



Life in a Revolutionary Decade

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The Banqueting House, Whitehall

THE ^{19.}
World turn'd upside down:

OR,
A briefe description of the ridiculous Fashions
of these distracted Times.

By T.J. a well-willer to King, Parliament and Kingdom.



London: Printed for John Smith. ¹⁶⁴⁶ 1647.
Jan: 26.

The topsy-turvy world of the civil war: wheelbarrows pushing men, horses driving carts, rats chasing cats, fish flying



The Siege of Oxford, 1646, Jan Wyck.



The ruined remains of Old Campden House



A crowd pulling down Cheapside Cross in London, 1643



MPs and soldiers jostling outside Parliament in the 1640s, rocking the ship of state



The BEHEADING of KING CHARLES the FIRST. at WHITEHALL. A.D. 1649.

1649 1650 1651 1652 1653 1654 1655 1656 1657 1658 1659 1660

The Commonwealth

No single head of state
House of Commons sovereign
Council of State executive

The Protectorate

Lord Protector head of state
House of Commons and Lord Protector share
sovereignty



The long-haired 'Cavaliers' and short haired 'Roundheads' inciting their dogs to attack one another.

A Dialogue, or Rather a Parley Between Prince Ruperts Dogge Whose Name is Puddle, and Tobies Dog Whose Name is Pepper, 1643.



Oliver Cromwell by Samuel Cooper (Buccleuch Heritage Trust)



Charles I at his trial, by Edward Bower



John Bradshaw, who presided over the high court.



Marple Hall, Cheshire, childhood home of John Bradshaw



John Bradshaw, from a contemporary painting (Helmington Hall), and his house in Congleton, Cheshire (now demolished).

The Trial of Charles I

John Bradshaw
presiding over the
commissioners and
Charles I in the dock





The great seal of the new Commonwealth, with an image of the House of Commons replacing of that of the monarch



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MERCURIUS Num. 26. 3
PRAGMATICVS

Communicating Intelligence from
 all parts, touching all Affaires, Designes,
 Humours, and Conditions, throughout
 the KINGDOM B.

Especially from Westminster, and the Head-Quarters.

From Tuesday, Mar. 7. to Tuesday, Mar. 14. 1648.

At Westminster, two wondrous Beasts
 This day are to be seen,
 Call'd **LIBERTY** and **PRIVILEGE**,
 (God save the King and Queen.)

Say, Monsters strange, what kin are ye
 To Tygers, or the Lyon?
 For shame boast not your Pedegree
 From the sweet fons of Zion.

This **LIBERTY** first whelps the **CAUSE**;
 The **C.A.U.S.E** then lay as Lurcb,
 To gull the City, damn the Lawes,
 And quite cast into the Church.

But **PRIVILEGE** (ô monstrous thing!)
 Eates up poore Cavaliers,
 Feeds on the Gentry, and the King,
 But next have as the Peccers.

Nemo me impune lacessit.

Way ye Tormentors of the Committee, ye prophane Pick-
 locks, will nothing content your malice against truth,
 but stifling me at the Presse? What will you doe now I am
 abroad

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A PERFECT DIVRNALL OF THE PASSAGES In Parliament:
 From the 27. of Febr. to the 6. of March.
 Collected by the same hand that formerly drew up the Copy for William Cook
 of Furnifalls Inne. and now printed by J. Okes, Pr. Leach,
 and are to be sold by Fr. Coles in the Old Bailey. 1642.
The resolution of the 20th of the Lord B.
 Monday the 27. of February.

The House of Commons this day proceeded in their debate for the speedy expediting of their votes for a Treaty and Cessation of Armes, and the Propositions from the Lord Generall for the limitation and qualification of the said Cessation, and fully agreeing upon the same they added two further votes concerning the said business, very necessary and fitting to be condiscended unto, to this effect, viz. That the said Treaty and Cessation of Armes shall bee no hinderance to any proceedings concerning the allocation of the Counties or the leaving of monies upon the Propositions, or weekly contributions for the maintenance of the Army, and they also voted that they would not accept of a Treaty with any persons to be appointed by his Majesty, without his Majesty himselfe in Parliament. P p Which

