out in the Northern partes thareof, in contempt of our lawes, Wee, out of a confidence of your care and affectione to our service, have been pleased by our lettres unto our counsell to require them (if the Archbischop off S<sup>4</sup> Androis, in behalff of the clergie, shall think it expedient) to grant unto you and your deputies a full commissione for apprehending all suche papistis within all the northerne partes of our Kingdome as are in rebellione and excommunicated, with pouare to intromet with thare lifrentis and escheattis for your owne use, providing it be not imployed to the benefit and use of the rebellis themselves; and to authorise you and your foirsaidis to intercommune with them for the easier bringing in of them, and for the reclaming of them, with the advice of the minister of the parosche wher they dwell, to the churche in a fair maner, some few dayis being granted in which they may not be trubled: Wharein, as wee have see freelie put a charge of suche consequence upon you, see wee will expect at your handis e reall obedience to our pleasour heirin by performing what possibillie can be done by you for the good of our service in this purpose.—Whitchall, the 10 day of December 1629.

## TO THE COUNSELL.

Letter upon the same subject and in similar terms, same date.

## TO THE CHANCELLARE, ERLE OF MARR, AND ADVOCAT.

Right, &c .- Haveing renued the grant given by our royall father of the Abbacic of Inchestray to . Patrik Murray, our sernand, whoe (as wee are credibillie informed) hathe carefullic and faithfullic bestoned great panis and charges in recoverie of the delapidat estate of that Abbacie, in planting the churches thareof, and in releaving many of our subject is from the exactiones of tithemaisters, haveing beside used his best endevouris to evict in a legall maner for our use all thingis of that Abbacic belonging unto us: Tharefore it shalbe thought expedient to unite that Abbacic to our croune: Onre pleasure is, that you tak unto your serious consideratione what satisfactione is fitt for us to give unto oure said seruand for his panis and charges bestoued in that bussienes, and for his long and faithfull service done unto us; And in the meantime that he convert to his owne use see much of the temporalitie and spiritualitie of the said Abbacic, the same being granted unto him, both by our said father and ourselves, as he hath receaved, or shall evict, recover, or receave, ether by course of law, by way of arbitriement, or otherwayis by procuratoric granted to him by us for that effect, to supplie some parte of his charges, and to encourage him to goe on as he hath begune unto such time as there shalbe some course taken further with the estate of all Abbacies there; And that you concurr with him in the meantime, as formerlie you have done, in the recoverie of that estate, especiallic from such as enjoy other men's tithes, and have not submitted unto us. - Whitchall, the 10 of December 1629.

## TO THE ERLE OF LINLYTHQUHO.

Right, &c.—Whareas it hath been shewen unto us, in behalff of the Erle of Marschell, that haveing granted a Commissione for putting of schippis to the sea be vertew of certane articles drawen by our appointment betueen . . . the Duke of Lennox, with consent of the Ladie Dutches, his mother, the said Erle, and you, he cannot have the prises taken be vertew of the said Commissione, or by the fyve or sex shippis reserved unto him by these articles judged by Mr Thomas Nicolsone, advocat, whoe was thareby to have been deputed by you for that purpose, whareby he and his partiners suffer great losses: Understanding that by theis articles is cleerlie condiscendit upon amongis you that the said Erle of Marshall have full right to the profittes of all such lawfull prises, and seing at our desire, and for avoiding of all