

Dependent Sub-departments

Ceremonies 1660-1837

The office of the ceremonies was responsible for the reception of foreign dignitaries. According to *The Present State of the British Court*,

This Office was instituted by K. James I. for the more solemn and honourable reception of Ambassadors and Strangers of Quality, whom he introduces into the Presence. The Badge of Office is a Gold Chain and Medal, having on one side an Emblem of Peace, with K. James's Motto, and on the reverse the Emblem of War, with Dieu & Mondroit [*sic*]. He is always suppos'd to be a Person of good Address, and Master of Languages. He is constantly attending at Court, and has under him an Assistant, Master, or Deputy, who holds his Place during the King's Pleasure. There is also a third Officer call'd Marshall of the Ceremonies, whose Business is to [re]cieve and distribute the Master's Orders, or the Deputy's, for the Service; but without their Order can do nothing.¹

The offices of master, assistant master and marshal of the ceremonies were in the gift of the Crown, appointments being embodied in letters patent under the great seal. At the Restoration in 1660 Sir Balthazar Gerbier had a grant of the office of master while Sir Charles Cotterell had a grant of that of assistant master together with a reversionary interest in the mastership itself. Gerbier was unable to secure the office and was formally suspended in December 1660. Cotterell was admitted in June 1660 and received a grant by letters patent in the following February.²

Cotterell continued to receive the remuneration attached to the office of assistant master until 1668 when this was revived as a distinct office. Promotion from assistant to master was usual and in three instances assistants received reversionary grants of the principal office.³ The office of assistant master was held concurrently with that of marshal of the ceremonies 1710-40, 1745-58 and invariably from 1761.

The master received the aforementioned chain and medal, worth £60, and a salary of £200 to which an allowance of £100 was added in 1686. The assistant was paid 6s 8d a day. The marshal received £100.⁴

1. *PSBC*, pp. 34-5; see also Beattie, p. 48.

2. C 66/2891, gt. to Gerbier 10 May 1641; *CSPD 1641-3*, p. 66; *Docquets of Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of Charles I 1642-6*, ed. W.H. Black (1837), p. 403; *CSPD 1660-1*, p. 415; C 66/2999, gt. to Cotterell 13 Feb. 1661.

3. Gts. to Charles Cotterell 19 May 1675 (C 66/3168), John Dormer 7 June 1690 (C 66/3337), Charles Cotterell 27 Jan. 1699 and 12 Sept. 1702 (C 66/3337, 3435).

4. LC 3/24, f. 15; *CTB VII*, 827; Beattie, p. 210. The master was also the frequent recipient of gifts from departing ambassadors.

Master 1660-1837

1660	June	Cotterell, Sir C.
1686	30 Dec.	Cotterell, C.L.
1710	13 July	Cotterell, C.
1758	11 Nov.	Cotterell Dormer, C.
1770	Oct.	Cotterell Dormer, C.
1796	16 Dec.	Cotterell, S.
1818	27 May	Chester, Sir R.

Assistant Master 1668-1837

1668	23 Mar.	Cotterell, C.
1672	29 June	Cotterell, C.L.
1686	30 Dec.	Dormer, J.
1699	27 Jan.	Cotterell, C.
1707	6 May	Cotterell, C.
1710	14 Aug.	Inglis, J.
1740	13 May	Cotterell, C.
1758	11 Nov.	Cotterell, S.
1796	16 Dec.	Chester, R.
1818	27 May	Chester, R.
1822	21 Sept.	Crosbie, W.J.
1823	21 Mar.	Mash, H.T.B.
1825	5 Dec.	Hyde, T.S.

Marshal 1660-1837

1660	20 July	Andros, A.
1669	15 Mar.	Samborne, T.
1673	2 May	Le Bas, R.
1704	2 Feb.	Inglis, J.
1740	13 May	Cotterell, R.
1745	19 Apr.	Cotterell, C.
1759	19 Jan.	Wright, T.
1761	22 Apr.	Cotterell, S.
1796	16 Dec.	Chester, R.
1818	27 May	Chester, R.
1822	21 Sept.	Crosbie, W.J.
1823	21 Mar.	Mash, H.T.B.
1825	5 Dec.	Hyde, T.S.

Assistant Marshal 1699-?

1699 15 Sept. Le Bas, C.S.

Revels 1660-1782

The office of the revels anciently had the task of organizing plays, masques, balls and pageants at court. The master also had the licensing of plays, puppet-shows, and other diversions. The master was appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant.¹ Such appointments were also embodied in letters patent under the great seal and Sir Henry Herbert, Thomas Killigrew and Charles Killigrew received grants in reversion in this manner.² The office was held on a life tenure until 1725 and during pleasure thereafter. The salary was £10; however, this was augmented considerably by licensing fees.³

A comptroller of the revels was established in 1715.

