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These churchwardens' accounts are particularly interesting because of the number of people passing through Milton Regis at this time. Milton Regis was on the main road from Dover to London and, as well as a number of ordinary folk seeking help, there are several wounded soldiers and other people released from captivity in France. This was the time of William III's war with France. He was leader of the Grand Alliance formed by most of Europe in an attempt to check France's expansionist policies particularly with regard to the Spanish Crown. William was absent from England for extended periods during this time. On 29 July 1693 he had fought at the Battle of Neerwinden when his army had been routed, but the French had failed to follow up on their success and had allowed William to escape. It was probably his safe return from this battle that was being celebrated and from which the wounded soldiers and prisoners were returning./

The Accompts of Simon March Stephen/
Baker deceea[se]d Henry Grouble Churchwardens/
Ch..... of Milton by Sittingbourne in the County/
of Kent and Archdeaconry of Canterbury/
made of and upon their Churchwardenshipp/

for the yeare 1693 as Followeth vizt/
The Charge/

Inpr[im]is these Accomptants Charge them)/		
selfes with the sum[m]e of 39£ 16s 3d in one)/		
Sess made towards the necessary)/		
repaires of the p[a]rish Church as and)/		
with 4s 8ob rec[eive]d of the p[re]ceeding Churchwar)/		
dens and w[i]th the sum[m]e of 1£ 5s 0d rec[eive]d)/		
of Mr Lees for a yeares Rent due	)	xli	ix ob/
to the said parish for the Butts at)/		
Mich[ael]mas 1693 and 2s and 1d rec[eive]d)/		
of Mr Theobald for a former Sess)/		
and 1s rec[eive]d of Oliver ?Burtlemans for a)/		
former Sess in all amounting to the)/		
sum[m]e of)/		

Out of which said sum[m]e these Accomptants have/
necessarily paid and laid out as Churchw[ar]d[en]s/
as aforesaid the p[ar]ticular sum[m]e]s Following/
vizt/

The Discharge/

Inpr[im]is paid for a quire of Paper to keepe)/		
and write the p[ar]ish Accompts in the	)		vi/
sum[m]e of)/		

Item paid to Mr Billing for the Visitac[i]on)/		
Dinner at East[er] as appeares by Bill	)	iii	xvi ii/
the sum[m]e of)/		

It[e]m the 19th of May 1693 given to one

Thomas [insert – Wood of] Diggs [insert – farm in] Barham parish)/			
towards redeeming his goods seized by)		ii/
his Landlord the sum[m]e of)/		

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It[e]m paid the 25 May 1693 to John)/		
?Felgate for A Dinner and Expenses)		xxx vi/
on Assension Thursday the sum[m]e of)/		

It[e]m expended at Chalkewell on)/		
goeing the Bounds of the p[a]rish the sum[m]e] of	)		i/

Item Expended at the same time at the)/		
blacke lyon in Bobbing the sum of	)		iii/

It[e]m given to a Schoolmaster which came)/		
from Huntington shire w[i]th his family)/		
and goeing to the Isle of Thannett the	)		i/
sum[m]e of)/		

It[e]m to a woman who was taken Prison[er])/		
in France the sum[m]e of	)		ii/

It[e]m paid to Mr Witherden for four duzen)/		
of ?ponises given away on goeing the Bounds	)		ii/

of the parish the sum[m]e of)/)	
It[e]m given a woman towards redeemeing her husband out of Prison the sum[me] of	)/ )	vi/
Item paid for a prayer Booke for the preservation of the Fleete the sum[me] of	)/ )	vi/
Item paid to a poor woman who lost all her Goods by a greate tide in Linconshire and goeing to Cant[erbur]y the sum[me] of	)/ ) )/ )	i/
Item given to one Mr Cook w[i]th his wife and five Children which were goeing to Ireland from whence they came the sum[m]e of	)/ )/ ) )/ )	i/
It[e]m paid to Mr Billing for three quarters of Wine for the Com[m]union at Whitsuntide and two penny loafes the sum[m]e of	)/ ) )/ )	vii viii/
Item given to a man and two women who taken by ye French the sum of	)/ )	vi/
It[e]m given to a man and woman who had y[heir] houses burnt downe at Lee in in Essex the sum[m]e of)/))/)	vi/
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Item paid for powder and Shott to kill the Daws about the Church the sum[me] of)/)	viii/
Item paid Mr ?Tun[n]ard for halfe a yeares Goale money the sum[me] of	)/ )	xli/
It[e]m paid Robert Dadd for killing [deleted – two, insert – four]/ poult Catts the sum[me]	) )	i iiiii/
It[e]m paid William Cooke for killing one poulcatt the sum[me] of	)/ )	iiii/
It[e]m [deleted – paid] for my horse journey and Expenses)/ at Linsted when I had notice from Sitting) borne to meete about Franc Scurge the sum[me] of )/	) ) )	ii vi/
Item spent on Mr Polly after he had preached at Milton aforesaid the sum[m]e of	)/ )	i ix/
It[e]m gave to two women which came out of France and goeing to Penisey in Sussex the sum[m]e of	)/ ) )/ )	vi/

