arbitrio Procuratorum, and hence our present Statute, Tit. 17. Sect. 4. §. 3, de Officio & Autoritate Procuratorum, following the Old Rule, declares in general that Procuratorum Munus est — Delegatos in quibuscunque Negotiis — dare.

But other parts of our present Body of Statutes, have made two Exceptions to this Rule; which continues in full force, unless in the Cases excepted: The Delegates of Convocation being now Distinguished into three Sorts, *Annual*, *Stated*, and *Occasional*.

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tion.

There are afterwards two, and only two Instances of the Appobation of the House being given in the compass of Forty Years more, and during both those Periods no mention is once made of Vice-Chan. interfering in the Nomination. As to what the Practice was during the next Thirty Years, we are totally in the Dark; but for Twenty Years past, the Delegacy of the Prefs having been frequently consolidated with that of the Public Accounts, This has occasioned the same Form to be *unwarily* used for both Nominations: But this, it's presumed, cannot prejudice the inherent Right of the Procuratorial Office. For, if the consent of the Vice-Chan. and House is not required, it is entirely a matter of Indifference and may be superadded to or withheld from a Statutable Nomination by the Proctors without increasing or diminishing it's Validity.

1632. 12. Nov. 13. Mar. are the Dates of the Charters granted to the University by King Charles the First to enlarge our Privileges of Printing; in consequence whereof

1633. 1. Apr. Procuratores nominabant hos egregios Viros Delegatos ad Audiendum, Statuendum, & Determinandum de negotio proposito, Impressorum scilicet & Præli, & eorum quæ ad imprimendum pertinent viz.

Doc'.	{	Fell	Mag ^{os} .	{	Baily Coll. D. J. B. Præf.
		Pinke			Rouse Oriel. Bibliothec. x
		Frewin			Turner Mert. Math. Prof. x
		Smith			Hammond Magd. x
		Zouch			Hippesly Æd. Ch. x
					Morgan Wadh. x

Vel Majorem partem horum unà cum V. C. & Procuratoribus.

N.B. This Delegacy seems to have expired or have been vacated in the Confusions that soon after followed. But when the University had little recover'd it's Peace, the Prefs began again to be attended to, and a fresh Delegacy was appointed, For,

1653. Mart. 26. Causa Convocationis erat, ut potestas condendi Statuta Typographica Delegatis infra Scriptis concederetur ad Tit. 18. Sect. 5. nec non &c.

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Nos Procuratores nominamus hos eg

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	{ Wilkins	
Doct ^r .	{ Goddard	Mag ^r .
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venerabilem Domum & Approbatione

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Deinde Nos Vice-Canc. & Procur
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tum pro computis V. Canc. & Procura
rint audiendis, loco Dⁱ. D^{is}. Saunders
defuncti.

1662. 22. Dec. Nos Procuratores n
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transfigant, & rationem quotannis redda
tempore V. Canc. computum suum fec

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D ^{is} .	{ Yate		{ Poc
	{ Barlow		{ Fel
			{ Jen

1668. 5. Oct. Procuratores, cum ap
Mag^m. Obadium Walke
Delegatum pro re Typographicâ loco I

1674. 8. Feb. Procuratores cum approb. Venerab. Domûs subjun-
gebant Reverendos Viros

D^{res}. { Allestree x
 { Marshall

Delegatis priùs constitutis pro re Typographiâ procurandâ.

1688. 26. Apr. Procuratores subjunxerunt Rever. Viros

D^{res}. { Halton
 { Jane x
 { Aldrich x
 { Mill

Delegatis antehâc constitutis pro re Typographicâ procurandâ.

1691. 22. Apr. Nos Procuratores nominemus hos Rev. viros infra
Scriptos Delegatos ad Deliberandum & determinandum cum Relatio-
ne ad Ven. Domum Convoc. de re Typographicâ, qui etiam de aliis
omnibus in hanc rem facientibus prospiciant & tranfigant, una cum
V. Can. & Procuratoribus pro tempore existentibus.

D^{res}. { Halton
 { Jane x
 { Aldrich
Mag^{os}. { Levet
 { Edwards
 { Adams
 { Bernard x

N.B. Tho' this Nomination bears the form of a New Appoinment,
yet, as no formal Act was done by the House to dissolve the Old
Delegacy four Members of which viz. those Nominated in 1688
were still living and Resident, it is apprehended that it cou'd on-
ly operate by way of Substitution or Subjunction of the four
New Delegates to the former.

1698. 26. Mart. Procuratores nominabant

D^{res}. { Meare V. Canc.
 { Dunster Coll. Wadh. Guard.

Delegatos de re Typographicâ.

1703. 2. Dec. This Register ends and from thence to the Year
1737, the Registers are not in the Hands of the Proper Officer, From
1737 to the present Time the Vice-Chancellor's Name is inferted, as
concurring with the Proctors in their Nominations to this Delegacy
and the Approbation of the House is subjoined.

It is to be observed that the Clause of the §. 2. that in Convocations, *Nihil sine Consensu suffragiis permitti fas est*, can only relate to such Nominations as entirely belong to the Præbendaries, and their own Deputies, the Masters of the Schools, the Rectors, and all Occasional Delegates; To comprehend, any other Consent, than their own.

And whereas it has been Suggested that it is to be observed, that the Persons mark'd thus x. are to be nominated Heads of Houses only upon the Delegation of the University, it must be observed, that the Persons mark'd thus x. are to be nominated Heads of Houses only upon the Delegation of the University at the Time of their Nomination.

