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## Tragedy Strikes in Verona, Italy Catastrophe ends the feuding between the Montagues and Capulets

VERONA – Feuding between the Montague and Capulet families, which has been transpiring for what seems to be ages, has ended, yet with a high price.

The conflict had escalated to its peak over the last week; seven days ago a fight broke out in the city streets between some servants, six days ago Mercutio Martello and Tybalt Capulet were slain, and yesterday the climax was reached.

First reports of conflict yesterday were reported by the page of Paris Moluzo, who had rushed to the watchmen of the Capulet estate for assistance. He reported a fight between his master and Romeo Montague in the Capulet sepulcher.

The watchmen rushed to the scene, only to find Paris, slain; Romeo, killed by poison; and Juliet, who had been presumed dead, killed by a dagger. Also in the vicinity of the area was the servant to Romeo, Balthasar, and Friar Lawrence of Verona.

Investigation by Prince Escalus led

to the conclusion that Romeo had killed Paris and had poisoned himself next to Juliet's resting place.

After questioning the friar, the missing links to what had transpired were discovered. The friar divulged that he had married Romeo and Juliet three days ago in secret. After Romeo had been expelled from Verona for crimes, Juliet learned of her parent's intentions to be married to Paris. At this, according to the friar, Juliet came to see him and threatened to kill herself if not given another option. The friar decided to give her a vial with a solution that would make her appear deceased for two and forty hours, and instructed her on exactly when to use it; their plan was to have Romeo meet her when she woke.

However, Romeo did not receive notice of her false death but only news of her actual death, and he made haste for the tomb in which Juliet lay.

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## Globe Theatre Reassembled

Owners expect large profits  
from plays by Shakespeare

LONDON – Richard and Cuthbert Burbage have almost completed the relocation of the Globe theatre to the southern bank of the Thames in Bankside.

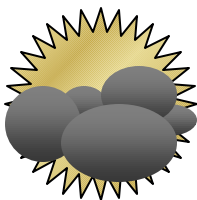
After receiving a threat from the landowner at its former location in Shoreditch to have it demolished (since the lease had long expired), the Burbage brothers managed to move the theatre to its new location.

Its new location, while in the midst of an avid play-going population, is in the vicinity of the Rose and Swan Theatres, which are already competing for business. The Burbage brothers do not seem in the least bit worried about this predicament.

"In addition to the Globe's physical characteristics we have employed a prospective playwright as well, which

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## London's Weather



Overcast;

High 64, Low 49

Chance of Rain: 20%

special note:

sorrow in the air

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# Globe Theatre Vies for Playgoers Along the Thames

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will contribute to our booming business,” said C. Burbage.

The design of the theatre is quite unique. In front of the stage there is a yard for 1,000 standing viewers, and in the surrounding gallery of three tiers approximately 3,000 can be seated.

Special features that the actors can make use of are numerous. “There is a trap door under the stage area and a winch line that extends from the ceiling,” said builder Peter Street. “these features provide for some astounding entrances.”

Reporters for *The London Gazette* interrogated the builders and actors for more details but no additional information was revealed.

“We hope that the most astounding features of our playhouse will remain secret as that our audiences will not

have any clue as what to happen,” said R. Burbage stubbornly. “You can, however, be expecting some outstanding performances by our actors and to be moved by some excellent plays.”

The cost for a place in the yard is one pence, while an expense of 2 or 3 pence is necessary for seating in the galleries.

The Burbage brothers approximated a profit of 40 dollars per performance. The Burbages plan to take 50% of the profit, the remaining percentage to be split among the investors William Shakespeare, John Heminges, Augustine Phillips, Thomas Pope and Will Kempe.

Opposition to the theatre’s opening is expected from the owners and investors of other theatres in the region as well as other groups, including medical professionals. Due to the



**The Globe Theatre as from the Balcony.**

close proximity of viewers, there is a fear of the spread of disease. Also, some fear that the theater will distract churchgoers on Sundays. The queen’s censor disapproves of any political references as well – which the Burbages say that there is no questionable content anyway.

Despite any opposition, the construction of the playhouse continues.

## Two Families in Verona “At Last at Peace”

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Upon Romeo’s arrival, he encountered Paris and killed him. Friar Lawrence, knowing that Romeo had not received any news of recent happenings, hastened to the sepulcher to meet with Juliet when she woke to take her to Mantua, Romeo’s residence after being exiled. However, when he arrived, he found Romeo, poisoned, and Juliet just awakening. Lawrence said then that he heard the approaching watchmen and advised Juliet to flee with him. He then made haste.

After hearing the friar’s testimony, which was assumed to be truthful due to his religious position, the Prince concluded that Juliet had killed herself as an alternative to being found alive.

Prince Escalus decided not to punish the two families as he had threatened a few days earlier since he had lost kinsman from both families, Paris and Mercutio.

According to onlookers, the heads of both families agreed to peace in the presence of their recently deceased children.

## The Catholic Reformation: Did It Have Any Effect?

VERONA – Analysts of the recent tragedy in Verona have brought up some startling conclusions.

The intentions of the clergy were said to be “as corrupt as the times of the Protestant Reformation” in light of the actions of Friar Lawrence.

Friar Lawrence is being accused of being extremely secular since he intervened with the political issues between the Montagues and the Capulets. It was later learned that the friar’s original intentions of the secret marriage was primarily to try to end the family feuding; which ironically, in the end, it did.

Also, the idea that the friar had in his possession the materials to make solutions such as the one that he used on Juliet Capulet is quite disturbing to some individuals.

