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Because some unworthy persons whome you know have of late Informed Baronet Trelawny and Mr Rashley abusive untruth against me, I shall doe that I never thought to doe) have you some particulars of my loyalty and services and lett them, whoe under their cupps can drink the king's health and interstes, come see my zeale for the lorde cry up there loyalty when in trully its nothing butt private intertes that they ayme att and as by experience you have seen those who like or the wort of it if they can.

1. Att my being in Spayne in the year 1642, the English merchants there were divided as in England some for the King, some for the Parliament att which time mayntayning the Kings houōr and dignitie I was engaged in a duall.
2. att that time I sent home by a ship called the Pilgrime unto Mr Wm Pendarvies of Roskrow two mare saddles pistolls, carbynes which cost me upwards of £30
3. I lost att sea by the parliment of warr more than shall speak off
4. about july 1682 I came out of Spayne for London and then the King was att Oxford with an Army, I then furnished Thomas Coffin a kinsman of myne with horse, pistolls and money which coste me upwards of £22 and sent him to the Kings Army at Oxford.
5. about the end of 1642 the king had an army which lay at Plymton near Plymouth att which time I came from London into Cornwall by way of Plymouth where I had some ... with a passe from the Lord Mayor of London in company with one Mr James Sutton, a marchant then bound for Malaga, and came unto the Kingss Army at Plymton and gave there just intelligance as was brought from London, and the next day went into Plymouth where I was examined by a Cornish comitty of which Mr John Trefussis of Trefusus was chayrman and by him comitted to prysson for 4 days for that I and all our famylie were Chavaliers and that I was in with Sir Nicholas Slanning of Plymton, after 4 days by means of Mr John Seyntaubin of Clowance and £100 lent him I was sett at libertie and came into Cornwall by way of Saltash where my lord Mahun and severall of the Cornish Cavalier gentry were to whome I gave an account of all I knew att London and on my way.
6. about the end of Feburary the same yeare I returned into Spayne where I stayed till September 1646 and then came home. Pendennis and all the countie being some months before R educed to Cromwells forces.
7. Some years after att the rising of Booth and Penradick I was privie to both there designs by means of the Cavelier gentry aforesaid, butt both proved ineffectuall to the distruction of severall worthy men of that place.
8. there was noe more Endeavour of Restoring the King till about 3 or 4 months before his Restoration and then there was a designe and therein I was employed by the foresed gents, and for my Lord Arundell, Sir John Arundell, Collonell Trelawny and Nicolas Arundell and others in ... from one to the other of ... to carry and settle there Resolutions and these resolved to send into France for Arms to which purpose money was raised and one Anthony Grosse that was living at Haleven in Mylor was sent for France to buy the said Armes which were afterward brought into Loue about the number of 300 firelocks and carried to Trelawn and are as I suppose there att this day. And at this time I was employed by these gentlemen to treat with Capt. Fox, then Governor of Pendennis, about the surrender of that Garison to the use of the King, which I did undertake to dooe. The Garrison at that time was divided, the one part for Fox, the other part for the Anabaptists and fifth

Monarchists, of whom Fox was afraid, of which I took advantage. I discoursed him how he stood with his officers. hee told me very badd and wished hee had as many honest Caviliers in their Roome which I catcht att and told him if hee were in earnest he should not want them, to which he Replyed he wanted money to pay them off' I told him he should not want men or money, for to do him service I would promise a thousand pounds for him, which he kindly thanked me for and for that time went no farther. of this I gave all (to the said gent) with which they were very well pleased with, butt told me to forbare going any further till further Directions, for that they had heard General Monck was moving out of Scotland and till they discovered his intentions would mind no further about these things. I lay at Trelawn severall times as the Baronett if he had been living would testifie One thing more I had almost forgot (that is) att the King's beinge in France, I sent him for Mr Pendarvies of Roskrow, Mr Barkley of Menabilly and myself £300 by the hands of Mr Henry Seamor then of the King's Bead chamber in a bill of exchange. I had of Mr John Lethislure merchant in London and of late years Sherif of London and yet living.

11. Here unto is annexed a certificate of the truth in substance of what I have here said under the hands of severall of the gents. a fuller one I had which I Cannot now find.

12. In Aprill 1660 there was a free parliment Called of which I was a member for the Towne of Penryn, at the which election were Capt. Fox then Governor of Pendennis and Col Thomas Ceely who declared that I was not a fit person to bee a parliamentarian because I had drawne my sword in Spayne in Vindication of the Kings affairs which I owned.

13. After that parliment was dissolved, then was another Called and Mr Pendarves of Roskow elected in my Roome.

14 In the year 1661 his majesty was pleased to make me a Capt. of the Militia of Cornwall, and had to my Company Falmouth, Budock, Mawnan and Mabe and in the year 1664 the Militia of the Nation was by act of parliment Reduced to about 3500 foote and 2 Troopes of Horse) where as before there were about 9000 foote so that 2/3 parts of the Collenell, Captains etc were reduced

15. In the year 1669 his Majesty was pleased t put me in the Commissien of the peace for their County