

REMEMBRANCES ON CHARLES V'S VISIT

1522

First, the certainty to be known how many messes of meat shall be ordered for the Emperor and his nobles at the King's charge; eight messes, ten messes, more, or less?

Item, how many of these messes shall be served as noblemen, and how many otherwise.

Item, how many messes of meat shall be served for my Lord Cardinal and his chamber at the King's charge? Five or six, more, or less? Or whether his grace will be contented with a certainty of money by the day to his diet, and cause his own officers to make provision for the same, and to serve it?

Item, whether the Emperor and his nobles shall be served with his own diaper, or else with the King's?

The Emperor and his court with the King's.

Item, whether the Emperor shall be served with his own silver vessels, or else with the King's?

At Dover with the King's.

Item, how many of the Emperor's carriages shall be at the King's charge, and whether any parcel of the King's carriage shall be at the King's charge or us?

Item, whether any of the great officers, as my lord Steward, Master Treasurer, or Master Comptroller, shall give attendance upon the Emperor at Dover or not?

Item, whether there shall be any banqueting, and in what places?

At Greenwich, London, Richmond, and Windsor.

Item, placards to be had for the purveyors of the poultry and others.

Item, letters to be directed to the Lords both spiritual and temporal, for fishing of their ponds for dainties.

Item, a warrant to be had and directed to Master Micklow for ready money.

Item, to know whether the King's grace will have any of his sergeant officers to attend upon the Emperor, or yeomen for his mouth daily or not?

Wines laid in diverse places for the King and the Emperor between Dover and London.

Dover	(2 days)	Gascon Wine—3 casks;	Rhenish Wine—1 vat of 2 alnes
Canterbury	(4 days)	Gascon Wine—3 casks;	Rhenish Wine—2 vats of 5 alnes
Sittingbourne	(1 day)	Gascon Wine—1 cask;	Rhenish Wine—demi-vat
Rochester	(2 meals)	Gascon Wine—1 cask;	Rhenish Wine—demi-vat.
Gravesend and upon Thames	(2 meals)	Gascon Wine—1 cask;	Rhenish Wine—demi-vat
Greenwich	(4 meals)	Gascon Wine;	Rhenish Wine—plenty
To Blackfriars in London	(8 meals)	Gascon Wine—8 casks;	Rhenish Wine—3 vats of 6 alnes
Richmond	(10 meals)	Gascon Wine;	Rhenish Wine—plenty
Hampton Court		Gascon Wine;	Rhenish Wine
Windsor		Gascon Wine;	Rhenish Wine—plenty

First, to assign four bakers within the city of London to serve the noblemen belonging to the Emperor that be lodged in the canons' houses of Paul's and their abbots and other places within the City.

Item, to assign the King's wax chandler to serve them of torches.

Item, to assign a tallow chandler for white lights.

Item, to assign four butchers for serving of oxen, sheep, calves, hogs of grease, flitches of bacon, marrow bones, and such other as shall be called for.

Item, to assign two fishmongers for provision of linges to be ready watered, pikes, tenches, breams, caller salmon, and such other dainties of the fresh water.

Item, to appoint two fishmongers for provision of sea-fish.

Item, to appoint four poulterers to serve for the said persons of all manner poultry.

Item, to provide into every lodging wood, coal, rushes, straw, and such other necessaries.

Item, it is requested that there may be always two carpenters in readiness to furnish every place with such things as shall be thought good, as cupboards, forms, boards, trestles, bedsteads, with other necessaries, where lack shall be.

Item, to see every lodging furnished with pewter dishes, and saucers as shall be thought sufficient.

Item, to furnish every house with all manner kitchen stuff, if there be any lack of such like within any of the said houses, as broches of diverse sorts, pots and pans, ladles, skimmers, gridirons, with such other stuff as shall be named by the officers of the said noblemen.

Item, appoint two men to serve all manner of sauces for every lodging.

Item, to appoint two tallow chandlers to serve for all manner of sauces.

Item, to warn every owner of the house to put all their stuff of household in every office against their coming to be in a readiness.

Item, the King's grocers to be appointed to serve in all manner of spices.

Bill of fare for the ordinary dieting of the Emperor's attendants per diem

208 noblemen and gentlemen, by estimation every of them to have a mess full furnished of this fare as follows:

<i>The first course for dinner</i>		<i>The first course for supper</i>	
Potage		Potage	
Boiled Capon	34	Chickens boiled	69
Young Veal	32	Legs of Mutton.	21
Green Geese	69	Capons	34
Kid or lamb	104	Kid or lamb	104
Custards	208	Doucettes	
Fruttour	208		
<i>The second course</i>		<i>The second course</i>	
Jussell ¹		Jelly Ipocras	
Chickens	138	Peacocks	138
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Rabbits	138	Rabbits	138
Tarts	200	Tarts	208

Fred W. Bewsher, *The Reformation and the Renaissance (1485–1547)* (London, 1913):28–31.

¹ The recipe for Jussell was “grated bread, eggs, sage, saffron, and good broth.”