Item given to a woman which lost her goods by fire at Colchester and was going to her Freinds at Deale the sum[me] of	)/ ) )/	iii/
Item given to a Dutchman that com[m]anded a Shipp that was taken by a French privat[eer] the sum[me] of	)/ ) )/	vi/
Item paid Will[iam] Cooke for killing a polcat		iiii/
It[e]m paid for a bushell of Oysters to p[re]sent Sir Edwin Steede with the sum[me] of	) )	ii/
It[e]m paid John Johnson for going to Che.... to fetch some Eales and carrying them and the Oysters to the said Edwin Steed the sum[me] of	)/ )/ ) )/	iii/
It[em] Sept ii given to one Duglass a disbanded leiuten[an]t going to Ireland w[i]th his Family the sum[me] of)/))/	i vi/
It[e]m given to the wife of one John Harris in distress the sum[me] of)/)	vi/
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Item given to five Seamen newly redeemed from France the sum[me] of)/)	ii vi/
Item this Accomptant craveth an allow ance for a horse journey to Justice Paines about parish buisnies with the Overseers of the said parish of Milton the sum of)/)/))/	ii/
It[e]m paid Sam[ue]l Mr Lees man for killing 3 hedgehoggs the sum of	)/ )	vi/
It[e]m paid Goodm[an] Lonly for takeing of some tiles from the Church and cleaneing the Leedes the sume of	)/ ) )/	i/
It[e]m for a horse hire to Linsted about parish buisnies the sum[me] of	)/ )	i vi/
It[e]m ye 12 of Oct[ober] 1693 expended at the Visitation at Cant[erbur]y the sum of	)/ )	x vi/
It[e]m for a horse journey the same time the sum[me] of	)/ )	ii vi/
It[e]m paid for writing the Bills of Presentm[ent] the sum[me] of	)/ )	ii/
It[e]m paid the Court Fees ther the sum[m]e of		ii iii/

It[em] 14 Oct paid Robert Dadd for killing)/
4 hedgehoggs the sum of) viii/

It[e]m paid for halfe a pinte of Oyle for)/
the Clock the sum[me] of) iii/

It[e]m for the use of a Oastheare to lay over)/
the Church rooffe when the tiles were to be) iii/
of and for carryeing the same the sum[me] of)/

It[e]m paid more to the said Mr Lees man)/
for killing seaven hedgehoggs) i ii/

It[e]m paid William Cooke for lookeing)/
after the Clocke halfe a yeare from) x/
Lady day to Mich[ael]mas 1693 the sum[me] of)/

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Item given Nov[ember] 1st to a poore woman w[i]th)/
a pass the sum[me] of) vi/

It[e]m for a hundred of Brush at a Bondfire)/
at the King's return from Flanders) xiii/
the sum[m]e of)/

It[e]m Expended at the same time at the)/
Crowne the sum[m]e of) vi viii/

Item for another horsehire to Linsted to)/
on parish buisnies the sum of) i/

Item given to two Souldiers who came from)/
Flanders with their wives and Children) ii/
goeing to London the sum[me] of)/

Item given to disbanded Sarjent who came)/
from Ostend and goeing to Scotland) vi/
the sum[m]e of)/

Item given to four poore women in their)/
journey to London the sum[m]e of) vi/

It[em] Nov[ember] 7th given to a poore woman in want iii/

Item given to nine passengers w[hi]ch were)/
retaken from a French privat[eer] the sum[m]e of) i/

It[em] 13 Nov[ember] spent at the Redd Lyon at)/
Sittingborne about parish buisnies the) iii vi/
sum[me] of)/