And, whereas it is insisted that since the Delegates are to settle the Accounts of the Workmen, they can be no more than the Stated Delegates of Public Accounts, and not such as are appointed with the Approbation of the Vice-Chancellor, it must be observed, that this Argument tends to confound the Delegation of the Prebendaries distinct from that of the Delegates, which have been *always* kept distinct with regard to their Office, and for the most part distinct also, 'till of late Years, when some *Persons composing them*. Neither is it certain that the Delegates are the Public Accounts of the University, but Probable that they are not more of a Public Nature than other inferior Persons, which are settled by the Vice-Chancellor, &c. — and afterwards allowed in their Accounts.

The Workmen must Account to the Delegates who employ them: Those Delegates are properly appointed by the University; and they are obliged, by the Statute, to the Present Delegated Power in 1662, *rationem quæsumptis & expensis quo tempore V. Canc. computaverunt*, is, They must Account before the *Stated Delegates*, and therefore it seems very improper to constitute the same Persons to be both Auditors and Accountants.

Tit. 17. Sect. 1. §. 2.

De Officio, Potestate & Autoritate Cancellarii —
Cancellarii Munus est —

Congregationes Regentium, nec non Regentium, & non Regentium convocare, in quibus nihil sine ipsius aut Vice-Cancellarii sui consensu proponi, aut suffragiis permitti fas est.

The Proctors Nomination of Delegates of Appeals — of Two Masters of Austins, and of Two Masters of the Schools — as their own Deputies — and by express Direction of Statute — are Exceptions to this general Rule — perhaps the only ones.

Tit. 10. Sect. 1. Nihil autem pro decreto aut concessio habeatur, quod Cancellarius, five ejus Vice-Cancellarius; vel ambo Procuratores, five eorum Deputati; vel major pars Regentium & non Regentium, negaverint. Præterquam in Electionibus, quas liberas esse volumus, secundum antiquam consuetudinem, per majorem partem omnium suffragantium.

I am obliged to the Paper Writer for this Maxim in Law — which seem'd to give particular Satisfaction to several Gentlemen in the Congregation. May 21. 1756.

Viz. That an Exception to a general Rule confirms the Rule — which I desire may be apply'd to the general Rules of the Vice-Chancellor's Rights in both the above-mentioned Clauses.

And in Return for the Favour I beg leave to present Him with two Rules for the Interpreting Law or Statute, and for which I was formerly obliged to the late Lord Chief Justice Reeves.

1st. That wherever the Words of Statute are susceptible of Various Constructions, and any one of those Constructions will reconcile apparent Inconsistencies, and make every Part of the Statute consistent with every other Part: That Construction is to be prefer'd.

This may not improperly be apply'd to *Dare* in the following Clause of the Office of the Proctors — and *Nominandi* in the Statute of Occasional Delegates.

The other is — That Statutes are never to be supposed to be inconsistent; but that every Word which will bear a peculiar Sense, is to be taken in a Sense which gives no occasion for Inconsistency — This may be apply'd to the Terms — Proponi, a Mitti — and to the Terms — Pro Decreto, aut Concilio — above Quotations.

Tit. 17. Sect. 4. §. 3.

De Officio & Autoritate Procuratorum

Procuratorum Munus est, (id quod nomen ipsum significat) Universitatis, Rationesque procurare: Delegatos in negotiis, nec non Judices in causis Appellationum dare.

Tit. 10. Sect. 2. §. 7.

De Delegatorum Nominatione & Mando

Cum varia Universitatis negotia à paucis citius & commodius à pluribus, expeditantur; eoque nomine, selectis quibusdam per Domum Convocationis delegentur, qui de iis vel statuendi, cum nuda relatione ad Domum, vel approbatione simul, (prout prædictæ Domui videbitur) agant; quos Delegatos nominandi jus penes Procuratorem est.

Ordinatum est, quod è singulis Facultatibus, & ex Magistris Regentibus, & non Regentibus aliqui seligantur sibi onus subire, & in Congregatione quavis, diem Deputatum destinatum antecedente, Juramentum Corporis præstentur.

1. " Quod legitime de die, hora, & loco præmoneri
" tempus, in locum per Vice-Cancellarium destinatum.
2. " Officium & munus Delegatorum, super negotiis
" his, sedulo & diligenter exsequantur.
3. " Non omnino aberunt, nisi ex causa per Vice-Cancellarium
" Procuratores antea vel postea approbanda.

Quicquid vero Delegati omnes, vel major ipsorum approbaverint, in negotiis delegatis, cum nuda relatione ad Domum agant.

teriore disceptatione ratum est; in delegatis vero cum relatione ad Dominum, & approbatione ejusdem, totius Domus suffragiis denuo permittitur.

Cum præter Delegatos ad expedienda Negotia intra Universitatem, opus sit nonnunquam delegari quosdam ad prosequenda Negotia extra Universitatis præcinctum; Statutum est, quod (quoties hoc usu venerit) ad mandatum Vice-Cancellarii, & Procuratorum, singuli ad hujusmodi negotia, pro virili, prosequenda (modo hoc fiat expensis Universitatis) paratos se præstent.

Quoniam vero ad computandas rationes Vice-Cancellarii, Procuratorum, & aliorum, novos quotannis Delegatos pro arbitrio Procuratorum designari, haud è re Academiae esse, usu compertum est; Decretum est, quod in posterum statim Delegati per Vice-Cancellarium, & Procuratores, cum consensu Domus Convocationis nominandi sint, qui singulas rationes Universitati reddendas accipient, præterquam de quibus Speciali Decreto aliter cautum fuerit.