Speculations have been made on how the Council of Trent, which met intermittently as needed from 1545 to 1565, may have not had any effect on the actual practices of the Catholic Church. It has been said that the council may have just been set up to appease the public and conceal the corruption of the church rather than repair it.

In other news, in the city of Wittenberg (located in the Holy Roman Empire), a Lutheran minister was discovered to actually be a Catholic priest. After strict interrogations, officials concluded that Catholics have created a branch of priests called the Society of Jesus, also known as the Jesuits. This branch focuses on missionary work, and some daring priests, such as the one captured preaching in Wittenberg, disguise themselves and minister Catholic beliefs to Protestants.

The local Anglican Church has started a program that searches for ministers with wrongful intentions or secular abilities with the news of these latest violations.

**Wanted**

Wanted: reporter and writer needed as an editor for *The London Gazette*. Necessary qualities include:

- Extremely biased viewpoints
- Tendency to exaggerate
- Not opposed to bending the truth

If you are interested and possess these qualities, we may be interested in your assistance. Simply visit our offices for an interview.

# Henry I V Begins To Unify France

PARIS – The king in France is attempting to unify Protestants and Catholics to form one nation.

Enforcement of the Edict of Nantes, first declared in 1598, has begun. This declaration granted the Huguenots, as our Protestant acquaintances in France are known, religious toleration and the right to fortify their towns and cities.

Henry IV used to be a Protestant before converting to Catholicism when he took the throne in 1589, which probably explains his sympathy for the Huguenots.

In addition to putting aside religious quarrels, Henry has built a royal bureaucracy in which officials are in charge of improving the quality of French life: officials work to improve transportation methods, administer justice, and revive agriculture. Henry is also taking steps to reduce the power of the nobility so that the power in France is channeled into the royal authority.

Interviews with common peoples of France show that Henry's efforts are, so far, quite successful.

# England's Royal Heir Determined

LONDON – As the health of Queen Elizabeth deteriorated even further and her age increased even more, parliament has determined the eventual heir to the throne of England in the event of her death should she not marry between now and that time.

The throne will be passed on to the Stuarts, the ruling family of Scotland. The first ruler will be James V (who will update his title to James I when he comes to the throne).

Problems that will arise already number to many. The Scot rulers rule by divine right and claim absolute power, which would clash with the practice of consulting Parliament here in England.

It has been proposed that an agreement be created that in order for James to become king that he must agree to consult Parliament.

This issue is still quite a long way from being cut into stone clearly, yet medical professionals still say we have plenty of time to decide since Elizabeth is hanging onto life very well.

# Suggestions for Unified Currency

AMSTERDAM – A proposal has been made to make a single unified currency for the whole of Europe.

This idea was first brought up by a Dutch merchant who complained about the difficulties of exchanging currencies during trade to his local town council.

Officials in France, Spain, and Portugal have acknowledged this idea as “a thought worth consideration” and some believe that it actually may happen. However, even though the officials of all these nations agree to the idea, they are reluctant to carry out the procedure immediately due to the efforts involved in changing the unit of currency.

Executives in England have refused to even consider the thought. “It is the best thing to remain with the traditional English monetary system of pence, shillings, pounds and the like. Such a conversion of currency would damage the economy beyond repair and the task of agreeing with other nations on the value of an international unit would be disputed upon to the extent of the entire proposal being dropped anyhow,” said an official from London.

Other nations have agreed to wait until the whole of Europe is economically stable to make such a drastic change, but many are optimistic about the currency conversion.

Be sure to vote in this week's poll; the editors would like to see what you think: should England change its currency to an international unit along with other nations or should the idea be dropped due to its unavoidable failure?

# The Queen's Apothecary Treatment Fit For a Queen



Has one of the four humors gone up and gotten you down? Suffering from typhus, smallpox or the measles? Have you contracted a rare case of leprosy? Are gonorrhea or syphilis shaming you at the communal baths? If you are suffering from any of the above then you should pay a visit to The Queen's Apothecary, where we have a cure for everything. A special herb, cinchona, from Peru in the Americas might be what you need. Perhaps a good dose of mercury will get you back on your feet. Just visit The Queen's Apothecary today, and you'll be feeling better in no time.

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# Elizabeth Plans for an "English East India Company"

LONDON – Elizabeth announced her plans to form an East India Company for the purpose of increasing trade in the area.

She mentioned that she would not grant the actual charter until late 1600. The company is supposed to be headed by a governor and 24 directors chosen from the company’s potentially numerous stockholders.

Elizabeth expressed her enthusiasm in the idea of a joint-stock company, saying that it “is a wonderful tactic to boost our economy.”

Plans have been made to create numerous ports along the coast of India. At British sites, warehouses will be built for the purpose of storing spices and other goods. Indian natives will be hired and trained as soldiers to protect these warehouses for the duration of time until trading ships from England arrive there.

At an exclusive interview, Elizabeth noted that “this is just the beginning of a large enterprise in that land.”

In other news, Elizabeth later commented on foreign policy with

Spain. She said that she and her advisors had investigated the whole situation from the attack of the Spanish Armada 15 years ago to the present day. “Spain has begun its decline, and England, as a whole and unified nation, has begun its rise to power.”

The conflict may have continued over the last 15 years, she later added, but Spain is slowly getting defeated. “In no time at all,” Elizabeth remarked, “Spain will be on its knees before us, as well as the rest of the nations of Europe.”

