

Cambridge University Press

978-1-107-64930-9 - The Early English Dissenters: In the Light of Recent Research
(1550–1641)

Champlin Burrage

Table of Contents

[More information](#)

CONTENTS

VOLUME II

	PAGE
I. Historical Data relative to the English Conventiclers at Bocking and Faversham in 1550 and 1551.	
Various Depositions made about 1550	1
Extracts from the "Privy Council Register" of 1550–1553 relating to the year 1551	4
II. Information concerning the Life and Character of Robert Cooche.	
Part of a Letter of John Parkhurst, Bishop of Norwich, to Dr. Rodolphus Gualtherus (Gualther), dated June 29, 1574	7
Part of another Letter from the same to the same, dated Feb. 6, 1574/5	7
III. Documents pertaining to the Puritan Plumbers' Hall Congregation and to the Separatist "Priuye Church" of Richard Fitz, which "seceded" from it.	
A List of the members of the Plumbers' Hall congregation taken prisoner on March 4, 1567/8	9
"A promyse made by William Bonam precher", 1569, together with the names of twenty-four members of the Plumbers' Hall Congregation who were discharged from Bridewell on April 22, 1569	11
"The trewe markes of Christes church, &c." by "Richarde Fytz, Minister"	13
The Separatist Covenant of Fitz's Congregation	13
A written Petition commencing "O Englande", etc., and signed by twenty-seven members of Fitz's Congregation in the year 1571	15
IV. Miscellaneous Documents relating to the early Barrowists.	
The names of certain Brownists (Barrowists) taken at a Conventicle in Henry Martin's House, October 8, 1587, and examined in the Episcopal Palace, London, on the same day	19

Cambridge University Press

978-1-107-64930-9 - The Early English Dissenters: In the Light of Recent Research
(1550–1641)

Champlin Burrage

Table of Contents

[More information](#)

viii

Contents

	PAGE
Information concerning the Barrowists in 1590	20
Part of a Letter from John Smith to Dr [John] Reynolds, dated February 20, 1592/3	23
The names of several Barrowists who were willing to conform and were evidently bailed some time after April 5, 1593	24
Part of a Letter of John Chamberlain to Mr Dudley Carleton at "Eaton", dated London, October 22, 1608	24
V. Early Manuscript Information concerning the Marprelate Press and the Activities of some of the early Puritans	25
VI. Some of the early Barrowist Depositions.	
Of Clement Gambell and John Dove, March, 1588/9	27
Of Abraham Pulbery, March 7, 1592/3	31
Of John Nicholas, March 8, 1592/3	32
Of William Clerke, March 8, 1592/3	33
Of Richard Hawton, March 8, 1592/3	34
Of John Barns, March 8, 1592/3	34
Of Daniell Bucke, March 9, 1592/3	34
Of John Penryn [Penry], March 26, 1593	37
Of sundry persons abiding in the prisons in & about London, April 3, 4, 5, and 6, 1593	37
Of William Clerke, April 2, 1593	45
Of John Nicholas, April 2, 1593	46
Of George Johnson, April 2, 1593	46
Of John Dalamore, April 3, 1593	47
Of Robert Abraham, April 3, 1593	47
Of Abraham Pulbery, April 3, 1593	48
Of Roger Waterer, April 3, 1593	49
Of Robert Aburne, April 3, 1593	49
Of George Kniveton [Knifton], April 4, 1593	51
Of William Mason, April 4, 1593	52
Of Henry Withers, April 4, 1593	52
Of Thomas Hewet, April 4, 1593	53
Of Christopher Bowman, April 4, 1593	53
Of John Penry, April 5, 1593	54
Of Christopher Simkins, April 5, 1593	55
Of Francis Johnson, April 5, 1593	56
Of John Edwards, concerning John Penry, April 5, 1593 .	57
Of William Smythe, April 5, 1593	58
Of Arthur Billet, April 5, 1593	59
Of Quintin Smyth, April 6, 1593	59
Of William Weaver, April 6, 1593	60
Of Thomas Settle, April 6, 1593	60
Of George Smelles, April 10 [?], 1593	61

