
APPENDIX 6

Royal Entry of Katherine of Aragon, November 1501

This appendix provides examples, from manuscript records of the royal entry of Katherine of Aragon in November 1501 (see Appendix 1), of the types of entry records not normally transcribed for The Records but included as references either in explanatory notes to the transcribed records or within diamond brackets below the relevant dated listings in Appendix 1. Such records appear in the main body of the collection only when interwoven in the manuscripts with records of theatrical activity or music. Largely such excluded records involve one or more of riders to meet the entrant at his/her approach to the city, the rails behind which companies stood along the entry route, the ‘standings’ (or platforms, including rails) upon which they stood, the breaking and subsequent repairing of the pavement where the standings rails were placed, costs of food and drink, sand or gravel laid down on London Bridge and in the streets (to cushion the horses’ hooves and prevent them from sliding), gifts, detail of liveries worn, debts for riding costs, fines of those absenting themselves from riding (attendance on these occasions being normally compulsory for company members), and other such non-musical, non-theatrical elements of these occasions. (For the cushioning of horses’ hooves, see Leland, *Collectanea*, vol 4, p 10.) Such elements were standard for major entries, and many of them also for more routine entries not usually involving theatrical activity and for which there are normally no records of music (although trumpets, at least, must almost invariably have been used). Also, although approvals of assessments to cover the city’s costs at royal entries have been included within The Records, detailed collection arrangements and arrears, such as those transcribed below from Repertory 1, are normally merely cited in endnotes or in Appendix 1 listings.

Katherine of Aragon and Prince Arthur (heir to the throne of England) had been married to one another by proxy in May 1499, but Katherine’s arrival in England had been delayed until late 1501, when finally she arrived at Plymouth on 2 October. A lengthy progress to London then took place, with the royal entry through the city (from Lambeth) on 12 November and the wedding at St Paul’s on 14 November. On 16 November the court moved by water from the city to Westminster, for celebrations there with tournaments, banquets, and the like. On 26 November a civic escort accompanied the court up the river from Westminster to Mortlake (adjacent to Richmond). (See the main records transcribed under 1499–1500, 1500–1, and 1501–2; also Appendix 1 under 1501–2 (12, 14, 16, and 26 November) and the *ODNB*.) The events preceding and following 12 November were

not part of the royal entry through the city; but company non-musical, non-theatrical records of them have nevertheless been included below because, relating to the same period of celebration, they extend the range of examples of records not typically included within The Records.

Several of the records require the provision here of additional information. For an explanation of the last line of the items from Repertory 1, see the related Mercers' Company's record below. The manuscript heading (not transcribed) for the payments from f 32v of the Bakers' Company's accounts states that this account is for two years, 15 and 16 Henry VII (that is, 22 August 1499 to 21 August 1501); since the company's accounting year generally runs from one 23 November to the next, and the record concerns the 12 November royal entry, the heading almost certainly indicates 23 November 1499–23 November 1501. In the first Brewers' Company record, a list of sixty-four names, at 6d each, precedes the total transcribed. The third Brewers' record refers to jousts; records of tournaments or joustings which do not mention either music or theatrical elements such as role-playing are by standard REED policy excluded from The Records, and in any case these specific jousts are at Westminster.

The Drapers' Company's record of barge hire to Westminster with the king is internally dated 20 November; after the wedding on 14 October the court, as noted above, travelled by water to Westminster on 16 November (see Appendix 1), so either the 20th is a payment (not event) date or (much less likely) there was another occasion on the 20th requiring an escort. A Drapers' record of payment concerning the water escort to Mortlake is included in The Records because referring to music, and is also dated later than the date, according to other sources, of the occasion itself.

The reference to Southampton in the Grocers' Company's payments transcribed is related to Katherine of Aragon's arrival on 2 October at nearby Plymouth; she was supposed to have landed at Southampton (see Kipling, *Receyt*, p 115). In the items from the Skinners' Company's accounts, the reference in the second-to-last payment to 'all' the times includes not only the occasions mentioned in the payments transcribed but also the occasions of the hire of barges to Westminster for the sheriffs' presentation in September 1501 and for the mayor's oath-taking in October 1501 (both occasions with transcribed records in the main body of this collection). The transcribed record from f 60 of the Wiresellers' Company's accounts is followed in the manuscript by a list of names and sums, but no total is provided, and not all of the individuals listed may be providing money for this particular purpose; after the first eight names come three without a sum (one of which is deleted), and of five further names, one is paying for two or three years, one for two years past, one in part payment of a fine, and one for this year.

The Goldsmiths' Company was no doubt heavily involved in the receiving of Katherine of Aragon, since goldsmith John Shaa was mayor of London in November 1501. A manuscript record (Goldsmiths' Hall: ms 1520, p 385) of fines for two individuals absent when the company 'ffetched the prynce & pryncesse frome Grenewiche' does not seem, however, to be related to the entry, and the record has therefore not been included below.

No editorial headings have been supplied for the records other than those in the manuscripts themselves. The records have been ordered as in any one year of The Records.