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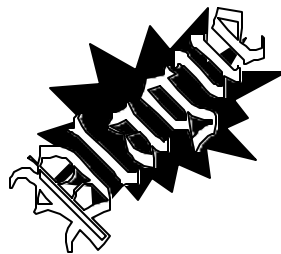
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# Editorials

## What We Really Think – The Biased Viewpoints

### On Prison and Rights

As I have become an expert on life in prison over the last few days, I would like to comment on the horrible conditions.

I do not mind how any of the other inmates are treated, but considering the fact that I am a person of respect I should get better treatment from the prison management. I certainly deserve better conditions, and even if it is necessary to sacrifice the welfare of the other inmates to appease me, so be it.

On another issue, it disturbs me that I was arrested on behalf of exaggeration. After all, everyone should have the right to speak as they wish, as long as it is not ill of the nation as to suggest treason.

After all, nobody has to feel obligated to read our newspaper, our readers, if they find our material offensive, should simply read another paper!

I would like to thank all of the readers that respect our viewpoints, even if they do not correlate with the reader's beliefs. We do appreciate your business and would be glad to take your suggestions.

In the name of exaggeration and bending the truth to fit my beliefs, I protest the actions that the government has taken upon me.

If any of our faithful readers has any questions, comments, or concerns that they would like to speak to me about, I have plenty of time; I'm in cell 17.

Thanks once again, faithful readers.

Matt Eyler

Chief Editor

### On Theater Content

As the theater has become progressively more popular, I have noticed that many plays recently have increased in their sexual innuendoes, profanities and violence. It has reached intolerable levels, where entire scenes are composed of allusions to perverted actions, and extensive fight scenes ending in deaths of many or all of the main characters. Plays like Romeo and Juliet, and Hamlet, which have gratuitous sexual content, graphic language, and unwarranted violence, are destroying our children's minds. When I was a child, the theater was much more dean and wholesome, and always sent good messages to the audience. Now it is all about fright value, and how much blood they can spill by the end of the show. Our youth is being corrupted by these plays of jealousy and hate, and are being taught that suicide is okay; suicide is blatantly stated in the Holy Bible as being a mortal sin. In Romeo and Juliet, we brought to love the two leads, and in the end they both kill themselves. What kind of message is this? Are these the lessons we want our children to be taught by these disgusting so-called playwrights? The language used by Sir Shakespeare is so descriptively vulgar and inappropriate that I refuse to even give examples in this article. I feel we should ban together as parents of a distraught youth, and form a coalition against vulgarity and sexually inappropriate in our English theaters. We must stand together as parents, adults, and role models and protest with "there shall be no more!"

Casey Fein

Editor

### On Selfishness

Has anyone, dear readers, noticed the increasing selfishness in our society?

Selfishness is as widespread as the plague currently and is ripping apart our very nation at this very moment!

The time has come for people to think of what the concerns of others are and to think of whether an action might benefit or harm another person's welfare. Every person needs to stop thinking of just themselves.

It's simply common courtesy, folks, and if everyone used it our world would be much better.

I mean, someone should take the time to think of the reporting class! We editors have feelings too; it's about time the common people gave some respect to the reporters and writers of this city.

Did anyone ever think that a real person wrote the words on this page? A real, living person? Well yes they are! I wrote them!

The world should begin to suite me. I shouldn't have to change, everyone else should? Why should I change for someone else? After all, everyone knows that I'm perfect. The fact is that everyone needs to change to suite me.

So there you have it. I expect a change when I come to work today. I expect every person on the street to show some form of respect for my efforts and me. I expect no less than 300 letters in response to this editorial, proclaiming of how right I am on the issue of selfishness.

Don't you forget.

Ryan Watkins

Editor

# Letters to the Editor

Letters From People Who Don't Know What They're Talking About

## On the Press and Reporting

Dear *The London Gazette*,

The general population is quite aware of the obvious corruption in the printing and reporting industry. It is quite apparent to most people that the reporters of London have extremely biased viewpoints; most people don't appreciate this.

It has also been noticed that writers of newspapers tend to interject their own beliefs into the articles, and the opinion of the writer becomes quite obvious.

While most people of our city do not appreciate these techniques and lack of skill of the writers and reporters, I am quite a different person from the general population.

I believe that it is important for the writers to alter and filter their reports as necessary: after all, the reporters and writers are the ones actually experiencing the news. It is, in fact, necessary to exaggerate excessively to get the point across and to interject opinions so that the readers can clearly determine the direction of bias.

Sincerely,  
Jim Snyder

Dear Mr. Snyder,

I agree wholeheartedly. How would you like a position on our editorial staff?

Sincerely,  
R. W., Editor

## On the issue of Bathing

Dear *The London Gazette*,

I am quite concerned with the frequency that Queen Elizabeth bathes. I believe that exposure to water is a surefire way to become inflicted with the Black Death. Water, in my opinion, is the method by which disease and plague is spread.

In the last few months I have written frequently to her majesty, and have received no response. However, a few days ago Queen Elizabeth finally returned a short note that includes how she appreciated my expression of concern. She suggested, however, that I try myself to bathe once a month as she does because she claims that it has increased her lifespan, as can be readily seen by anyone.

Despite my beliefs, I will accept her advice, and will inform you on my results.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Miller

Dear Miss Miller,

Next time, be more careful in the advice you take – and often times the beliefs of the commoners are correct. I advise you check your horoscopes – are you a Capricorn?