Quorum si major pars in Universitate præsens non fuerit (quoties rationes quæcunque Universitati reddendæ fuerint) Procuratores, vel eorum alter, cum consensu Vice-Cancellarii, totidem in locum absentium ad præsens subrogabunt, quot ad majorem partem explendam suffecerint.

Quod si quos è statis hisce Delegatis fatis concedere, vel alias Universitate excedere contingat; alii continuo in ipsorum locum, eadem Autoritate, subrogentur.

Hi autem Delegati, quamprimum nominati fuerint, in ipsa Convocatione (si præses fuerint) alioqui coram Vice-Cancellario, exigente seniore Procuratore, singuli Juramentum præstabunt in hæc verba.

“Tu Jurabis, quod audies strictum & fidelem computum, de omnibus & singulis computandis per (&c.—) nec allocabis nisi quæ allocanda sunt; sepositis dolo, fraude, amore, & invidia. Ita Deus te adjuvet, & hæc Sacrosancta Christi Evangelia.

Tit. 21. §. 20.

De Judicibus Delegatis, in Causis Appellationem.

Statutum est, quod Procuratores, in prima Congregatione post susceptum Officium, pro Congregatione Magistrorum Regentium, septem Judices Delegatos nominent: quorum Duo S. Theologiae, Unus Juris, Unus

Unus Medicinæ Doctor & tres in Art. Magistrorum (Magister Citum Regentes) sint; Qui, ut statim Delegati, à Cancellerio Domus, Causas omnes Appellationum, à Cancellerio fivè locum Tenente, ad Domum Congregandi ac terminandi per totum Annum insequantur.

Ita tamen ut proregetur & continuetur Jurisconsultum quoad causas coram ipsis inceptas, donec sententiam finem imposuerint, & Sententiam executioni dantur.

Prout supra concessum est Delegatis Congregationis intra annum inceptas, anno insequente determinentur.

Quòdque deinde, in proxima Convocatione, & non Regentium, novem alios Judices Delectentur, Quorum duo, Theologiæ, duo Juris, duo Medicinæ Magistri ad placitum Regentes sint; qui finem Anno insequente, Causas Appellationum, à Domum Convocationis delatas, audiant & determinent.

Et, si quempiam eorum qui sic nominati fuerint, absentiam causam habere, vel ex justa etiam causa, non comparuerint, Procuratores, vel eorum alter, cum Dominum alium ejusdem Facultatis & Gradus, si talis in Universitate fuerint, aliàs quemlibet alium (prout ipsis videbitur) substituunt. Ita tamen quòd liceat tribus quibusvis Domus Delegatis, aliis rogatis & absentibus, vel substitutus alios usque ad sententiam procedere.

Et quicquid in quacunque Causa, major pars utriusvis Domus respectivè, statuerit vel decreverit, factum debitum fortiat. Proviso, quòd, priusquam in Convocatione vel pro Convocatione, Judicium suscipiat, palam in Curia (altero Procuratorum, & Regentium) juramentum præstet, "Quod sine accedente consensu, cunctis Jura, Statuta, Privilegia, Libertates, & Universitatis, Causas coram ipsis ventilandas ac terminandas non intendant."

Vide Regif. ab An. 1659. ad 1671.

Octobr. 31. 1666. Convocatio.

Die Mercurii viz. 31. die Mensis Octobr. An. Dom. 1666. Causa Convocationis erat ut Literæ ab honoratissimo nostro Cancellario missæ publicarentur: nec non ut, Ratiocinium Bibliothecæ Bodleianæ ad Venerabilem Domum referretur, & alia negotia Academica expedirentur.

Insuper Procuratores nominabant Venerabiles & Egregios Viros infra scriptos Delegatos, qui Statutorum Libros cum Authentico Exemplari conferrant, & ad ejus fidem restituant; Insuper publica recenseant Acta quæ sub auspiciis Regiis scripta, quæque inde discerpta fuerant, redintegrent, quæque postmodum in æternam nostrorum omnium infamiam contra honestatem publicam, Statutorum mentem, & Pietatem Deo & Principi debitam ibidem commenta sunt, obolis transfodiant & censurâ notâ perstringant; cum nuda relatione ad Domum viz.

D^{res}. { Say
Hyde
Digby

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qui jurati erant in Domo Congregationis.

From the Omission of the Vice-Chancellor and Proctors in this Delegacy the Paper-Writer might conclude, (for his whole Plea rests upon such Omissions) that They were not included in it; What follows would set him right.

Evolventes præsens hoc Registrum Venerabilis Domus Convocationis quod ab Anno 1648. ad Annum fere 1660. ejusdem re gestas continet, durante tyrannide Parliamentariâ Philippo Comite Pembrochiæ Olivario & Richardo Cromwellis Cancellariorum nomine sese hic venditantibus: Acta pleraque officio subditorum erga Principem; Scholarum erga Matrem Academiam; famæ demum bonæ & honestati publicæ, prorsus repugnantia reperimus. Itaque pro jure & potestate nobis hac parte per Venerabilem domum Convocationis Octobr. 31. An. Dom. 1666. concessis, ista omnia prædicta (singulis enim percensendis immorari piget) censuræ subijcimus, & damnamus.