For all document descriptions, except for the Wiresellers' Wardens' Accounts below, see The Documents.

Wiresellers' Wardens' Accounts

The accounting year runs most often from one November to the November two years later, for the Pinners, and apparently August/September to August/September in either two-year or three-year spans, for the Wiresellers. Further detail on the contents of the manuscript is provided in the BL Catalogue of Additions, vol 8: 1846–1847 (1864), 197–8.

London, British Library, ms Egerton 1142; 15th to 16th c.; Latin, English; vellum; v [iv plus paper cover] + 70 + iv [paper cover + iii]; c 233mm x c 173mm; modern arabic pencil foliation (cited) at upper right of rectos, different arabic ink foliation also at upper right of rectos; nine gatherings of original leaves, sewn onto guards, 1976 BL binding of brown leather and cloth over boards; title on spine: 'PINNERS | OF | LONDON | 1464 | BRITISH | LIBRARY | EGERTON | MS. | 1142.' ms includes saints' calendar in red and black lettering; petition and proposed ordinances 1462–3; mandate to mayor regarding act against importation of foreign wares 1463; wardens' accounts of the Pinners' Company 1462–4 to 1495–April 1497; wardens' accounts of the Wiresellers' Company April–August 1497, 1497–9 to 1507–10 (only a heading for 1499–1501 account); account heading only, dated 23 September 1511; petition by Pinners and Wiremongers for amalgamation of the two companies as Wiresellers, 2 March 1497, and proposed ordinances.

1501–2

Court of Aldermen, Repertory 1 LMA: COL/CA/01/01/001

f 90v

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¶ Eodem die *datus* est dies cuilibet *Aldermanno* ad inportanda arreragia 5
denariorum assessorum super wardas suas erga aduentum domine katerine
filie Regis [e] Ispanie die Iouis proximo sequenti [s] & hoc sub pena
inprisonamenti

Memorandum Clerici Maioris [⟨.⟩] & *vicecomitum* erunt contributorij Ad 10
omnia onera &c.†

°Adnullatum postea Ad Curiam tempore Rest Maioris†°

Item Consideratum est quod clerici curie Maioris et clerici computa^λto^λriorum 15
[de] nec non seruientes et valecti Maioris et *vicecomitum* de cetero erunt
contributorij ad omnia onera assessa sicut alij ciues secundum facultates
suas [se] ita tamen quod de vigilijs & ceteris officijs viz. constabularijs et
similes penitus exonerabuntur

5/ Eodem die: 2 December
7/ filie: e corrected over j

13/ computa^λto^λriorum: for computatorij
17/ similes: for similibus

ffinis ¹xx^{ti} li. assessus super [s] Misteram Mercerorum

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Armourers and Brasiers' Wardens' Accounts

LMA: CLC/L/AB/D/001/MS12065/001

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f 26v (24 June 1501–24 June 1503)

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Item payd for brekyng of the pament In cornell when ye lady katerine come to london

viiij d.

Item payd to Richert smythe carpynter for makyng of ye Raylles for ye standyng

xiiij s. iij d.

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Item payd for di. a C of vj dj. nayll for ye Rayll

vj d. ob.

Item payd for caryge of the same Rayll

⟨..⟩j d.

Item payd for a lode of gravell

iiij d.

Item payd for st⟨..⟩ys for ye pament

vj d.

Item payd for the ⟨...⟩yng of the same pament

ij s.

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Bakers' Audit Book LMA: CLC/L/BA/D/001/MS05174/001

f 32v (1499–1501) (*Payments*)

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Item for the takyng vp of the pament where your standding was the tyme the princes came oute of spayne in to london. vj d. Item paid to thomas A wode Carpenter. for xv. yearrd of lengithe Closid be four & be hynd be Cavse of pres of the peopill .xij. s. Summa

xij. s. vj d.

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Item for the pavyng & dreshing of the same pament Ageynne

iiij. s. iiij d.

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Brewers' Wardens' Accounts LMA: CLC/L/BF/D/001/MS05442/001

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p [8] of 1501–2 account (*Rendered 21 February 1502/3*)

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Mony Resseved ffor Stondynge in cornell†

xxxij ss. [vj d.]†

Item the Seid Accomptauntes Chargeth them Selff with certayn mony by them Ressaued of dyuers personez beyng in the leuerey of Blew toward the costes made And Raled in Cornell at commyng In of the lady princez kateryn kinges doughter of Spayn Married to arthur prince of ynglond

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Summa xxxij s.

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14/ iiij d.: probable reading; sum not clear

p [15] of 1501–2 account (*Customary expenses*)

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Item Paid ffor Makyng of A Raile for the hole Company of
our crafte made by Iohn Clerk Carpenter In cornell At
Ressauyng of my lady princez katernyn secund doughtan 5
vnto kyng of Cspayn Maried vnto Arthur Prince of Inglond
the first son of kyng henry vijth xliiij s. xj d.