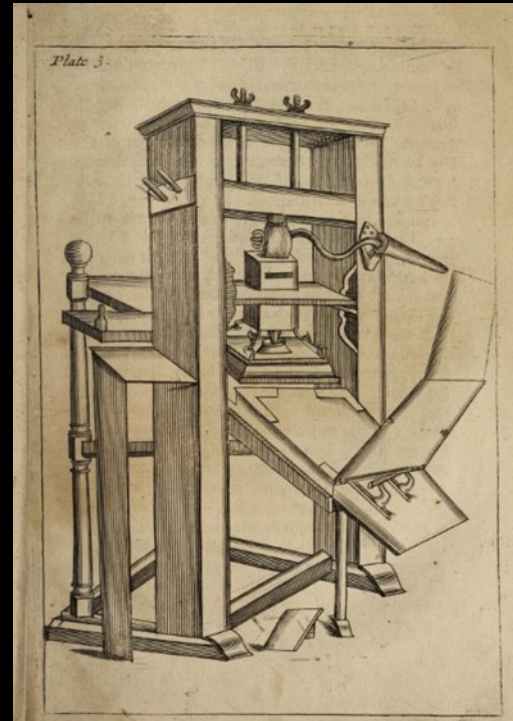
Newspapers
 A novelty produced in
 abundance during the 1640s
 and 1650s and sold across
 the country

Newgate Prison, London

Where Marchamont
Nedham was imprisoned in
1649



The first issue of *Mercurius Politicus* the pro-Commonwealth weekly newspaper edited by Marchamont Nedham



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Mercurius Politicus.

Comprising the Summ of all Intelligence, with the Affairs, and Designs now on foot, in the three Nations of ^{P.P.} ~~London~~ _{R.} England, Ireland, and Scotland.

In defence of the Common-wealth, and for Information of the People.

— Ita vertere Seria Ludo. { Hor. de Ar. Poet.

From Thursday, June 6. to Thursday, June 13. 1650.

WH Y Should not the *Common-wealth* have a *Fool*, as well as the *King* had? 'Tis a point of *State*, and if the old *Court* humors should return in this new Form, 'twere the ready Road to Preferment, and a *Ladies Chamber*. But you'll say, I am out of fashion, because I make neither *Rimes* nor *Faces*, for *Fidlers* pay, like the *Royal Mercuries*; Yet you shall know I have authority enough to create a fashion of my own, and make all the world to follow the humor. Besides, any fashion will fit, being now bound beyond *Berwick*, to strike in with *Bread and Cheese*, and the *Clouted Commissioners*, that are to welcome his *Scottish* Majesty home to the *Stool of Repentance*. For, the truth is, they say, he is coming (with better luck than his *Father*;) only, he lingers a little to learn to catch *Mackerel*, or some other *odd fish* which he hath to *frie* upon his *Landing*.

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International news

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TUESDAY, August 19.

From Rome 31 July.