Item Paid John Bates for Beere for)/
the Ringers on the 5th of November)/
1693 and 3s on them that made the) viii/
Bondfire in all the sum[me] of)/

It[e]m spent at the White Hart about p[a]rish)/ buisnies ye 18 th Nov[ember] 1693 the sum[me] of)	i/
Item paid the Apparit[or] for a prayer)/ Booke for a day of thankes giving) for the Kings returne the sum[me] of)/	i/
Page 6/ It[e]m paid William Mun[n]s for a load of)/ sand used about the Church the sum of)	iii/
It[em] spent on the Ringers on the Day of)/ thanksgiveing ye sum[me] of)	ii vi/
It[em] paid Goodm[an] Hubbert for killing a)/ hedgehogg ye sum[me] of)	ii/
It[e]m paid William Witherden for killing)/ a hedgehogg ye sum[me] of)	ii/
It[em] paid for a Letter sent from the Navy)/ Office about p[a]rish buisnies ye sum of)	i/
It[em] paid Mr Webb for three quartes of)/ Com[m]union Wine and Bread at) Christmas ye sum of)/	vii viii/
It[em] paid Collins Boy for killing a hedgehogg	ii/
It[e]m given to a poore man and Child the)/ sum[me] of)	iii/
It[e]m paid William Cooke for Lookeing to)/ the Clocke a quarter of a yeare due) at Christmas 1693 the sum[me] of)/	v/
It[em] given to a poore man in want the sum[me] of	vi/
It[e]m paid Mr Tappenden halfe a yeares)/ Goale money the sum[me] of)	ii i iii/
It[e]m [deletion] given to a poore man his)/ wife and Child which had been)/ Prison[ers] in France and was goeing) to Tilburye ye sum[me] of)/	vi/
It[e]m paid Mr Tappenden for a order of)/ Sessions ab[ou]t hireing of Sarvants which)/ order was sett uppon the Church) doore the sum[me] of)/	i vi/
Page 7/ It[e]m given to a poore man on his journey)/ from London to Dover)	iii/
It[e]m given to a pooreman and his wife)/	

on their journey from the Isle of Ely) to Rumney Marsh the sum[me] of)/		iii/
It[e]m expended at Rochester at going to)/ Sir Francis Head and Justice Crumpe)/ to get their warrant recalled about) Hovendens Boy for my horse journey)/ the same time the sum[me] of)/	ii	vi/
It[e]m given to a poore woman on her)/ journey to Chatham the sum[me] of)		ii/
It[e]m given to a poore woman and Child)/ going to Sandw[i]ch the sum[me] of)		iii/
It[e]m given to a poore woman and Child)/ going from Cant[erbury] to London ye sum of)		vi/
It[e]m spent at Sittingborne at the justice)/ setting on p[a]rish buisnies the sum[me] of)	iiii	iiii/
It[e]m paid Edward Fenn as p[er] Bill for work)/ done about the Church the sum[me] of)	i	vi v/
It[e]m paid Mr Leese as p[er] Bill		v/
It[e]m Paid William Cutbush for a paire)/ of Laies for ye Towne Clocke ye sum[me] of)		iii/
It[em] given to two poore men w[hi]ch came)/ from Lanchashire and weare going)/ to Hothfield to one of their Brothers) the sum[me] of)/		i/
It[e]m] given to a wounded [deletion] Sargeant going)/ to Canterbury ye sum[me] of)		vi/
It[em] for my horsehire to Linsted and)/ Expenses when wee went to the setting) with the Officers of Halstowe ye sum[m]e of)/	iii	x/
Page 8/ It[em] paid for a Warrant to settle John Finches)/ Boy and William Haite ye sum[me] of)		i/
It[em] paid Rob[er]t [deletion] Dadd for going to Mr)/ Ruggs in the Night when Halstowe) officers came over about p[a]rish buisnies)/		iiii/
It[em] Expended with the Officers ye same)/ time the sum[me] of)		i/
It[em] paid Mr Baldens horsehire to Sir Edwin)/ Steedes on p[a]rish buisnies ye sum[me] of)		ii/
It[e]m paid Edward Parker for worke done)/		