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To the Reverend and Worshipful
The HEADS of COLLEGES and HALLS in the
UNIVERSITY of OXFORD.

THE Proctors of the former Year having upon the Day on which They laid down their Office in an entirely New, and most Unstatutable manner, assum'd to themselves (NOSTRA AUTHORITATE) the Sole Power of Substituting a Delegate for Printing in the room of the late Bishop of Bristol, regardless of the previously declared Dissent of the Vice-Chancellor, and his then publicly declared Dissent and Disapprobation both of the Act and Form — and in Exclusion of the Approbation or Disapprobation of the Doctors, and Regent, and non Regent Masters then sitting in Convocation — And certain *Nameless Papers* having been since sent about to all the Common Rooms (tho' not one to the Vice-Chancellor) in order to assert the Validity of this Nomination, and to prejudice the unwary in Favour of such irregular Proceedings — And the Person pretending to the Rights of a Delegate aforesaid under this illegal Appointment, having presumed to Administer to himself in a Subsequent Congregation the Oath prescribed by Statute for Occasional Delegates — in direct Opposition to the Vice-Chancellor his then publicly Declared Dissent and Prohibition — And as this Procedure, if not taken farther Notice of, may be drawn into Example, and occasion Trouble to future Vice-Chancellors — It is thought proper to desire the several Heads of Houses to lay before their Respective Societies the following Observations upon that *Nameless Paper* — and another Shorter sometime before deliver'd to the Vice-Chancellor.

1st, That whatever might have been the Condition or Constitution of this University before the Compiling and Ratification of our present Body of Statutes is nothing to the Purpose — These are now our only Rule — We have each of us sworn to observe them; and a proper

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Attendance to their plain Sense wou'd arising from negligent Practise or inattention in particular there can be no Doubt, if such natural and obvious Sense be taken of the Words as they will admit of, and require, if we suppose (what ought always to be) that our Laws are consistent with The Word — DARE — in the Statute concerning the Office of Chancellor. Such a Sense cannot be taken in an Absolute Sense, but in a much more determinate and Emphatic Sense concerning the Office of Chancellor. Such a Sense is not to be taken out of the Section of that de Magnâ Congregatione, but out of an Inconsistency, and that a very plain Sense in which it is used. And this is the Sense of the Word — DARE — of; and therefore He much more *crag* — DELEGATOS IN QUIBUSCUNQUE — pres'd the Words — NEC NON JUDICIS — NUM — otherwise it would have plain there Equivalent to OFFERRE, vel DARE. — may be seen in the Statute concerning §. 20. And it will puzzle the most Ingenious why the Word — DARE — must be taken when applied to the Former and to the Latter Sentence.

The same may be said in regard to Tit. 10. §. 7. where the Laxity of Expression is applied against the more determinate and fixed Sense of the Word — SUFFRAGIIS PERMITTI FAS EST — former Restriction applied to — DARE — is consistent and Uniform — Take it for granted by the PAPER-WRITER, (as imposed by the Matter, and then to constitute the Sole pleasure) and it not only contradicts Tit. 10. §. 1. but is utterly inconsistent with the Clause in which it is used; for the Matter is PER DOMUM — and that — SELECTIO — GENDIS — which therefore requires the Consent of the House — after

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the Persons with the Trust propos'd — To hear it seriously said, (and it has been said more than once to the Vice-Chan.) that the Proctors are the Representatives of the House whilst the House is sitting — is not a little surprizing. — How Delegates are in effect delegated by the House of Convocation, when Two of the Three constituent Parts of that House are excluded from any Share in choosing or authorizing the Delegates, is beyond the Vice-Chancellor's Comprehension.

2dly, The Delegates of Convocation are of two Kinds — STATED — or OCCASIONAL — The STATED are either ANNUAL — or PERPETUAL. — The OCCASIONAL are either Such as are to transact Business within the Precincts of the University — or Such as are to do the same at a Distance, or without the Precincts. Each of these having something different in the Manner of their Appointment, our Statutes, with regard to that Difference, will be found to have provided us with four sorts of Delegates — and four only — Which I shall take in the order observ'd by the PAPER-WRITER. Viz. 1st, Stated Annual Delegates, Judges of Appeals — These of two Orders — Those of Congregation — to be named by the New Proctors in the first Congregation and approv'd by the House — Those of Convocation — to be named in the first Convocation and approv'd by that House — consequently in each of these Instances the Vice-Chan. has a Negative — by Tit. 10. §. 1. — The time and place being Specified in this Delegation furnishes Exceptions to the general Rule in Tit. 17. §. 2. And therefore as Mr. PAPER-WRITER wisely observes strengthen the Rule. These Delegacies consist of a prescribed Number, and the Conditions of the Persons are Specify'd — Those for Congregation — Duo S. Theologiae, Unus Juris, Unus Medicinae Doctor, & Tres in Art. Magistri (necessario vel ad placitum Regentes.) Those for Convocation — Duo Theologiae, Duo Juris, Duo Medicinae Doctores, Tres Magistri ad placitum Regentes. They likewise admit of SUBSTITUTION, and a Method of Supplying a Deficiency in each Delegation is prescribed; in which due regard is paid to the Vice-Chancellor's Authority. There is likewise an Oath of Qualification prescribed suitable to their Trust; and these are call'd STATED DELEGATES for the Year, because both the Trust and the Persons continue the same for that Time.