Contents

ix

	PAGE
VII. Documents other than Depositions relating to John Penry.	
An undated Petition of Helen Penry's to Sir John Puckering in her Husband's Behalf, written in April, 1593	62
A Note by Penry in defence of Mr. Gittens, Keeper of the "Cownter in the Poultrie in London", dated April, 1593	63
A Subscription of Penry's concerning the Authority of the Queen, of the Privy Council, and of Civil Magistrates, and three other articles which he declined to subscribe	63
"The offers & requestes" of Penry	64
A Letter concerning Penry's Confession of Faith and Apology, dated, "Mon. 6. 12. 1593"	65
Penry's Answer to Fifteen Slanderous Articles, written not long before his death	66
Penry's Confession of Faith and Apology prepared not long before his death in 1593	79
A Letter of Penry's to Lord Burghley, written May 28, 1593	93
VIII. Documents relating to Henry Barrowe.	
An undated Letter of Barrowe's asking for a "christian and peaceable conference" for the settlement of "theis Ecclesiasticall controuersies"	97
Another undated Letter of Barrowe's, requesting a "peceable disputacion" for the settlement of "sondrie Ecclesiasticall differences"	98
"Reasons against Publike disputacion with barow"	99
An extended Letter written by Barrowe a little before his death	100
IX. Three early Barrowist Petitions.	
That of March, 1592/3 to "the high Court of Parliament"	109
That of 1593 for "mercy & vnitie", directed to "the Magistrates of our Most mercifull soueraigne Lady Queene Elizabeth in their seuerall places"	113
That of 1597 to the Privy Council	125
X. Hitherto unnoticed Testimony confirming Robert Browne's opinion of the Reformation in Scotland as published in Richard Bancroft's Sermon preached at Paul's Cross: together with some of the Grounds on which Archbishop Whitgift recommended Bancroft's appointment as Bishop of London.	
A Letter of Sir Robert Naunton to Dr. J. Copcoat, Master of Corpus Christi College in Cambridge, relating to the	

Contents

	PAGE
publication of Bancroft's famous "Sermon preached at Pavles Crosse", and dated November 12, 1589	127
A Letter of Bancroft's, dated December 23, 1589, also relating to his Sermon at Paul's Cross	130
Some of the "Reasons alledged by the Arch Bishop of Canterbury, for Dr Bancroft's being promoted to the Bishoprick of London"	132
XI. The Names of various Persons who had been members of Francis Johnson's Congregation before 1613, including the names of some who had withdrawn from it or been Excommunicated, and of others who had become Wanderers	134
XII. Two Documents relating to the Controversy between the Barrowists and Thomas Drakes.	
The "Seven Demands" of Francis Johnson and his followers, 1595.	138
The "Ten Covnterdemavnds propounded" by Drakes (Draks)	140
XIII. Papers of Henry Jacob's written during the years 1603–1605.	
A copy of the text of Jacob's Letter to the Puritan preachers, sent from Woodstreet, London, on June 30, 1603, with the accompanying form to be signed for use in connection with the presentation of the Millenary Petition to King James I	146
The text of a later, undated, general Letter, also sent from Woodstreet by Jacob with an abbreviated text of the earlier form of subscription and a list of abuses which the Puritans wished removed	147
An undated Petition written by Jacob to the Bishop of London, requesting that he may be released from imprisonment in the Clink	148
Jacob's copy of his Subscription of April 4, 1605	151
The earliest completely developed Independent, or Congregational, Puritan (non-separatist) Catechism in existence, written by Jacob	153
A detached Definition by Jacob of a "true Visible or Ministerial Church of Christ"	161
"A third humble Supplication of many faithfull Subjects in England, falsely called Puritans directed to the Kings Maiestie. 1605." [Corrected by Jacob]	161
Part of a paper apparently written by Jacob nearly a year after his Release from the Clink, and defending his book published in 1604 against the five principal criticisms which had been brought against it	165

Contents

xi

	PAGE
XIV. An unnoticed Letter of Thomas Helwys's. "A note sent by [Thomas] Ellwes [Helwys] one of the elders of the Brownest Church...", September 26, 1608	167
XV. Papers relating to William Sayer. "The opinions defended & published by William Sayer imprisoned in the gaole for the Countie of Norff[olk]" in 1612	169
Part of a Letter of Archbishop Abbot to Bishop Jagon of Norwich concerning Sayer, dated December 1, 1612	170
XVI. Documents relating to the History of the earliest English Anabaptist Congregations. An undated Letter sent by "Hughe and Anne Bromhead" to their cousin, (Sir) William Hammerton, at London, probably written some time in 1609	172
A List of the names of those English people who formed the Remnant of John Smyth's Congregation, and who, probably about February, 1609/10, petitioned that they might be received as quickly as possible into the "true church of Christ.	177
A Short Latin Confession of Faith probably written early in 1609/10 by Smyth	178
An undated Latin Letter from Thomas Helwys's Congre- gation to the Waterlanders at Amsterdam, probably written in 1609/10, urging them not to admit Smyth's Congregation into their membership.	181
A Latin "Synopsis" of the Faith of the "true English Christian Church" at Amsterdam under the Leader- ship of Thomas Helwys, delivered (probably between February and March 12, 1609/10 to the Waterlanders there, with thanks for the teaching they had given them	182
A Letter from Thomas Helwys, William Pigott, Thomas Seamer, and John Murton at Amsterdam to the Waterland Church there, dated March 12, 1609/10, dealing chiefly with the cause of their so-termed ejection of John Smyth and his followers	184
A short Confession of Faith evidently prepared and partially signed by the Remnant of Smyth's Con- gregation early in 1610	187
A Copy of a Letter sent in April, 1610, by the Waterland Church at Amsterdam to the Waterland Congrega- tions outside the city, concerning the admission of the Remnant of Smyth's Congregation into their church membership	200