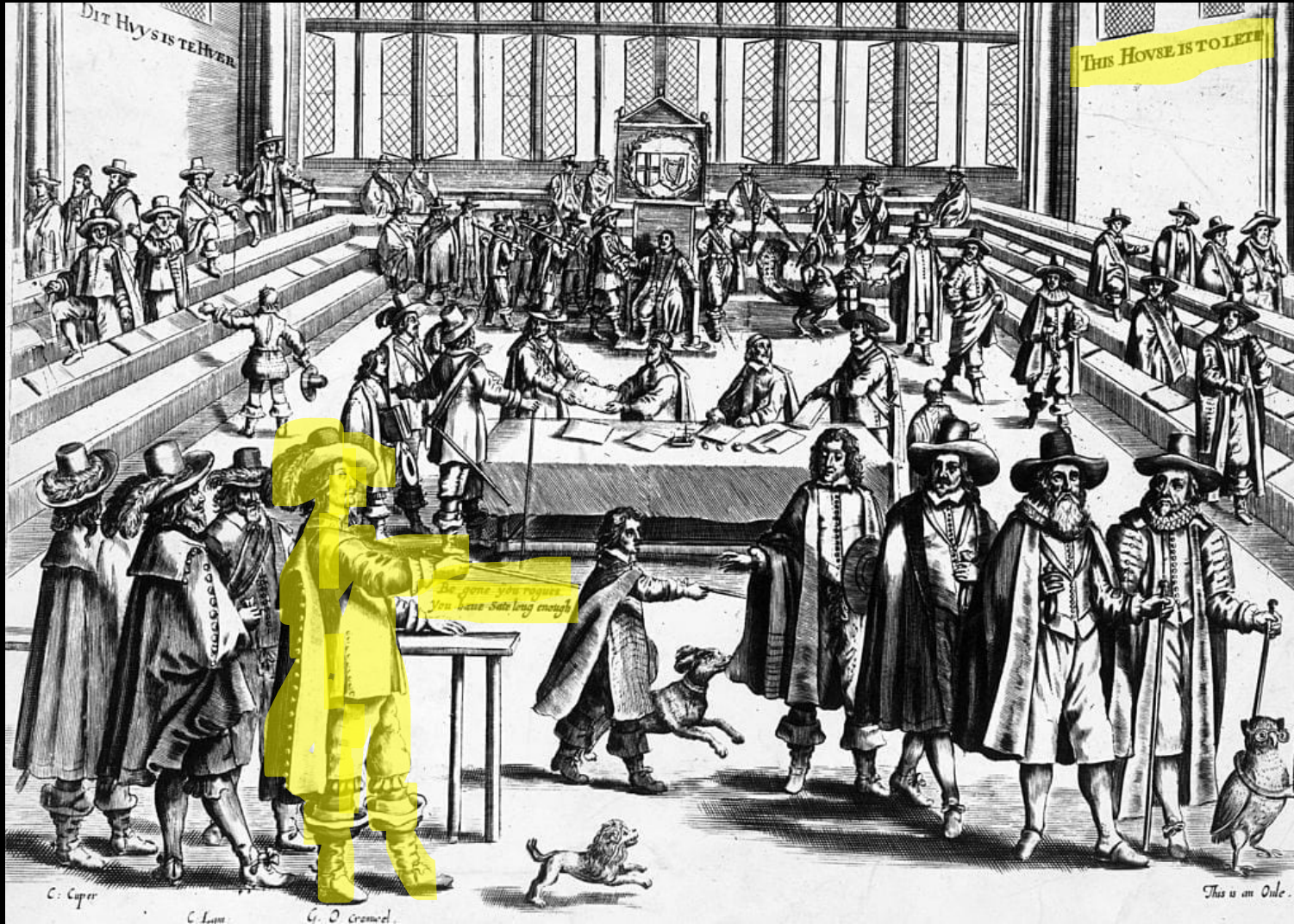
THe indisposition of the *Pope*, which was thought to have been nothing else but the *Gout*, doth appeare to bee somewhat more, his Legs being sweld, and some part of his Body, with much pain. And because his *Attendants* never stir out of his Chamber, it is very difficult to know his Condition. His Majesty of *Spain*, desiring to be inform'd of his health, sent him a very fair *Royall present* of two great *Bezoar* stones, which were brought to his *Holiness's* Chamber dore, the Gentleman that brought them, not being permitted to see him. My opinion is, he is dead.

Missing persons advert

ces, which have been pretty well exhausted from time to time to bear the charges of him, and his Mother, &c

An Advertisement.

A Dumb man who has lived 30 years with *Mistress Younger* at the *Wheat Sheaf* in *Daysirey*, went about 10 daies since 3 or 4 miles out of the *Town* and was never heard of since, if such a one be met with, it would be a good work to direct him home, and thankfully acknolgedged by his *Mistress*.



Oliver Cromwell expelling the Rump Parliament, 1653, telling them to 'be gone', they had 'sat long enough'