Sincerely,  
C. F., Editor

## On the issue of Fashion

Dear *The London Gazette*,

Sometimes I get quite concerned on the extensive measures we take to stay in style. I feel obligated to carry out excessive measures just to maintain my social class.

When fashion begins to impede with the actions of one's daily life, I sincerely believe that there is something wrong. Just yesterday I was at a formal dinner, and as I turned around to speak to someone and I accidentally hit my husband in the head with my ruff. He now has a large bruise on his forehead. This is only one of the many inconveniences that I have to put up with because of the demands of fashion.

My husband and I have decided to attend a ball tonight, disregarding the demands of fashion. I hope our efforts will reduce the pain taken just to maintain social status.

Sincerely,  
Martha Weaver

Dear Mrs. Weaver,

Sometimes it might be a better decision to remain in style, not just to maintain your social status, but to maintain your whole acceptance into society itself. Better luck next time.

Sincerely,  
D. S., Editor

## Weekly Reader Poll

Leonardo DaVinci

871 Readers  
50 %



Raffaello Sanzio

302  
27 %

Michelangelo  
Buonarroti

583 Readers  
33 %

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Who is your favorite Mediterranean-based artist?

- Leonardo
- Raphael
- Michelangelo

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

What should our national currency be?

- Traditional Monetary
- European International
- Both
- Barter Economy

# Fashion

## How to Become A Corporate Tool

### Woman Saved by Ruff

CAMBRIDGE – It seems that the latest styles have some other purposes than fashion.

Mary Phillips of Cambridge was taking a leisurely walk with her husband yesterday morning when suddenly the ground collapsed under her, and the next thing she knew was that she was at eye level at the ground. It turned out that she had fallen into an old, forgotten and poorly covered well. After being pulled out of that miserable hole, her husband noticed that the hole was extremely deep, and had it not been for the large size of Mary's ruff that she would have probably fallen to her death.

"I though I was going to keep falling," said Mary, "but my ruff stopped me and I owe my life to it." She also remarked later that it was her lucky ruff, which was much larger in diameter than all of the other ruffs she owned.

"Had she worn one of her other and smaller ruffs, she probably would have been killed, I reckon," said her husband.

The well will be filled in today to prevent further mishaps, and a search for other wells will be conducted. Mary Phillips advises: "Wear larger ruffs not just for fashion, but for their life-saving ability."

### Fights Over Tights

MANTUA – A most unfortunate brawl broke out yesterday in Mantua over fashion.

Two families, whose identities cannot be revealed, attended a dinner at the prince's estate. When the second family arrived to the dinner, both the head of each family realized that they were wearing tights with the same colors of stripes.

"I was very offended when [he] walked in with those [tights] on," said the head of the first family. "I thought that we had agreed on the colors that we were going to wear."

After trading some angry expressions, witnesses say that there was a brawl. The second family reportedly had strength in numbers and defeated the first family easily.

"After that commotion and resolving who was supposed to wear which color tights and who was in error, the families settled down for a sumptuous dinner," said a witness.

It turned out that the second family had the agreed upon colors on their legs and the first family was in error, which justifies the second family's instigation of the fight.

Presently, peace has been restored to Mantua.

### Fashion Goes To Court

NORWICH – A woman has been accused of stealing feathers.

Anne Smith brought Katherine Chandler to court yesterday, accusing her of plucking feathers from her pet peacock for use in a hat.

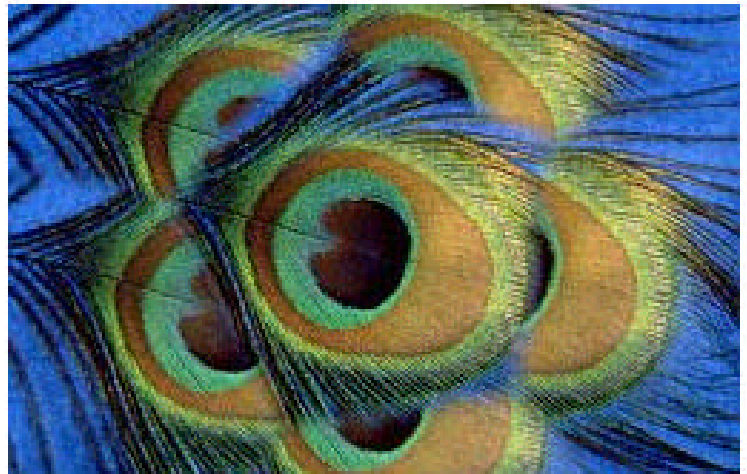
Chandler was reportedly strolling the street, adorned with an elaborate hat with multiple peacock feathers protruding from it, when Smith tipped off an officer to arrest Chandler.

Chandler, according to onlookers, seemed completely oblivious as to why she was being taken to prison. "The officer was quite rude about the whole thing," she said. "And she [Smith] took my new hat from me, which she had no right to do."

Smith, when questioned, said "I woke up this morning to feed my pet peacock when I noticed that a few of his feathers were missing. I immediately consulted the officer nearest my home and fortunately the [supposed] culprit was nearby."

The local court will meet today to determine Chandler's innocence or guilt. According to the concrete evidence already known, the future does not look bright for Ms. Chandler.

"After examining the pattern on the feathers in the hat and the pattern of the feathers on the peacock, I noticed that they were strikingly similar, if not identical," said the officer in charge of the investigation.