	PAGE
A Letter from the Waterland Congregation at Leeuwarden to the Waterlanders at Amsterdam, dated May 5, 1610 (Old Style), urging that a union with the Remnant of Smyth's Congregation be not too quickly consummated	203
A Letter of Yeme de Ringh at Harlingen to Lubbert Gerritsz., Hans de Ries, and Reynier Wybrantsz., dated May (15), 1610, and expressing the wish that the Confession of Faith of the Remnant of Smyth's Congregation (in 38 articles) might be sent to Friesland for the perusal of the Waterlanders there	205
A Letter of Willem Janszoon, Teacher at Rynsburg, to Reynier Wybrantsz. at Amsterdam, dated May 18, (1610), concerning the proposed meeting on May 23 for discussion of a union with the Smyth Remnant	207
A Letter from Dirk Pieters at Hoornto Lubbert Gerritsz. at Amsterdam, dated May 21, 1610, in which he excuses himself and three others from attending the meeting on May 23 concerning a union with the Remnant of Smyth's Church	208
The Draft of a Letter sent by the Waterlanders at Amsterdam to the congregation in Leeuwarden, dated July 16, 1610 (New Style), asking for an early answer as to their opinion of the enclosed Confession of Faith in 38 articles, and also of the value of the baptism of Smyth's followers	209
A Letter, dated July 18, 1610, from the Waterlanders in Leeuwarden (Friesland), stating their disapproval of the proposed union with the Remnant of Smyth's Congregation, whose baptism they term something unheard of	211
A Memorandum made by Claes Claeszoon Anslor at Amsterdam on January 17, 1611/12 stating the wish of Lubbert Gerritsz., expressed on his death-bed, that a union between the Waterlanders and the Remnant of Smyth's Congregation might be speedily effected	213
An early English Anabaptist Petition, probably written in 1614 (by Thomas Helwys?)	215
An undated Latin Confession of Faith by Richard Overton, probably written in 1615	216
"A Copie...of an Anabaptists Letter, written to his sometimes accounted Christian Bretheren, shewing the cause of his separation from the Church of England..." signed H.N., and dated London, May 10, 1622	219

Contents

xiii

	PAGE
A Letter from the “teachers and Ministers of the dutch and english Churches” in Amsterdam, dated May, 1624, to the Congregation of Elias Tookey, which had been excommunicated by John Murton and the then existing Five English Anabaptist Congregations	222
A Letter from Elias Tookey and his Congregation at London to the Dutch and English united (Waterland) Church at Amsterdam, dated June 3, 1624, in answer to the preceding communication, and expressing the hope that they may be received into the membership of that Church, etc.	229
A Letter, dated November 12, 1626, from the Five Early English Anabaptist Congregations to Hans de Ries, Reinier Wybrantsz., and their Congregations in Holland, expressing the wish that they might be united with them in one religious communion	233
A Letter of Cornelis Claesz. Anslø of Amsterdam to Hans de Ries announcing the arrival of the two Representatives of the Five English Anabaptist Congregations, and dated November 13, 1626	239
Questions asked by Hans de Ries, about November, 1626, of the two Representatives of the Five English Anabaptist Congregations, with their Answers	241
A Letter of the early English Anabaptist Congregation at Lincoln to the Congregation of Waterlanders at Amsterdam, dated September 5, 1630	243
A Letter written by James Toppe and Israel, his wife, of the early English Anabaptist Congregation at Tiverton, to Hans de Ries in answer to a letter of his dated September 13, 1630	248
A Letter from Leonard Busher to Abram Derikson, dated Delft, December 8, 1642, giving certain facts concerning Busher’s old Age	257
XVII. Documents chiefly relating to the early Brownist (Barrowist) and Independent Congregations on the Continent.	
A Letter of “G(eorge Abbot, Archbishop of) <i>Canterbury</i> ”, probably written to Sir William Boswell, and dated “From Croyden Sept: 4: 1622”	260
An interesting Letter written by John Cotton to the “Lord Bishop of Lincolne, Lord keeper of the great Seale”, dated “Boston [England]. January 31. 1624”	260
A Petition of English and Scottish Ministers in the Netherlands to King Charles I of England against	