The 2d Delegation is that for Accounts — These STATED DELEGATES have no certain Number appointed — nor Description of Persons — are named by the Vice-Chan. and the Proctors — with the

Consent of the Convocation — are confirmed definitely; because both the Trust and during Life or Residence. This Delegation by SUBSTITUTION by the same Authority and Qualification suitable to their Trust is likewise Delegation that the Statutes suggest contrary Nomination of the Proctors — learnt from Experience, this part of the Remedy — and it is *Gratis dictum* by many other Delegacies were before our Nomination of the Proctors.

The 3d Sort of Delegates (omitted those for transacting Occasional University without the Precincts of the University Number — nor Description of Persons) AD MANDATUM VICE-CANCELLARIUM no SUBSTITUTION provided for by Statute Oath of Qualification — but are bound to the University to the Execution of their Office to be at the Expence of the University: — constituting this Delegation needs no farther to be observed that the Grounds for this Delegation be — That as small a Number might be sufficient for the Purpose at the least Experience there might be no Confinement to Rank or Test out of all of them might be made to be done with Expedition, upon any Emergency in Term-time — None of which Ends the following Delegation — For,

The 4th Delegation is for such Occasional Business transacted by a Few than by many —

Whenever such Business is proposed to his Consent — and not otherwise — (under Pretence for the Proctors of their own Right of proposing — at their Pleasure) — the Right of Nominating the Persons to transact the Business so proposed, if the other Conditions so please: and in this the Vice-

as that of the Masters is again prevalent by Tit. 10. §. 1. Was not this the Case the Business wou'd not be Delegated by the House — which yet is the very Designation of the Statute under which these Delegates are Authorised. These are not limited in Number, provided They are not less than Five; for there must be out of each Faculty: and likewise out of Doctors and Masters Regent, and Masters non Regent, and accordingly in all Occasional Delegacies of this Kind this has been the constant Usage. — And in the Year 1743. when an Occasional Delegation was appointed March the 18th defective of Regent Masters. Die Saturni viz. 6to Aprilis 1644.

Causa Convocationis erat ut Error in Supra-scriptâ Delegatione emendetur ob Defectum Magistrorum Regentium. Vide Regist. Pag. 55. — This Delegation has no Substitution provided for by Statute, but in Case of Defect a previous Decree to authorise such a Substitution wou'd be necessary: in which Case both the Vice-Chancellor and the Masters have likewise a Negative. — It must be constituted under Restriction — either cum nuda Relatione ad Domum — or cum Relatione & Approbatione simul — (if call'd upon) is an Addition of the Paper-Writers. This Delegation cannot intermeddle with University Accounts but by Special Decree of Convocation — and has a peculiar Oath of Qualification, suitable only to the Nature of an Occasional — Short-lived, Home. Delegation — unconcern'd with Accounts: and to be taken in some Congregation antecedent to the transacting of Business — and therefore in Term-time only.

It is under this last form of a Delegation the PAPER-WRITER asserts the *Delegates* for Printing are to be constituted — And He lays it down as a Rule — that the *Delegates for Printing* must be such *Occasional Delegates* — and their *Appointment arbitrary in the Proctors* — in whatsoever Convocation They please — without the previous Proposal of the Vice-Chancellor or the Concurrence of either the Vice-Chancellor or the House. And indeed if any part of this Rule fails the Pretensions, and Proceedings of the late Proctors and *Their Delegate* must be given up as unjustifiable — Upon what Foundation this Rule stands will be seen presently — In the mean Time It is an Assertion absolutely false that the Business of such a Delegation ever has been, or can be Statutably committed to Persons selected by the Proctors without the Concurrence of either the Vice-Chancellor or the House; whose Approbation in this as in most other Instances, where it is even specially required,