Hunstanton, Norfolk

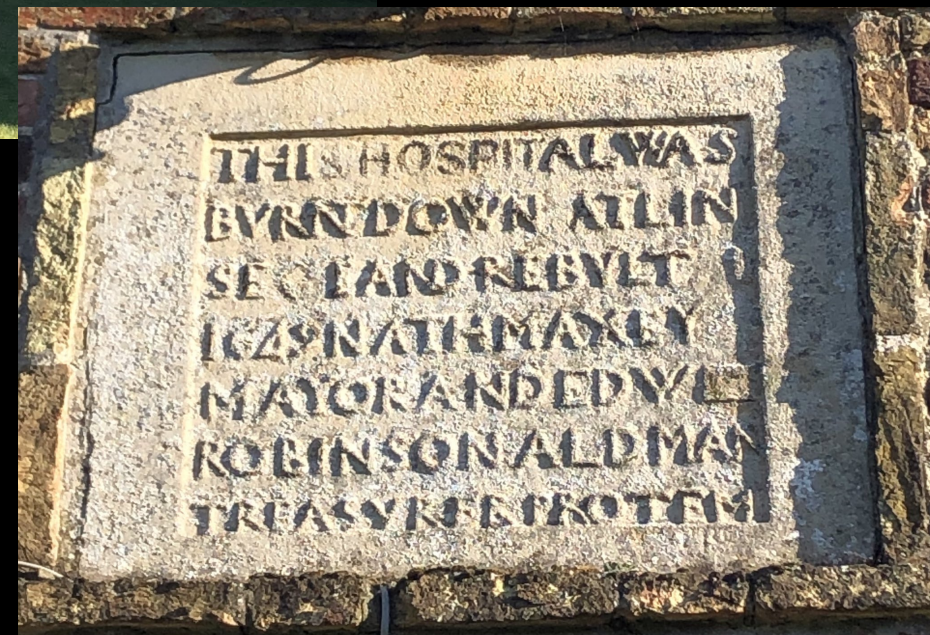




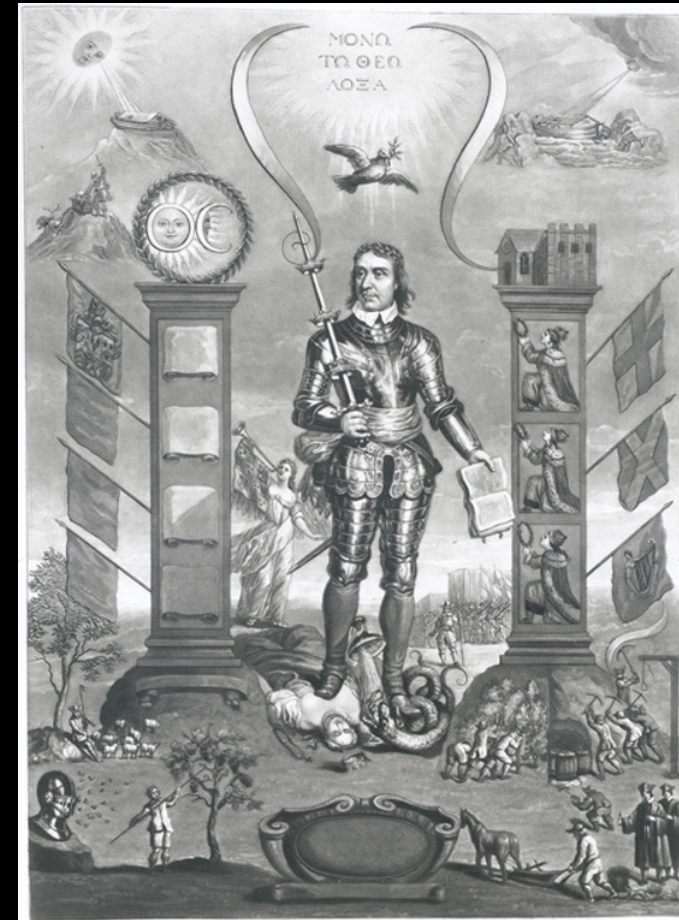
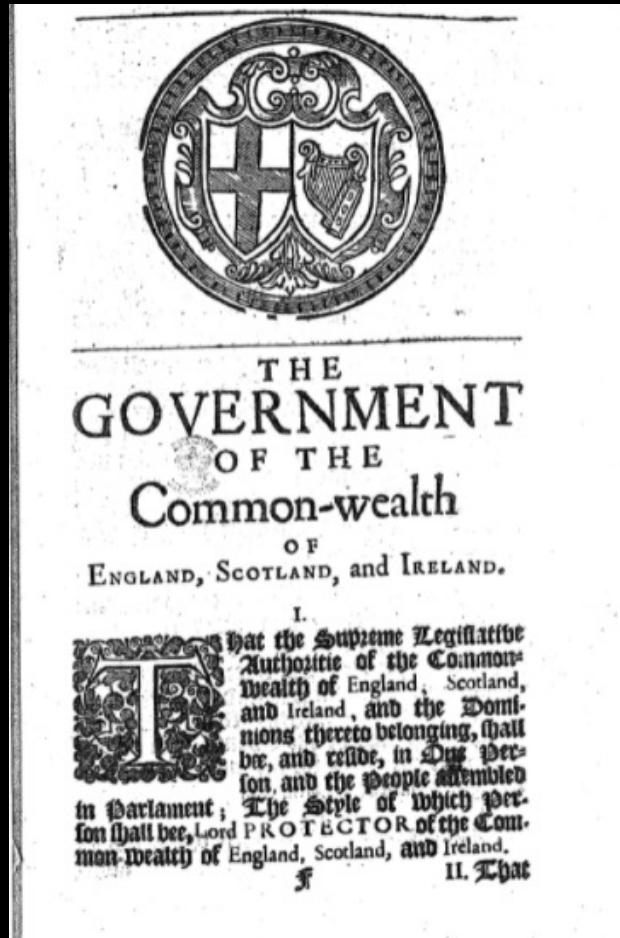
Sir Hamon and Lady Alice L'Estrange of Hunstanton Hall, Norfolk



The Magdalen Almshouses, Gaywood, Norfolk, rebuilt in 1649 after the medieval building was burned down during the civil war



The 'Instrument of Government' creating the Protectorate, 1653



Oliver Cromwell as Lord Protector



Guyhirn Chapel, Cambridgeshire (completed 1660) characteristic of the simple church interiors of the 1650s.



