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**CALL NUMBER:** OSBORN FB158

**CREATOR:** Browne, John, approximately 1608-1691

**TITLE:** [Miscellaneous Parliamentary manuscripts]

**DATES:** [17th century]

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.17 linear feet (1 volume)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Volume, in multiple hands, of seven booklets primarily on such topics as law, Parliament, government, and public finances. Parliamentary items include speeches by Thomas Wentworth, earl of Strafford, and Francis Seymour, Baron Trowbridge, complaining about forced loans, billeting of soldiers, and other grievances; a copy of the Spanish ambassador's complaints against George Villiers, Duke of Buckingham, as well as his own excuses for the conduct of the Spanish during marriage negotiations between Charles I and the Infanta Maria; a Parliamentary grievance against Buckingham; and journal notes for the House of Lords in 1621.

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## Processing Information

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## Scope and Contents

The following finding aid is a complete inventory of the contents of [Osborn fb158](#). This list was reformatted from previously existing cataloging.

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## Collection Contents

### Osborn fb158

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#### ASHE, THOMAS, FL.1600-1618

- b.1 "A Briefe Collection of all generall Penall Statutes now in force..." [c.1607]  
32 p.  
Autograph MS.  
The statutes are arranged under general hearings, with a brief explanation accompanying. Signature of John Browne appears on first page.  
f.i.

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#### CHARLES I, KING OF GREAT BRITAIN, 1600-1649

- b.1 [Speech delivered at the opening of Parliament, 1627/8 Mar 17] [n.d.]  
2 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Requests supply for defense of realm and expresses willingness to forget distractions of the last Parliament.  
Rushworth, v.i, p.476-477.  
f.IIa

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#### SEYMOUR, FRANCIS SEYMOUR, BARON TOWBRIDGE, 1590?-1664

- b.1 [Speech in Parliament, 1627/8 March 22] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Demands redress of grievances before supply granted; grievances include forced loan, billeting of soldiers, imprisonment of gentlemen, etc.  
Rushworth, i, p.499-500.  
f.IIb

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#### STRAFFORD, THOMAS WENTWORTH, 1ST EARL OF, 1593-1641

- b.1 [Speech in Parliament, 1627/8 March 22] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Speaks against forced loans and other grievances.  
Rushworth, vii, 500-501.  
f.IIc.

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#### CHARLES I, KING OF GREAT BRITAIN, 1600-1649

- b.1 [Propositions sent to the House of Commons by the King concerning supply, 1628 Mar 26] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Rushworth, i, 513.  
f.IId.

## ROUS, FRANCIS, 1579-1659

- b. 1 [Speech in Parliament, 1628/9 Jan 26] [n.d.]  
4 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Warns against threats to true religion, especially Arminianism.  
Rushworth, i, 645-646.  
f.IIe.

## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT, 1626. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

- b. 1 [Declaration to the Lords, 1626 Mar 8 or 9] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Concerning having George Villiers, 1st duke of Buckingham (1592-1628) committed to custody.  
Rushworth, i, 357-358.  
f.IIf.

## ELIOT, SIR JOHN, 1592-1632

- b. 1 [Speech in Parliament, 1628 June 3] [n.d.]  
14 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Eliot's speech in response to Charles I's first answer to the Petition of Right.  
Rushworth, i, 591-592.  
f.IIlg.

## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT, 1628. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

- b. 1 [Remonstrance of the Commons to the King against the duke of Buckingham, 1628 June] [n.d.]  
17 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Concerns grievances and evils which are attributed to the excessive power of George Villiers, 1st duke of Buckingham (1592-1628).  
f.IIh.

## [SPANISH AMBASSADOR]

- b. 1 [Petition to James I against the Duke of Buckingham, 1624] [n.d.]  
4 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Complaints of the duke's all-encompassing power, and excuses for the conduct of the Spanish during marriage negotiations.  
Rushworth, i, 145.  
f.IIi.

## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT, 1621. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT, 1621. HOUSE OF COMMONS. (continued)

- b.1 [Debate on foreign affairs, Spain, and the Palatine, and religion. 1621 Nov] [n.d.]  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Includes a purported letter from Pope Gregorius XV (1554-1623) to Louis XIII, King of France (1601-1643).  
CJ, I, 644-647.  
f.IIj.