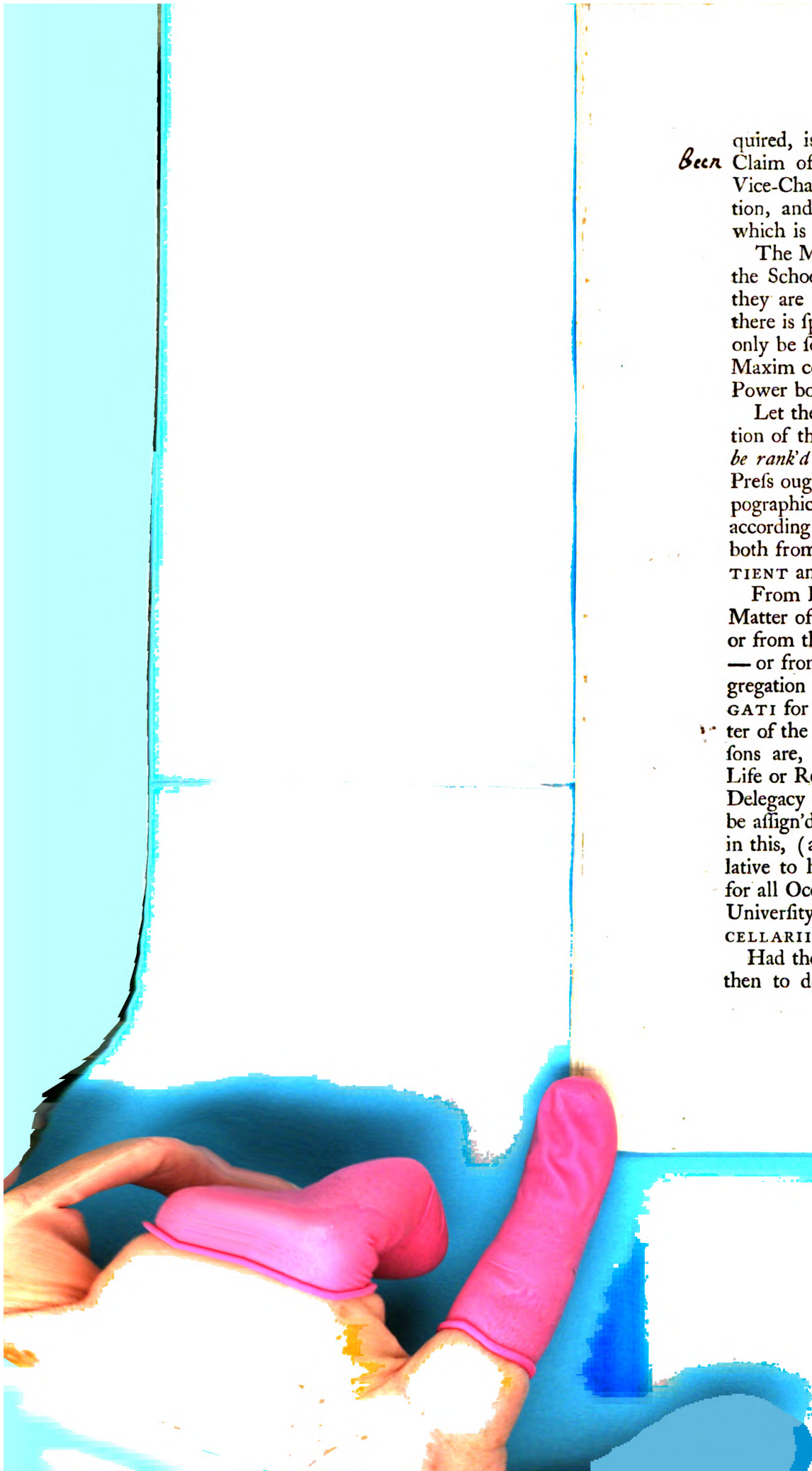
quired, is usually given by their Silence. *Been* Claim of the pretended Delegate It is the Vice-Chancellor consented to the proposition, and that the House approv'd which is Fact.

The Manner of Naming the Proctors, the Schools and Masters of the Streets, they are no Delegates of the House — there is special Direction in the Statute — only be so many Exceptions, Each according to a Maxim confirming the general Rules of Power both in Tit. 17. §. 2. and Tit. 18.

Let the third Observation be — The Position of the PAPER-WRITER, viz. *They should be rank'd amongst this last Sort of Delegates* — Prefs ought to be — and now rightly assign'd according to the Form of the Stated Decree both from — REASON and from STATUTE and MODERN PRACTICE.

From REASON — Because Stated Decree the Matter of their Trust being foreknown, or from the certain Continuance of the Trust — or from both — And hence the Delegation and Convocation are described in the STATUTE for the Year to come — In the Matter of the Trust is foreknown, prescriptions are, and always have been continued by Life or Residence — and were there Reason Delegation could be of the Occasional kind, it might be assign'd why the Vice-Chancellor's Power is not in this, (and that not without Violence relative to his Authority) when in the Matter of the Trust for all Occasional Delegacies for Business in the University, the Delegates are commissaries of the Chancellor and Procuratorum?

Had the Proctors a Right to propose, or then to delegate that Business to Per-



themselves, What Occasion could there be for doing this in the Convocation? And what an Extravagance of Power would be here lodged in their Hands? How dissimilar to that in all other Instances of Delegacies? though the Importance of this Appointment to the University might in some Cases be even superior with the Vice-Chan. and the Convocation, They have a Negative equally with the Vice-Chan. and the Majority of the House is not Disputed: What would they more? 2dly, From STATUTE — Delegates of the Press cannot with any Propriety fall under that for Stated Delegates, but may and rightly do under that for Occasional Delegates, but no Substitution of Delegates is provided for by Statute but in Stated Delegates only; — and should a Substitution be found requisite in such Occasional Delegates, a previous Authority must have been decreed by the House for such Substitution — to which therefore the Vice-Chancellor's Concurrence would be necessary — Because the Oath of Qualification for Stated Delegates of Accounts mutatis mutandis (which is provided for in the very Form of the Oath) is quite suitable to this kind of Trust — but that for Occasional Delegates is far from being so; as no Obligation is specify'd for Fidelity in Accounts; and an Obligation is required highly proper in short-lived Occasional Delegates, but very unsuitable to perpetual Delegates, viz. *Quod non omnino &c.* which the Gentlemen who have forcibly administer'd to themselves this Oath would do well to reconsider.

3dly, From ANTIENT and MODERN PRACTICE — and for this We must go to our Registers. But let it be previously observed — That Arguments drawn from Omissions in our Registers (especially the Antient ones) concerning Matters of Form are not conclusive even as to Practice: and of no Weight at all where there is such Direction in Statute as may supply the Circumstance of Form omitted, and which for that Reason might not be thought necessary by the Register to be inserted in every Instance — This being a Case almost perpetually occurring throughout our Antient Registers. Yet after what has been said, This seems to be the only remaining Pretension for giving any Colour to the last Proctors unusual Nomination, and the unauthorized Proceedings of the —Delegate; on the other Hand, Circumstances of Form related in the Register

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 April 1. 1633. of which we have this