Father Christmas, being shunned by those in authority but welcomed by country folk, 1652/3



Fine clothes bought and worn during the republican period.
Both Hamon L'Estrange and Oliver Cromwell owned red silk suits.



Muffs, a pair of gloves, fans, mask and two kerchiefs, Wenceslaus Hollar, 1647



The 'Paston Treasure', c1663, the collection of Sir Robert Paston of Oxnead, Norfolk.
An 'Aetheopian boy' had also been part of the household at Hunstanton in the early 17th century

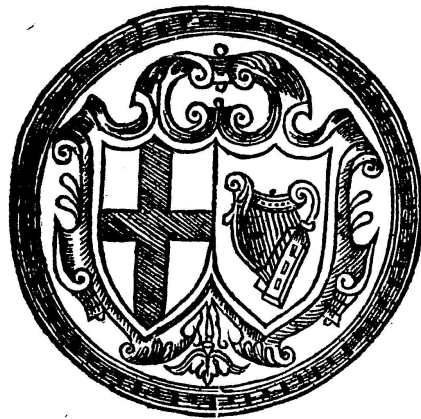


Archbishop Laud, who led the elaboration of worship and English churches under Charles I



A Quaker Meeting (a mid-C17 print)

AN ACT
OF
General Pardon
AND
OBLIVION.



Tuesday the 24th of February. 1651.

Ordere*d* by the Parliament, That this Act, Entituled,
An Act of General Pardon and Oblivion, be Printed
and Published.

Hen: Scobell, Cleric. Parliamenti.

London, Printed by *John Field*, Printer to the Parliament
of ENGLAND. 1651.



Philip Lea, Map of the Caribbean, c1680. Showing Hispaniola outlined pink, Jamaica in yellow to its immediate west, the subjects of the 'Western Design' of 1655



Charles Fleetwood, one of the Major Generals appointed in 1655 to effect greater moral reform and control over England