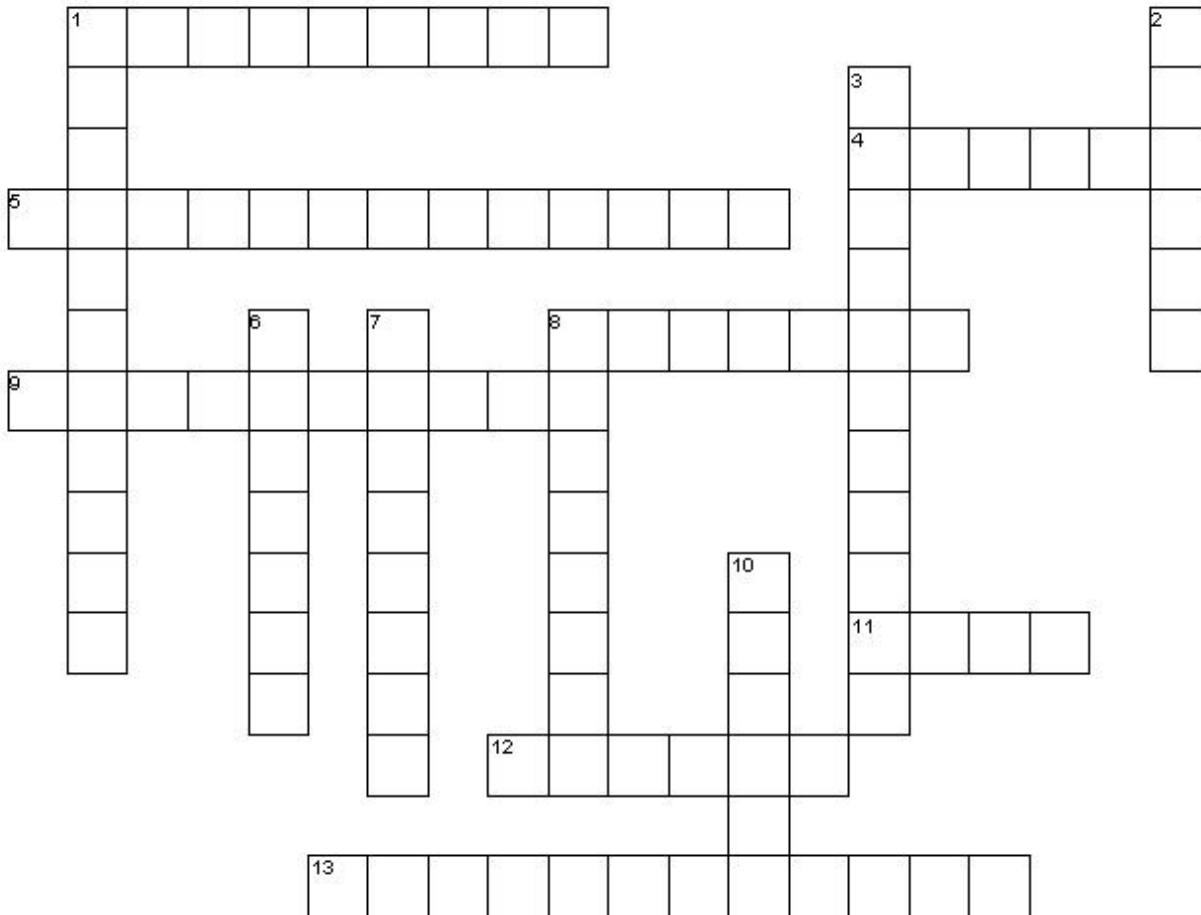
**A close-up view of feathers from the hat of K. Chandler.**

Smith commented later that she had heard of a process where a sample feather or hair could be examined and identified to its owner, but unfortunately she could not recall the source of this gossip. "I'm remembering the words 'chemical' and 'composition,' but I can't quite recall. It's a shame; putting her [Chandler] in prison would be much easier."

The trial continues today at noon.

# Weekly Crossword

Good Luck, You Don't Have a Chance!



## Across

1. Improved the printing press and sparked the printing revolution
4. The lines "To be or not to be, that is the question" come from this play
5. Plague that is currently inflicting the whole of Europe
8. Assembled the first astronomical telescope
9. Ruler of England who promotes theater
11. Neck wear of the current Renaissance period that varies in size and color due to class
12. Common leg wear of men of the Renaissance time period
13. The sculptor who created the *Pietà*

## Down

1. Reference term for those who congregate around the stage in theaters
2. This vegetable recently arrived from the Americas and is being cultivated in Ireland
3. This writer will write 37 plays before he dies that will be performed for centuries to come
6. Painter of *The School of Athens*
7. Painter of *The Last Supper*
8. The name of the sculpture of Mercury
10. Will develop laws of motion and gravity

## Quality Liquors

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# Regional & Other News

Things That Don't Matter in the Big Scheme of Things, But Do To Us

## Gazette Editor Convicted

LONDON – Charged with misinforming the public, the chief editor of *The London Gazette*, Matthew Eyler, has been arrested and placed in prison.

Convicted with exaggeration, false reporting, truth-bending, corruption, spreading of lies, mis-informing the public, depriving citizens of a trusty news source, injecting opinions into reports declared unbiased, and continuing to protest the efforts of the law, Eyler will be tried on Monday.

Eyler has made numerous protests, writing articles in not just his own newspaper but sending in letters to other papers as well.

“It is time for the newspaper-reading population to overthrow the law and establish rights for themselves,” Eyler declared as he was being dragged out of his office on Thursday.

The officers also warned the other editors of *The London Gazette* (Ryan Watkins, David Stawarz, and Casey Fein to watch what they print.