April. 1. 1633. Literas patentibus
 Registrarium Univerf. Oxon. ne aut in
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 redeant & Honorem, qui Statuant de S
 foribus Academiæ Præftandâ, de Præf
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 notescerent eorumque Judicio censerentur. Scilicet cum Rex noster Ca-
 rolus ex Regia sua Munificentia per Literas patentes Cancellario, Ma-
 gistris & Scholaribus Universitatis Oxon. concesserit Privilegium & Po-
 testatem imprimendi sacra Biblia, Psalteria, Grammaticas & omnis Ge-
 neris Libros qui ad Ornatum Reipublicæ Literariæ conducere possunt.
 Stationarii Londinenses ex eo suum commodum perverti sentiebant.
 Qui ultro ad Dominam Balie Vice-Cancellarium & Coll. Divi Johan-
 nis Baptistæ Præsidem accesserunt ultimo concessorū humiliter petentes ut executionem
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 bras bonæ & Legalis Monetæ Angliæ in Usū Universitatis soluturam.
 Hocque ratum & confirmatum fore per Indenturas communi Sigillo
 dictæ Societatis suæ confirmatum fore per Indenturas communi Sigillo
 Triennium. His post maturam Deliberationem discussis & ad Domum
 Convocationis propositis placuit Universitati ut hic inde Indenturæ in-
 fierentur, & Communi Sigillo Societatis Stationariorum si-
 gillabatur — Indenturarum Tenor sequitur & est talis.

Deliberat — eodem die in Assimilatione parva in Usū Academiæ
 Oxoniensis —
 His prælectis & concessis significavit insuper Vice-Can. has pecunia-
 rum Summas Magno Usui Academiæ futuras si in Prælum impende-
 rentur, quo Libri Græci Manuscripti Arabici & Linguarum Orienta-
 lius selectiores imprimerentur, quibus Honoratissimus noster Cancel-
 larius locupletissime instauravit Bibliothecam nostram. Huic Curæ de-
 finantur Delegati antehac nominati, viz. primo die Aprilis 1633. qui
 hunc Usū erogatis. Et super hoc solo Negotio Librum Ratiocinii
 servarent & Cistam in qua Liber Ratiocinii & Pecuniæ in hunc Usū
 Collatæ reponerentur.

The next Mention of Affairs relating to the Press is in the Year
 1643. upwards of Six Years having interven'd. And as no other De-
 legacy was then constituted for this Purpose, in which at the Propo-
 sal of the Vice-Chancellor They are empower'd by Convocation to e-
 lect a Printer — their Election confirm'd by the same — they are con-
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22. 1662. which is Twenty nine Years and a Half of the Thirty above-mentioned — What is become of the entire Conformity of Practice for upwards of Thirty Years?

Dec. 22. 1662. The Delegacy of the Prefs is again mentioned as follows — Nos Procuratores & determinandum cum relatione ad Domum Convocationis de Re Typographica nimirum qui Pecunias à Stationariis Londinenfibus ex nupero Conventu debitas, aliasque summas in eos Ufus foluendas recipiant & erogent; de Loco Typographiæ idoneo aliisque omnibus in hanc Rem facientibus prospiciant & tranfigent, & Rationem quotannis reddant de receptis & expenfis quo Tempore Vice-Cancellarius Computum fuum fecerit viz.

- Dr's. { Bailey
- { Yates
- { Barlow
- { Say
- { Pococke
- { Fell
- { Jenkins

And here I must beg leave to borrow the following Remark from the ingenious PAPER-WRITER, whose Skill in the Law furnishes me with more apposite Exprefions than I should otherwise have hit upon.

N.B. "Tho' this Nomination bears the Form of a new Appointment yet as no formal Act was done by the Houfe to Diffolve the Old Delegacy Two Members of which Dr. Fell and Dr. Baylie viz. those nominated 1633, were ftill living and refident, "It is apprehended that it could only operate by way of Substitution or Subjunction of the Five new Delegates to the Former."

I must farther obferve upon this Delegacy that it cou'd not poffibly be an Occafional Delegacy not only becaufe it was a Substitution of Delegates, which cou'd not be by the Statute for Occafional Delegates without a previous Decree of the Houfe; but alfo becaufe the Perfons Delegated are not fuch as the Form Prefcribed in that Statute requires. For They were every one Doctors, which they might be by the Statute for ftated Delegates for Accounts; but by that for Occafional Delegates there must have been one or more Mafters of each Kind Regent and non Regent.

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Rogante Domino Vice-Cancellario, Delegatos suprafcriptos Venerabilis Domûs Convocationis approbavit.

In this Citation of this Delegacy from the Register, the Vice-Chancellor Proposing, and the House Approving of the above-written Delegates, are omitted in both the Paper given the Vice-Chancellor and that sent to the Common Rooms: As THIS is as conspicuous at least as any thing in the whole Page — nearly in the middle of it — and wrote with initial Capitals as above: there is little likelihood of an Oversight: and such a Voluntary Omission in a Citation brought to prove — that in Practice there had been but two Approbations of the House, and no mention of the Vice-Chancellor his interfering for upwards of Seventy Years, I shall leave to the Censure of the Reader — having been myself sufficiently surprized at being told — that *This Omission is not apprehended to be of any Material Consequence.*

It is possible I may hear the same concerning the TOTAL OMISSION of the next Substitution of these Delegates which was made March 28. 1694. and is thus Register'd in the 7th Page of the Volume ab Anno 1693. ad 1703. and is wrote very Fair — in a distinguish'd Part of the Page — and with all the Following initial Capitals — The Date in the Page preceding.