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p [17] of 1501–2 account (*Costs of various dinners*) 10

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ffirst costes made of A dener vnto the hole Company In the
lyuerey beyng present with [the] Sir Iohn Shaa knyght then
Maire In takyng his othe At westminster the Barons of the
kynges eschequer then kepyng ther court at that tyme In the 15
kynges Stondyng then at that tyme ordendyned and made
for the Iustes at the Mariage of prince Arthur And Katernyn
secund doughter of kyng of Spayn liiij s. vj d.

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Carpenters' Wardens' Accounts LMA: CLC/L/CC/D/002/MS04326/001 20
f 90v (*15 August–15 August*) (*Hall payments*)

...

Item paid for xxiiij^{ti} yardes of Rayle for the Crafte to stand
in At the Comyng of the prynses of spayne xvj s. viij d. 25
Item paid for pavyng of the holys there the Rayle stode
ij s. iiij d.

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Drapers' Wardens' Accounts DH: MS WA2 30
f 72 (*c 15 August–c 15 August*) (*Payments*)

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Item to Crosby Carpenter for the fraym in Chepe where we
stod at the commyng in of the princes dame katernyn ovte of
Spayne [^]lxxx in our lyuerey.^{o1} xxx s.
Item for drinking money to the Carpenters at diuers tymes viij d. 35
Item for Bargehire to Westminster with the king the xx^{ti}
day of Nouembre xiiij s. iiij d.

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5/ doughtan: *for* doughter

6/ Prince: e corrected over another letter

7/ vijth: v corrected over s or f

Founders' Wardens' Accounts LMA: CLC/L/FG/D/001/MS06330/001

p 47 (16 September–16 September) (Payments)

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Item paid for the standyng of our Compeigny[g] and pavyng
of the ground

xxj s. [v]ij d. 5

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Grocers' Memorandum, Ordinance, and Account Book

LMA: CLC/L/GH/A/006/MS11570A

p 95 (19 July–18 July) (Payments)

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Item for Costis of two persons Riding to Southampton iij li. iiij s. viij d.

Item for makyng of Railles in Chepe at the princesse
comyng

v li. xj s. iiij d.

Item in Expenses the same tyme

xij s. vij d. 15

Item for Costes goyng to Richemount with the princesse

xlj s. iiij d.

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Ironmongers' Register LMA: CLC/L/IB/D/001/MS16988/001

f 87 (15 July 1501–5 July 1503) (Payments)

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Whan The Prynse was Received yn to london

ffyrste payde to A Carpynter for to make A frame for

The felyschype to stande yn to se her Summa

x s. vj d. 25

Item payde to iiij laborers for A daye to set yt wpe

xx d.

Item payde for Caryinge of the tymber And Borde

viij d.

Item payde for naylynge of the Same

vij d. ob

Item payde for brede and Ale Candylle & for scharpyng
of þe ssryn

viij d. 30

Item payde for pavyng a gen of the Strete

ij s. iiij d.

Summa xvj s. v d. ob./

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Mercers' Acts of Court MH: Acts of Court 1

f 122v (17 December)

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For the
mercymnt of
the barge

¶ Where as diuers persones of oure lyuerey com not to the barge when the
kynges good grace went from Westminster to Mortelake/ and also som that
come late/ where thorough grete displeasure was taken by my lorde Mayre
& my Maisters thaldermen In so myche they in a Courte holden at the

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yelde hall *mercyde* oure felishipp for the said trespas at vj li. xiiij s. iiij d. for the repayment of the same it is agreed that it shalbe levied uppon suche *persones* as were warned and made defaute &c.

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Skinner's Receipts and Payments LMA: CLC/L/SE/D/007/MS30727/001
f 156 (10 June–26 May) (*Payments*)

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Item paid for the hyre of a Bote of vj owers to accompany and to attende vpon the prynces from london to Westmynster	vij s. vj d.	10
Item rewardyd the Botemene and for brede and Drynk spent vpon theym and <i>our</i> company	xviiij d.	
Item for the hyre of a grete Bote to Wayte vpon the prynces from Westmynster to Rychemond	xv s. vj d.	
Item rewardyd the Botemen	xviiij d.	15
Item paid for Rysshes for the said Barges and Botys by all the said tymes	xij d.	
Item paid for <i>our</i> Scaffold stondyng in Chepesyde ayenst the commyng yn of the prynces to london	xl s.	

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Wiresellers' Wardens' Accounts BL: MS Egerton 1142
f 58v (1501–4)

Item payd to thomas A wod Carpynter ffor makyng off owr skaffowlld A yen the prynces cam in v s. j d. and to the laboras ffor makyng off the hollys ffor the tymbyr and ffor the stopyng A yen ij s. ij d.	25
Item payd att ij tymes [fo] to the karter ffor bryngyng owr [(>ey)] stuff ffrom Ihon Allsopp one tyme iiij d. the second tyme iiij d.	
Item payd ffor the hangyng up of owr clothys And bestoyng off owr stuff	j d.

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Receued off the brether to the makyng off the skaffolld in Cornell ayen the prynsses cam

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36–7/ Receued ... cam: followed by a list of 8 contributions totalling 11s 4d