Eyler, if declared guilty, will be beheaded next week for the whole population of London to see.

“If I end up being beheaded, I hope I get my picture in the paper,” Eyler said, when asked about the possibility of beheading. “I hope the article is 20 pages long, too.”

Ryan Watkins said that that would not be a problem.

*The London Gazette* has already began a search for a new editor, just in case Eyler doesn't get declared innocent or escape from prison the night before.

“The qualities we are looking for are quite demanding,” said David Stawarz when asked about hiring a new editor. “Corruption is the key to success in this business.”

## Local Winery Monopolizes Business

LONDON – London Liquors, the local winery, has dominated the industry.

With the company's latest slogans “Wine buys you time (on earth),” “Liquors don't make you sicker,” and “Wine versus Plague,” have attracted a flood of customers.

The promotion that shouts that wines from London Liquors can prevent the Bubonic Plague boosted the business from almost shutting down to booming.

Company Manager, Jim Snyder, commented on the scientific validity of his promotion. “We administered our best wines to a group of people and secured them in a clean facility, and none of them fell ill for an entire week. When compared to the rest of the population of London, the group that

was administered the wines fared much better.”

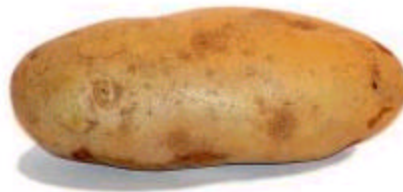
Additional research shows the effects of application of the company's liquors to persons already taken with the illness:

“When given a moderate dose of our wine, the patients given wine did not experience as much pain as those not given the dose. Also, on average, persons given the wine lived almost 14½ seconds longer than others did.”

Jim Snyder continued to express his excitement for how amazingly quickly the business rose from poverty to luxury.

“Our profit on Thursday was – 405 pounds. As of today [now yesterday], our profit was + 6,072,544 pounds.”

Other companies report having no customers at all due to the shift of sales.



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**Aries (March 21-April 19):**

Thou willing shall prevail this day, and much money shall be earned. Thou shall strive to do your best today to make good use of this good fortune.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):**

Someone is doing everything in their power to try to convince you that the world revolves around them and only them. You must not play their game, but step away, and help them with their egoism.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21):**

While thou may not be called into action anytime soon, the important thing is that people trust your skills. Though must remember, come what may, thou is always an asset.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22):**

Do not follow your usual pattern today. Make room for a change, and follow the differences where they take thou.

**Leo (July 23-August 22):**

On this day, though will feel the need to socialize with others. Attending a festival of sorts would be perfect.

**Virgo (August 23-Sept. 22):**

Thou will show outstanding leadership today, and will become upstanding and forward. Be strong in your decisions, and do not question yourself.

**Libra (Sept.23-Oct. 23):**

Be decisive, and do not quarrel with yourself. Be steadfast with your choices today, and be sure they are the correct and moral ones.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24- Nov.21):**

Today is not a good day for you and money. Stay away from making purchases, and save your money for another day.

**Sagittarius (Nov.22-Dec. 21):**

Your relations with other people are improving. You will spend time with a good friend today, someone special to you. That's because today the stage is set for relationships to improve and mature.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan19):**

Today you should try and improve health, and hygiene. Avoid bathing.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb.18):**

Watch out! Love is coming for you! Today romance is a much greater possibility! So what can you do to improve your chances? You needn't say a word. That's because today your nonverbal signals are the key to improving your chances of making a love connection.

**Pisces (Feb 19-March 20):**

Turn to thy simpler things. This day, simplicity is your key to having the most successful and satisfying day. That means you'll want to avoid situations that seem overly complex. Instead, choose to do things in the simplest manner possible. It's also a great day to focus your time on favorite places, activities and people.

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# Obituaries

A Section Of This Paper that One Day Everyone Will Be In

## Deaths of the Elite in Society

### **Mercutio Martello**

Age: 18  
Date of Birth: January 11, 1581  
Date of Death: Sunday, July 17

Mercutio Martello died in the Town Square. Mercutio, Kinsman to the Prince, died in battle by the hand of Tybalt, a Capulet. Mercutio was a blessed soul, a jester who could always lighten spirits. Everyone knows stories of the time he on accident set fire to a drapery in the house of Montague while playing with young Romeo. The mischievous Mercutio will always be remembered as the one who could always bring light and humor to life, even in his own death he was attempting to stay in good humor. Though sometimes a bit manic, he was always a good friend. He was a great man till the end, and in his entire humor, was killed by the relentless dueling between Montagues and Capulet's. In blur of death and a final flash of sincerity, his last words are quoted of being "A plague on both your houses!" He will be missed.

### **Tybalt Capulet**

Age: 5  
Date of Birth: February 29, 1579  
Date of Death: Sunday, July 17

Tybalt Capulet, cousin of the late Juliet Capulet, died by the hand of Romeo Montague in revenge for his killing of Mercutio, Romeo's best friend. He was known as the "fiery" Tybalt, the King of Cats. He had an occasionally uncontrollable temper, and was always ready to defend his honor. Even as a young child, he showed signs of his fiery stance. He was wielding a sword as early as the age of two. The Capulet's plan on having a statue made in Tybalt's honor constructed within the next year.