Die Mercurii 28. viz. Die Mensis Aprilis Anno Dom.
1694.

Procuratores eodem die nominabant CUM CONSENSU DOMINI VICE-CANCELLARII Reverendum in Christo Patrem ac Dominum Dominum Johannem permissione Divinâ Oxon. Episcopum & Collegii Magd. Præfidentem; nec non Reverendum Virum Arthurum Charlett S.T.P. & Collegii Univerfitatis Magistrum Statos Delegatos pro Re Typographicâ procurandâ.

I shall observe here that the Approbation of the House is omitted in this Substitution of Stated Delegates for Printing, and likewise in every following Substitution of Stated Delegates both for Printing, and for Accounts (except that of Dr. Lancafter, Nov. 14. 1710. Dr. Leigh, Feb. 26. 1738. and Dr. Blackstone, July 2. 1755.) though expressly requir'd by Statute. Which the PAPER-WRITER might have made good Use of to discard the Authority of the House and establish that
of

Nos Procuratores cum Consensu Domini Vice-Cancellarii hos Reverendos Viros viz. Thomam Brathwaite LL.D. Coll. Novi Custodem & Univ. Oxon. Vice-Cancel. & Robertum Shippen S.T.P. Coll. Æn. Naf. Principalem Status Delegatos pro Re Typographicâ; nec non dictum Robertum Shippen Statum Delegatum pro Computis ad Universitatem spectantibus audiendis in Locos Doctoris Jane & Doctoris Aldrich defunct.

23. April. 1712.

Quibus lectis Procuratores nominabant Reverendum Virum Bernard Gardiner LL.D. Coll. Omn. Animarum Custodem Statum Delegatum pro Re Typographica curanda; nec non Reverendum Virum Franciscum Atterbury S.T.P. Ædis Christi Decanum Statum Delegatum pro Computis ad Universitatem spectantibus audiendis Loco Doct. Brathwaite nuper Coll. Novi Custodis.

From this Time forward every Delegate for Printing is constituted a Stated Delegate with the Vice-Chancellor his Consent,—or with his Consent and the Approbation of the House, as follows.

Oct. 9. 1712.	D ^{res} .	{ Harwar Status Del. pro Comp.	} Cum Conf. Vice-Can.
		{ Atterbury St. Del. Typographicus.	
Nov. 10. 1713.	D ^r .	— Smalldridge St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Jul. 13. 1714.	D ^r .	— Baron St. Del. pro Comp.	
Jul. 9. 1717.	—	— St. Del. Typ.	
Jun. 6. 1719.	D ^r .	— Dobson St. Del. Typ.	
Dec. 10. 1722.	—	— St. Del. pro Comp.	
Oct. 5. 1719.	D ^r .	— Mather St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Aug. 23. 1720.	D ^r .	— Panting St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Feb. 10. 1721.	D ^r .	— Delaune St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Oct. 15. 1722.	D ^r .	— Butler St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Mar. 28. 1715.	D ^r .	— Carter St. Del. pro Comp.	
Dec. 10. 1722.	—	— St. Del. Typ.	
Maii 2. 1728.	D ^r .	— Gibson St. Del. pro Comp. & Typ.	
Maii 16. 1729.	D ^r .	— Hodges St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Mar. 3. 1729.	D ^r .	— Holmes St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Oct. 27. 1730.	D ^r .	— Holland St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Jul. 9. 1731.	D ^r .	— Niblett St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	
Jul. 2. 1734.	D ^r .	— Coxed St. Del. Typ. & pro Comp.	

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The Volume of the Register from the Year one Thousand seven Hundred and Three to Aug. 1730. was so mislaid that the Vice-Chan. knew not where to have recourse to it till the Eighth or Ninth of May last past — *that from 1730 to 1737 was in the Register's Hands.*

I observe upon this Catalogue of the Delegates for Printing from their very Origin, that Four of the real original Delegacy were in the Year 1643. Mar. 18. Delegates of Accounts also — That four of the pretended original Delegacy of the Year 1662. were in the Year 1660. August 10. Delegates of Accounts also. — That D^r. Yates — one more of those Delegates — was made Delegate of Accounts 1666. May 7. — That Obad. Walker was Delegate of the Prefs 1668. and made Delegate of Accounts 1681. — D^r. Aldrich Delegate of Accounts in July 12. 1686. Delegate of the Prefs 1691. — D^r. Levett Delegate of Accounts Dec^r. 6. 1690. Delegate of the Prefs 1691. — D^r. Adams Delegate of the Prefs 1691. Delegate of Accounts July 7. 1692. — That D^r. Charlett was Delegate of Accounts March 2. 1693. Delegate of the Prefs April 28. 1694. — D^r. Gardiner and D^r. Brathwaite made Delegates of Accounts October 5. 1704. — D^r. Brathwaite Delegate of the Prefs March 5. 1710. — D^r. Atterbury Delegate of Accounts April 23. 1712. Delegate of the Prefs October 9. 1712. — D^r. Gardiner April 23. 1712. — D^r. Lancaster Delegate of the Prefs and Delegate of Accounts Novemb. 14. 1710. — D^r. Baron Delegate of Accounts July 13. 1714. Delegate of the Prefs July 9. 1717. — D^r. Dobson Delegate of the Prefs June 6. 1719. Delegate of Accounts Decemb. 10. 1722. — D^r. Carter Delegate of Accounts March 28. 1715. Delegate of the

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