The yeoman and groom of the revels were appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant.⁴ The yeoman's salary was £46 11s 8d, the groom's £10.⁵ Deputy masters and yeomen occasionally served. The groom's position was probably abolished at the accession of James II. The remaining offices were abolished in 1782.⁶

1. *PSBC*, pp. 36-7; LC 3/24, f. 18.

2. Letters patent to Herbert 22 Aug. 1629 (C 66/2512), to Charles Killigrew 6 Mar. 1668 (C 66/2591 reciting grant to Thomas Killigrew 12 Aug. 1660).

3. LC 3/5, f. 8.

4. LC 3/24, f. 18.

5. *CTB XVII*, 1020; LC 3/24, f. 18.

6. LS 13/117, pp. 71, 73.

Master 1660-1782

1660	20 June	Herbert, Sir H.
1673	1 May	Killigrew, T.
1677	24 Feb.	Killigrew, C.
1725	15 Mar.	Lee, F.H.
1731	8 Feb.	Lee, C.
1744	12 Apr.	Dayrolles, S.

Deputy to the Master 1663-?

1663	23 Dec.	Hayward, E.
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Comptroller 1715-?

1715 11 Apr. Selby, T.
1728 13 Apr. Laroche, J.

Yeoman 1660-1782

1660 25 June Carey, J.
1663 6 Aug. Harris, H.
1706 17 Jan. Warters, T.
1716 26 Mar. Mattox, T.
1716 19 Nov. Lamb, T.
1719 30 Sept. Potts, P.
1721 7 July Burnet, R.
1741 18 Dec. Fisher, T.
1743 16 Sept. Ball, T.
1758 13 Dec. Snigg, W.
1761 18 June Gladwin, H.
1763 8 Nov. Underwood, W.
1769 15 Jan. Underwood, J.

Deputy to the Yeoman 1692-?

1692 17 Aug. Shuttleworth, P.

Groom 1662-?1685

1662 Johnson, G.
1671 24 Oct. Clarke, J.

Removing Wardrobe 1660-1782

The removing wardrobe looked after those furnishings which traveled from palace to palace. 'It also attends upon Ambassadors, upon Christnings, Masques, Plays, &c. To furnish such things as are wanting, and to take Account of their re-delivery.' Its establishment consisted of a yeoman with a salary of £230, two grooms with salaries of £130 and three pages with salaries of £100, all appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant. Officers of the removing wardrobe also received riding wages and fees of honour, worth about £12 apiece under Queen Anne.¹ An assistant and two servants to the removing wardrobe were established in 1756 at £60, £40 and £30, respectively, per annum. The removing wardrobe was abolished in 1782.²

1. *PSBC*, pp. 28-29; LC 3/24, f. 13; *CTB XVII*, 1021; calculation explained in Bucholz, pp. 318-19 n. 102. See also Beattie, p. 47

2. LC 3/66, pp. 19, 20; LS 13/117, pp. 72-3.

Yeoman 1660-1782

1660	10 June	Kinnersley, C.
1662	1 Aug.	Wilkes, L.
1674	4 Jan.	Kinnersley, P.
1689	22 Mar.	Sackville, T.
1693	14 Jan.	Hume, P.
1708	3 Feb.	Davenant, G.
1710	29 Mar.	Maynard, Hon. G.
1743	21 Feb.	Calthorpe, J.

Deputy to the Yeoman by 1763-1782

By 1763	Ely, J.
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Grooms 1660-1782

1660	10 June	Wilkes, L.
[1660	10 June]	Bull, A
1660	10 June	Deane, S.
1662	1 Aug.	Ash, J.
1674	4 Jan.	Wood, E.
1681	26 May	Hume, P.
1682	14 Mar.	Chase, J.
1693	14 Jan.	Taylor, T.
1709	9 June	Eyre, C.N.
1713	3 Nov.	Eyre, C.C.
1716	15 Nov.	Williams, T.
1729	26 Dec.	Whichcote, P.
1730	10 Oct.	Williams, E.
1760	1 Mar.	Panton, T.
1762	13 Oct.	Heathcote, G.
1774	23 June	Lynn, C.S.

Pages 1660-1782

1660	10 June	Ash, J.
1660	10 June	Wood, E.
1660	10 June	Hume, T.
1662	31 July	Kinnersley, P.