### **Romeo Montague**

Age: 16  
Date of Birth: May 27, 1583  
Date of Death: Friday, July 22

Romeo Montague, the only child of Lord and Lady Montague, committed suicide in the Capulet tomb by an apothecary's poison. Romeo had much potential of being a great head of the Montague house, but was killed by his passionate romantic heart. All know of Romeo's romantic nature, always craving unrequited love. He chased ladies as a young man, always going after the impossible toddler of his affection. His unfortunate downfall began when he met Juliet Capulet at the party held by the Capulet's. The two doomed lovers fell in love this night and were married the next day. After Romeo killed Tybalt and was banished, Juliet faked her death to meet with Romeo and leave with him, but by sad luck of bad communications, Romeo and Juliet both ended up dead by suicide. For the full story, you may refer to the article on these two "star-crossed lovers" in yesterday's edition of the London Gazette.

### **Sarah Montague, Paris Moluzo**

(No obituary notice provided yet)

### **Juliet Capulet**

Age: 14  
Date of Birth: August 1, 1585  
Date of Death: Friday, July 22

Juliet Capulet, daughter of Lord and Lady Capulet, died in the Capulet tomb, by dagger's blade. This star in the sky of fair Verona was widely known for her beauty, and all that caught sight of her loved her. The wife of Romeo, her tale is also a sad, unfortunate one. After meeting Romeo, they were married, but upon his banishment, she was to be forced into a second marriage to County Paris, another kinsman of the Prince. Rather than marry against her will, Juliet consulted with Friar Lawrence. He gave her a potion that would temporarily make her appear dead. But, as fate would have it, Romeo did not hear that it was a false death, only that his beloved wife was dead. Rushing to her tomb, he quickly ended his life, and fell to the foot of her resting place, when she awoke. Seeing her husband dead, and hearing authorities approach, she chose to end her life immediately by way of dagger. She will always be remembered for her immense beauty, inside and out.

## Other & Local Obituaries

### **Over 300 Potential Deaths in Verona**

The final words of Mercutio Martello seem to have had some effect.

His final utterance of "a plague on both your houses!" seems to have taken effect in the last few days; the black plague has already begun to strike on over 300 total people from both the Montague and Capulet families.

This article is a notice of the almost unavoidable deaths that will almost certainly happen in the next week, though no deaths have been reported as of the time of the printing of this paper.

### **Another Large Loss From the Plague**

Over 200 have died in the last few days due to the black death (and occasionally other causes), and as usual, we are not able to report most due to the large quantity.

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| Margaret Miller | Nicholas Carpenter |
| Anne Warner     | Edmund Bard        |
| Judith Turner   | Peter Hunter       |
| Alice Farmer    | Stephen Fischer    |
| Isabel Draper   | Rose Taylor        |
| Rebecka Cooper  | Thomas Skinner     |
| John Mason      | Timothy Cox        |
| William Sawyer  | Samuel Weaver      |
| Anthony Saddler | Martha Weaver      |
| Micheal Dyer    | Susan Chapman      |
| Daniel Cutler   | Leonard Warner     |
| James Courier   | Grace Baker        |

# Book Reviews

A special section

**Title: The Ingenious Gentleman Don Quixote de la Mancha**

**Author: Miguel Cervantes**

The great Miguel de Cervantes has been kind enough to allow us a special preview of his next work. His book will be called The Ingenious Gentleman Don Quixote De La Mancha and is a hilarious tale of a man's struggle to make his dreams come true. I got the rare chance to read the first five chapters of this book, which is expected to come out into general circulation by 1606. The main character is Quejana, an owner of a small estate in La Mancha. He spends his days reading books of famous knights and their adventures. After years of this Quejana has gone quite mad, and decides that he must set out and become a knight himself. The first thing he does is to change his name to one

befitting a knight. Quejana dons the name of Don Quixote De La Mancha, as well as old armor, a lance, sword and makeshift armor. Immediately he sets out on his faithful steed, Rocinante, to protect the honor of his imaginary lady, Dulcinea Del Toboso. His imagination turns wenches into damsels, and inns into castles. He gets the Lord of the first "castle" he visits to properly knight him, and earnestly begins his quest to right wrongs and injustices. After "helping" a young boy receive what he deserves as his first accomplishment, he begins a journey home to gather supplies. The first five chapters were a delight to read, and I would suggest anyone who can read to go and purchase this entertaining book when it becomes available.

**Planned Release Date:**  
**Early 1606**

**Editor's Notice**

Due to the low literacy rate and disuse of this section, there will no longer be any more book reviews.

In addition to these reasons, we have recently lost some of our editing persons, and *The London Gazette* has to make some sacrifices to compensate for our losses.

We appreciate the cooperation of those few who actually pay attention to this section when it appears, and we hope to return this section into action once a new editor is hired, or our former editor is spared from being beheaded.

Again, thank you for your concern.

Sincerely,

D. S., Editor,  
Book Reviewer

# Legal Proceedings

Measures carried out by the Local Authorities

## Wanted by the Constable

**Adam Williams**, for stealing 40 pounds from the local blacksmith. Last seen near Westminster Abbey after confessing to his burglary. Notable characteristics include being approximately 6'2" and weighing 180 pounds. His hair color is black and was seen wearing purple tights at the time of the robbery.

**Robert Smith**, for laughing when the name of the queen was mentioned. He escaped from a local bar when this event occurred and hasn't been seen since. Investigations show that he was last headed towards the Thames River.

## Scheduled Trials in Court

**Matthew Eyler**, for false reporting. Scheduled trial on Monday, July 25, presided by Justice Howard Towson.

**Katherine Chandler**, for plucking peacock feathers. The trial continues today, with the court being held by Justice Edward Green.