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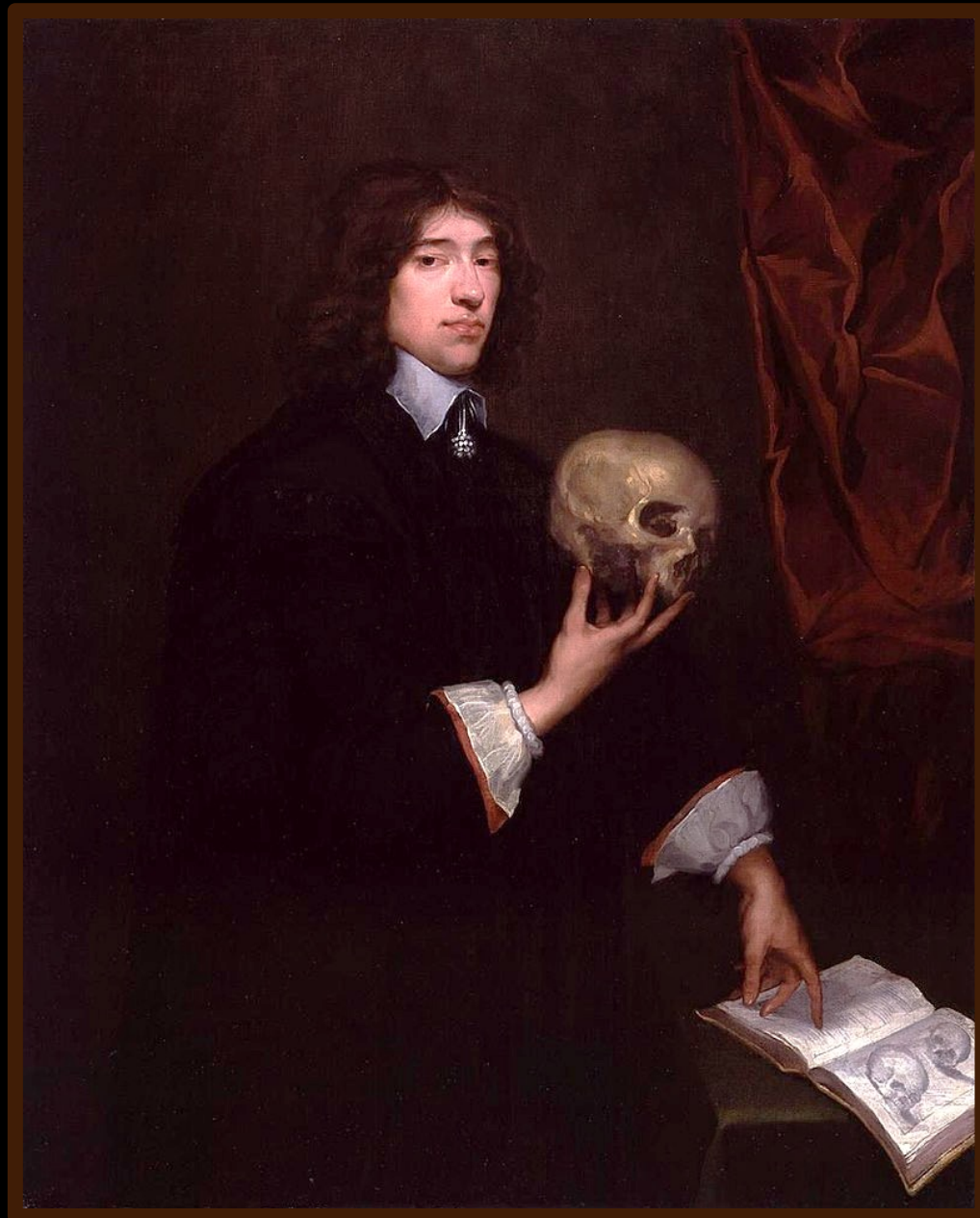
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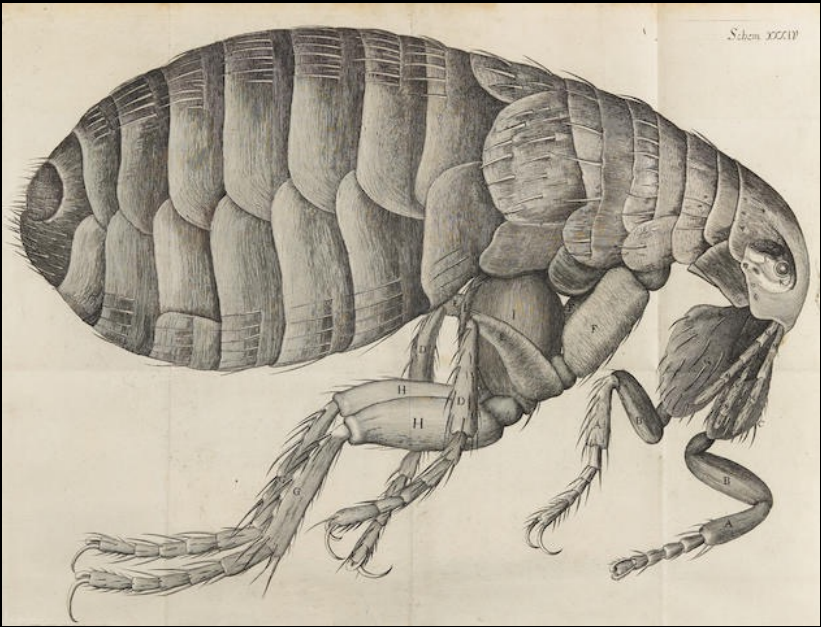
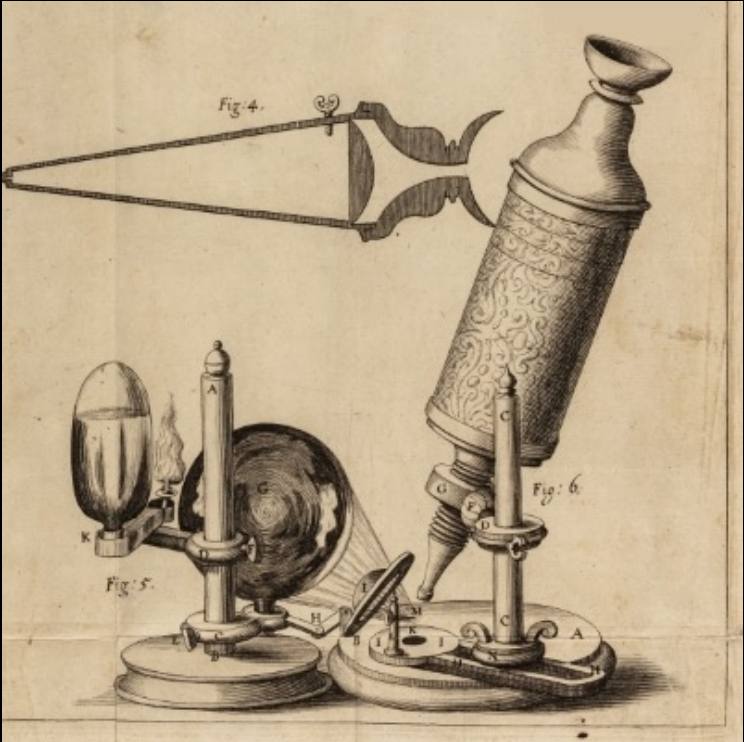
The Bodleian Library, Oxford, in the 17th century