Cambridge University Press

978-1-107-64930-9 - The Early English Dissenters: In the Light of Recent Research
(1550–1641)

Champlin Burrage

Table of Contents

[More information](#)

xiv

Contents

	PAGE
six articles exhibited by D.(udley) Carleton. Dated Rotterdam, June 4, 1628	264
Information concerning the English Congregations in the Netherlands between 1621 and 1633	270
A Letter of Alexander Browne to Sir William Boswell, dated Rotterdam, November 1, 1633	272
A Letter of Henry Elsynges to Sir William Boswell, dated Amsterdam, June 6, 1633	273
Part of a letter probably written by Stephen Goffe, of the date 1633	274
Mr Pagetts 20 Propositions to Mr [Thomas] Hooker with his answere thereto	274
English Preachers in the Netherlands [in 1633]	276
A Letter of Stephen Goffe's to Sir William Boswell, dated Leyden, Feb. 28 (New Style), 1634/3 [?]	278
A Letter of Stephen Goffe's to Sir William Boswell, dated Leyden, March 9 (1634/3 ?)	281
A Letter of John Davenport's to Sir William Boswell, dated Amsterdam, March 18, 1634[3 ?]	282
A Letter of Stephen Goffe's to Sir William Boswell concerning the difficulties between John Davenport and John Paget, of the year 1634/3	284
A Letter of Griffin Higgs' to Sir William Boswell, dated The Hague, April 9 (Old Style), 1634	285
A Letter of John Paget's to Sir William Boswell, dated Amsterdam, March 13, 1636 (New Style)	286
A true Relation of the first Erection of an English Church in Utrecht, with the proceedings since	286
A Letter of Robert Crane's to his Cousin, Sir Robert Crane, Knight and Baronet at Chilton, Suffolk, dated Utrecht, 1640, concerning the English Church at Arnheim	291
XVIII. Selected Documents from the Gould Manuscript illus- trative of the History of Separatist and Inde- pendent Congregations in England before 1642.	
The so-called Jessey Records or Memoranda	292
The so-called Kiffin Manuscript	302
("Numb: 23") The History (before 1641) of a Separatist Congregation which usually met in Southwark, and which was composed partly of Pædobaptists and partly of Antipædobaptists	305
XIX. The Names, Trades, and Poor Estate of all the Separatists living in Great Yarmouth about July 17, 1630	309

Cambridge University Press

978-1-107-64930-9 - The Early English Dissenters: In the Light of Recent Research
(1550–1641)

Champlin Burrage

Table of Contents

[More information](#)*Contents*

xv

	PAGE
XX. Reports relating to the Appearance of certain Separatists before the Court of High Commission between April 19 and June 21, 1632	311
XXI. Notice of a Separatist Conventicle taken at a house in "Rederiffe" in December, 1638	323
XXII. Documents relating to the Prison Life and Death of the Separatist, Samuel Eaton. A Petition concerning him which was probably sent to Archbishop Laud in 1638	325
An Account of his Burial, evidently written on August 31, 1639	326
XXIII. A Broadside which mentions the Excommunication of Samuel How, and the place and date of his burial in 1640	328
INDEX	331

Cambridge University Press

978-1-107-64930-9 - The Early English Dissenters: In the Light of Recent Research
(1550–1641)

Champlin Burrage

Table of Contents

[More information](#)

LIST OF ILLUSTRATIONS

(CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED)

First page of Henry Jacob's Copy of his Subscription, April 4, 1605	<i>Frontispiece</i>
Title-page of John Smyth's "A Paterne of Trve Prayer", 1605	<i>To face page 66</i>
Thomas Helwys' Autograph Inscription to King James I, 1612	„ 132
Title-page of Robert Cleaver and John Dod's "The Patrimony of Christian Children", 1624	„ 198
Title-page of the second Impression of "A very plain and well grounded Treatise concerning Baptisme" [? 1648]	„ 264