## BROWNE, JOHN, D.1691

- b.1 "A Catalogue of the Nobility of England according to their creations" [n.d.]  
[1625 or later]  
6 p.  
Autograph MS.  
Lists creations from reign of Henry II to 1625.  
f.IIIa.

## BROWNE, JOHN, D.1691

- b.1 [Receipt for payment of annuity, 1640 June 5] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
Autograph MS.  
Money received by John Browne for the fee of his office from Sir Richard Younge, Clerke of the Hanaper in the Chancery, bart., d.1651?  
f.IIIa

## [ANONYMOUS]

- b.1 [Oath of the Clerk of Parliament] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
MS copy in the hand of John Browne.  
17th century.  
f.IIIb.

## BROWNE, JOHN, D.1691

- b.1 [Memorandum on trade, 17th century] [n.d.]  
3 p.  
Autograph MS.  
Apparently notes from a speech in Parliament. A list of reasons for the decline in trade and suggestions for its recovery.  
f.IIIc.

## [ANONYMOUS]

- b.1 [Homages of the Spiritual and Temporal Peers at the Coronation of the King, 17th century] [n.d.]  
1 p.  
MS copy in the hand of John Browne.  
Two oaths, one for bishops and one for lay peers.

## COTTON, SIR ROBERT BRUCE, BART., 1571-1631

- b. 1 "Certaine ge[ner]all rules collected concerning Money and Bullion out of the late consultacon at Cort by Sr Robert Cotton Kt and Barronett and delivered to his Maty at the Bords, 1626" [n.d.]  
5 p.  
Contemporary MS copy, incomplete.  
f.III d.

## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT, 1621. HOUSE OF LORDS.

- b. 1 [Journal notes for 1621 March-May] [n.d.]
- b. 1 120 p.  
Contemporary MS. Memorandum of business, including two speeches by the King and Accounts of the trials of Sir Giles Mompesson (1584-1651?), Sir Henry Yelverton (1566-1629), and Francis Bacon, Viscount St Albans (1561-1626).  
f.III e.

## CHARLES I, KING OF GREAT BRITAIN, 1600-1649

- b. 1 [Questions of the King on points of constitutional law and replies of the judges, c.1628] [n.d.]  
8 p.  
Contemporary MS copy in the hand of John Browne. Includes the three questions on habeas corpus put to the judges 27-31 May 1628, and concerns parliamentary privileges from 25 April 1629. Also an opinion of scutage.  
f.III f.

## [ANONYMOUS]

- b. 1 "Reasons humbly offered to the Duke of Albemarle, against his going Governour of Jamaica" [c.1687] [n.d.]  
3 p.  
MS. Points out the great expense of the office and how little Christopher Monck, 2nd duke of Albemarle (1653-1688) can afford it.  
f.IV.

## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT. HOUSE OF LORDS.

- b. 1 [Fees payable to the Clerk of Parliament by the Lords, 17th century] [n.d.]  
5 p.  
Includes a sale of fees due to various clerks by the Lords, depending on the title of the peer. Also fees for services.  
f.V.



## GREAT BRITAIN. PARLIAMENT, 1646.

- b.1 "A Declaration of the Lords and Comons in Answer to the Scotch Papers" [n.d.]  
[1646 Nov 28]  
62 p.  
Contemporary MS copy.  
Maintains the sole rights of England  
to dispose of the person of the King.  
Rushworth, vi, 341-372.  
f.VI.
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## [ELSYNGE, HENRY, 1598-1654]

- b.1 "Modus tenendi Parliamentum apud Anglos" [n.d.]  
[c.1625]  
120 p.  
Contemporary MS copy in English.  
Contains only Chapter 1 of the first  
book. Book 1 was published in 1663  
with the title: The Ancient and  
Present Manner of holding Parliaments  
in England.  
f.VII.
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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Law -- Great Britain  
Nobility -- Great Britain

### **Geographic Names**

Great Britain -- Foreign relations -- Spain  
Great Britain -- Politics and government --  
1603-1649  
Spain -- Foreign relations -- Great Britain

### **Genres / Formats**

Commonplace books

### **Names**

Ashe, Thomas, active 1600-1618  
Braye, Alfred Verney-Cave, Baron, 1849-1928 --  
Bookplate  
Browne, John, approximately 1608-1691  
Buckingham, George Villiers, Duke of, 1592-1628  
Charles, King of England, I, 1600-1649  
Strafford, Thomas Wentworth, Earl of,  
1593-1641

### **Corporate Body**

Great Britain. Parliament