**Edmund Weathers**, for illegal sale of bathing tubs and wash basins. Accused of endangering the local population, his trial is planned for Tuesday, July 26, 2 hours after noontime. The justice has not yet been determined

## New Laws

**It is illegal to bring your horse into a restaurant.** After numerous mishaps in many local restaurants, bringing one's horse into a restaurant is now illegal, with charges of up to 50 pounds plus the price of repairing the damage done by the horse.

**It is now necessary by law for women to wear ruffs when within 100 yards of a well.** In light of recent events, local authorities decided that it would be good measure to pass such a requirement to ensure the safety of women who live in the presence of wells.

# Classifieds

Exclusively here to read if you are remarkably bored

## LOST AND FOUND

**FOUND** – Dog, male, black. NO tail.

Come to Blacksmith shop.

**FOUND** – Cat, female, white w/black splotches. Come to Tailor shop for more info.

## SITUATION WANTED

**STEWARD** - Looking for job. Has experience from 3 other estates. Ask the Berkeley, Robsart, and more families for references

**DRAPER** - Will buy and sell clothe wholesale. Also deals in some ready made garments and dry goods.

**KNIGHT** – In need of Patron. Experienced. £ 650 per year.

## GENERAL APPEALS

**APPRENTICE** – fletcher/bowyer – learn to make bows and arrows like the best, for the best!

**APPRENTICE** – apothecary. Will take over current business when mater retires. Great Income!

**MAN OF BUSINESS** – needed to oversee affairs in The Cook Estate.

**LIMNER** – needed for portrait of Lord and Lady Hoby. P/T. Good Pay.

**TUTOR** – must have general knowledge of math and literature. Will teach 3 children. Apply in the Brownes estate.

**COOPER** – to make 3 dozens barrels. Will pay large sum of money.

**DISHBOY** – several young men required to work in the kitchens. Minimum wage. P/T. Must be willing to work hard!

**WET NURSE** - two year contract. Possibly longer. Bring references to interview at the Manners Estate.

**VALET** – take care of, serve and attend to the Lord Bedford.

**ACATER** – needed to buy and sell goods for Earl Nottingham. Good pay for experienced worker.

**ACTORS** – to play small parts in productions in the Globe Theater. No pay.

**LAWYER** – needed to serve as Prosecutor in civil property case.

**YOUNG MAN** – to look after sheep, cattle and such and protect them from predators. Must be skilled with a knife and able to survive in wild.

**MUSICIAN** – needed to teach and play music for the children of Lord Raleigh.

## TAVERNS/INNS

**ROOMS** – Rooms available at The Laughing Jester. Two crowns or ten shillings per person per night. Wonderful food, drink and entertainment!

**DRINKS** – Large selections of drink at The Bard in Lombard Street and Cornhill. Have Malmsey or Canary. Rhenish or Claret. Whether Aqua Vitae or Brandywine is what you wish, we have it!

## ENTERTAINMENT

**THEATER** – Wonderful productions in the afternoons. For extra fees, you can have your chair on the stage! Ladies, if in attendance, must be veiled or have a mask.

**VARIED LESSONS** – Learn to Fence, or keep up with the latest Dances or Steps. Learn an instrument such as the lute. Pick up a language like Spanish, Italian or French.

**NEW COUNTRY CLUB** – Fill you time with Tennis, or Bowls. Take the opportunity to hunt and ride, or shoot arrows and billiards with other upstanding members of society. Just £25 per year for membership!

**GAMES** – Cards, chess, table, or draughts. Fun way to pass time. Go to Richard's Tavern.

## RESIDENTIAL

**SINGLE** room apartment. Cheap. Furnished. Talk to Ingar at the Mercer.

**FURNISHED** Villa. Good starter home for family.

**UNFURNISHED** 3 room apartment above the armorer. Rent in work instead of money.

**ROOMMATE** – Needed for nice place with minimal rent. Freedom from Landlord!

## MERCHANDISE

**SADDLE** – weathered form several years usage. Still in good condition.

**WORD** – Rapier. Good Condition. High cost.

**FOOD GOODS** – Purchase at grocer in Guthertons Lane.

**BOW** – Strong pull. Good quality. Cheap. Go to Bowyer in Silver Street.

**WIG** – An excellent brown headpiece suited for the finest lady, but priced for a commoner.

**WHIP** – For flagellants. Repent! God is still mad!

**TABLE** – Antique. Perfect to show of wealth with.

## TRAVEL

**SPAIN** – A place to go only if you wish to have gold flaunted in your face by the rich nobles. Though your interests would be protected by England's superior navy.

**FRANCE** – Little tolerance to Protestants. Danger of assault. No English cities left as safe havens.

**HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE** – Beware of harm from natives, as the law will do little to protect you. No tolerance of any religious groups.

**ITALY** – Made of several city-states. Large families rule. Mainly Catholic. Home of the Pope. Visit today!

## RELIGION

**JOIN** the Precisionist (Puritan) movement! Purify the Anglican Church! Must be able to read, for the Bible is the only source of truth.

**RESTORE** faith in the Roman Catholic Church. Know that the truth can come only from Priests, and the Pope is the final Christian authority.

**FOLLOW** the king's law, and join the Church of England! Do not follow the Pope who is only a man and subject to error. Participate in your religion actively as the Bible is written in the vernacular! Do your duty to ALL religions! Turn in heretics! Make sure no witches or pagans are harming your chances at ascending to Heaven!