William Petty, appointed
Oxford Professor of Anatomy
in 1651

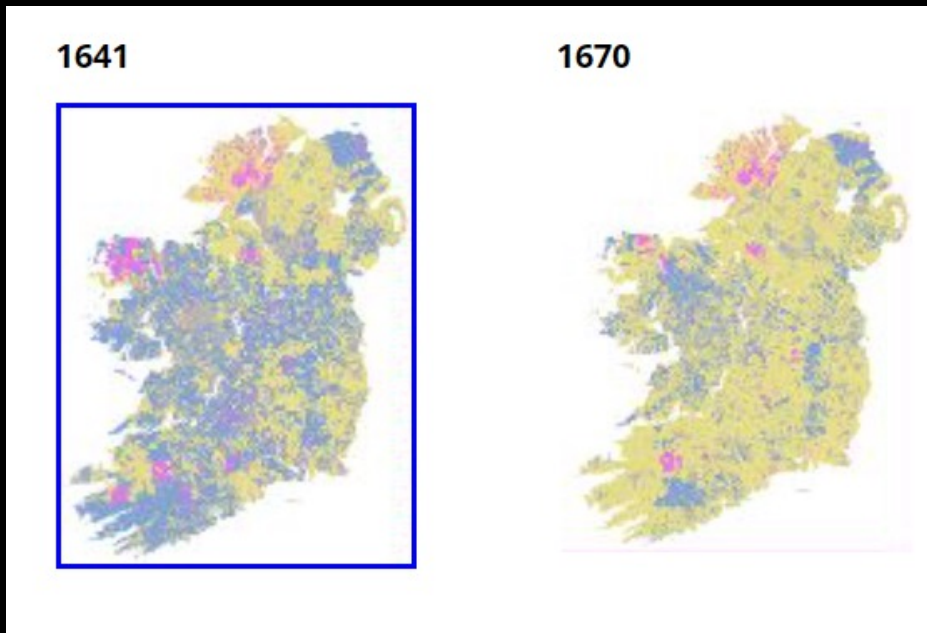
Founder member of the
Oxford Experimental
Philosophy Club – later
renamed the Royal Society.

The activities of the new scientists



The 'Down Survey' of Ireland, 1654-8, created the most accurate national map ever made in the British Isles





Catholic ownership of Ireland (blue) decreased dramatically in favour of Protestants (yellow) with the confiscations in the 1650s at the end of the civil war.



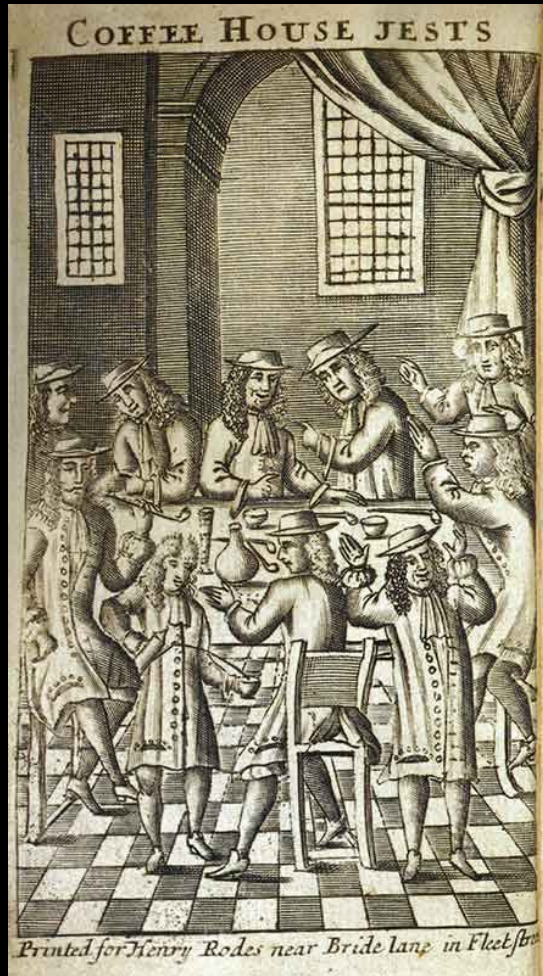
Anne Monck (nee Clarges) and her husband George Monck, whose actions in 1659-60 brought about the Restoration