about the Church the sum[me] of	)	v	iii xi/
It[em] Paid Edward Wildish for carryeing Tiles to the Church the sum[me] of	)/ )		i vi/
It[em] spent at the White Harte on p[ar]ish buisnies the sum[me] of	)/ )		i iii/
It[e]m Paid Mr Sam[uel] Leese man for killing a Hedgehogg the sum[me] of	)/ )		ii/
It[em] spent at the Whitehart after ye p[ar]ish had chosen new Officers being East[er] Munday ye sum[me] of	)/ ) )		xi ii/
It[em] paid Edward Parker for work done about the Bowling greene and house as p[er] Bill ye sum[me] of	)/ ) )		xiii vi/
It[e]m Paid William Cook for lookeing to the TowneClock a quart[er] of a yeare until Lady day 1694	)/ ) )		v/
It[em] given to a poore woman and Child goeing to Deale the sum[m]e of	)/ )		vi/
It[em] paid to a Boy for killing a hedgehogg			ii/
It[e]m] given to two poore women on theire journey from Deale to Kensington ye sum[me] of	)/ ) )		vi/
Page 9/ Item paid the widdow Gilbert for making upp the Boulding Greene the sum[me] of	)/ )		x/
It[em] paid too Mr Lees man 27 th Aprill for killing of five hedgehoggs the sum[m]e of	)/ )		x/
Item paid Francis Mowting for killing a Hedghogg ye sum[me] of	)/ )		ii/
It[e]m paid for three Bundles of Eathers at 6d p[er] bundle and three q[uar]ters] of a hundred of four foote and ½ stakes at four shillings and six Pence p[er] hundred and halfe a load of Bushes at tenne shillings p[er] Load and for working them about the Bowling Greene hedge in all the sum[me] of	)/ )/ ) ) ) ) )		xi xob/
It[em] given a Poore man that lost all his goods by Fire the sum[m]e of	)/ )		vi/
It[em] paid John Bates for Beare the Ringers had on the day the Lord Sidney was expected to have come by Milton from	)/ ) )		v/

Shearenass to Dover the sum[me] of)/)		
Item paid Mr Grouble for his Charge in going to Court to be sworne Churchwarden the sum[m]e of	)/ ) )		viii ii/
Item paid Mr Billing for Com[m]union Wine at Easter 1694 and Com[m]union Wine at Whitsuntide 1694 and breade at the same time and Beere the Ringers had at severall times as p[er] Bill in all the sum[me] of	)/ )/ )/ ) )/ )		xxviii/
Item Paid Mrs Baker widdow of Stephen Baker deceased late one of the Churchwardens of Milton aforesaid for the year 1693 for his disbursement in the time of his Churchwardenship as by Bill the sum[me] of	)/ )/ )/ ) )/ )		xvii viii/
Page 10/ Item paid Simon Evans for worke done aboute the Church the sum[me] of	)/ )		vi viii/
It[e]m paid Mr Rogers for Pluming and Glazeing worke about the Church as appears by Bill the sum[me] of	)/ ) )	ix	xv ii/
Item Paid Mr Theobald for money he was out of Purse when he gave upp his Churchwardens Accompts as p[er] Bill the sum[me] of	)/ )/ ) )	iii	ix
Item paid writeing ye last Assessment and Duplycate the sum[me] of	)/ )		viii/
It[e]m paid for writeing [deletion])		
these Accounts [insert – in the Church Books] the sum[me] of )	)		iii/
Item these Accomptants crave an allowance for severall Assessments of severall p[er]sons not collected as appeared by a Bill of p[ar]ticulers to the parish [deletion] when these Accompts were allowed in a Vestry ye 13 Jun[e] 1694 to which Act of Vestry these Accomptants referr there selves the sum[m]e of	)/ )/ )/ )/ ) )/ ) )	vi	vi vii/
Item Paid for writeing the Bill of Presentm[ent] and putting it and the Bill of Register into Court at Easter Visitation 1694 ye sum[me] of	)/ )/ ) )		iiii iii/
It[e]m Paid Mr Turner for writeing)		

the Bills of Register at both Visitat[i]ons) vi viii/
the sum[m]e of)/

Item paid the p[a]rish Clarke according to)/
custome the sum[m]e of) v/

It[e]m paid for washing the Ministers surplices)/
and mending ye same and washing) v/
ye Com[m]union Linnen ye sum[m]e of)/

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Sum[m]e of the Discharge Li xv ob/
Further these Accomptants crave an/
allowance of what necessary Charges/
they shall be putt unto in this Suite/

These Accomptants are out of Pockett)/
ye sum[m]e of) x vi ob/

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