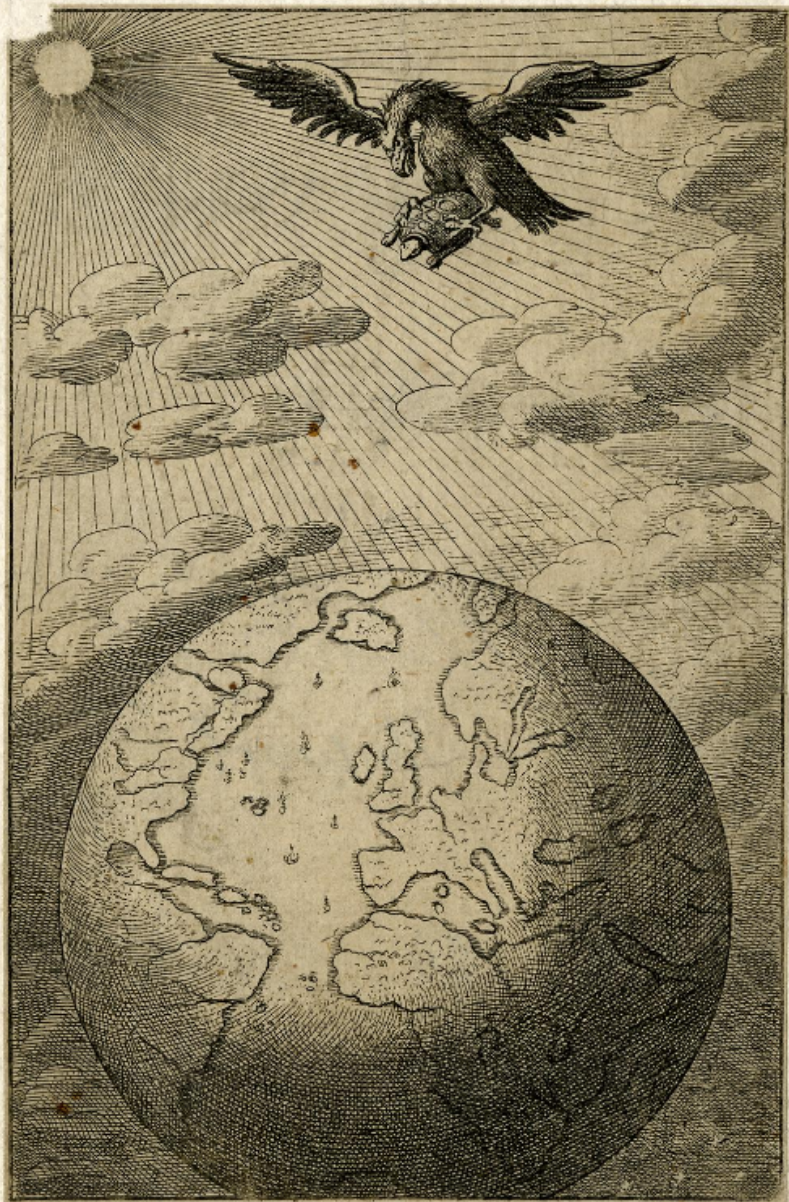
The restored Charles II processing to Parliament, 1660 (with George Monck riding behind him)



Wisbech Castle, Cambridgeshire, built for Secretary of State John Thurloe in the 1650s



New fashions of the 1650s: coffee houses, periwigs for men, opera and musical theatre, newspapers, cosmetic patches.



THE
RESTLESS
REPUBLIC
Britain Without a Crown
ANNA KEAY