1668	12 Dec.	Hume, P.
1674	5 Jan.	Chase, J.
1674	5 Jan.	Hinton, W.
1674	15 May	Evans, G.
1678	19 Jan.	Hodges, D.
1681	9 May	Bebington, M.
1682	14 Mar.	Taylor, T.
1683	15 Feb.	Ballow, M.
1689	4 May	Smith, C.
1693	14 Jan.	Heron, K.
1699	22 May	Sewell, J.
1702		Hallet, R.
1709	9 June	Lucas, C.
1710	13 Oct.	Williams, T.
1716	19 Nov.	Mattox, T.
1718	4 Apr.	Forbes, P.
1723	7 May	Keene, W.
1737	29 Apr.	Haywood, W.
1738	9 Jan.	Brietzcke, G.
1741	18 Dec.	Griffin, R.
1743	16 Sept.	Fisher, T.
1759	9 July	Evans, R.
1767	21 Dec.	Brine, W.
1777	29 Sept.	Whissel, W.
1782	15 Mar.	Brookes, B.

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1676	29 Dec.	Bebington, M.
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Assistant 1756-1782

1756	10 Oct.	Wright, S.
1764	3 Mar.	King, T.
1777	8 Jan.	Jeffreys, W.
1779	6 Feb.	McDonnell, M.

Servants 1756-?1782

1756	10 Oct.	Nost, S.
1756	10 Oct.	Whicherly, A.
By 1763		Ely, J.

Coffer Bearers 1660-1782

The duty of the coffer bearers was to load baggage when the court went on progress or moved between palaces. They were two in number and were appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant.¹ They received salaries of £27 7s 6d.² The offices were abolished in 1782.³

1. *PSBC*, p. 28; LC 3/24, f. 23.
2. *CTB XXVII*, 516.
3. LS 13/177, pp. 72-3.

1661	4 Oct.	Hayes, J.
1661	4 Oct.	Day, F.
1664	26 July	Rymell, E.
1685	7 May	Seward, J.
1685	7 May	Woolrich, M.
1696	14 Oct.	Harris, D.
1702	12 Dec.	Lovegrove, W.
1711	12 Feb.	Bridgewater, N.
1714	30 Apr.	Mounsey, M.
1722	12 June	Humphreys, E.
1727	3 Oct .	Fosbrook, R.
1734	Oct.	Geree, J.
1740	15 Feb.	Toplady, F.
1748	27 Nov.	Armsby, J.
1752	29 May	Thorpe, T.
1760	22 Oct.	Simonds, J.
1777	12 Nov.	Walton, I.
1779	31 Mar.	King, J.
1782	Mar.	King, T.

House and Wardrobe Keepers 1660-1837

The house and wardrobe keepers were responsible for looking after the sovereign's houses and the furniture within them, respectively. They were under the authority of the lord chamberlain, who appointed them. Some of these officers held by patent for life.¹

The under housekeeper and wardrobe keeper at Audley End was paid £150 in salary, £120 for keeping the garden and £100 for house cleaning under Charles II. This was reduced to £250 under William III. The position was abolished in 1702.²

The housekeeper at Brighton, first established as part of the main household in 1812, made £112 plus £64 10s in board wages and an allowance of £455 for ten housemaids.³

The housekeeper at Carlton House, also first established as part of the main household in 1812, made £110 in 1823. She was also given an allowance of £455 for ten housemaids. The position was abolished by the Establishment of 1831.⁴

The keeper of the standing wardrobe and privy lodgings at Greenwich received 8 [?shillings] per diem under Charles II. This was commuted to £225 per annum by the reign of William III.⁵

At Hampton Court, the housekeeper's position was linked to the rangership of Bushy Park. This position seems to have been unpaid and was usually held by letters patent by a peer. The under housekeeper at Hampton Court made £23 6s 8d per annum under Charles II, £250 under William III, £320 by 1720. In 1782 the under housekeeper's position was merged with that of the housekeeper at £320 per annum. This fell to £250 under George IV and William IV; however in 1825 the under housekeeper reported receiving an additional £393 4s in fees for showing the palace. The keeper of the standing wardrobe and privy lodgings made £51 11s 8d under Charles II, £200 by the reign of William III. The gallery keeper and overseer of the Queen's Dairy at Hampton Court was established in 1694 at £110, i.e. £54 for three servants at £18 apiece, £12 for a dairy maid, £10 for a house maid, £8 for a man-servant, £10 "for the Exchanging of Cows", and £16 in lieu of bills. According to a royal warrant of 28 September, six cows plus necessary utensils were purchased for £65 15s.⁶

At Kensington, a single house and wardrobe keeper (held jointly by successive married couples 1689-27) made £300 at the Exchequer and £127 15s from the cofferer per annum. Under William III, the de Briennes received an additional £36 10s for a servant. In 1782 the housekeeper's place was reduced from £486 18s to £300 per annum, which remained its remuneration to the end of the period. This officer also received £12 in lieu of wine. Under George III the wardrobe keeper made £100. The Housekeeper at Bayswater made £30 per annum in 1746.⁷

The housekeeper at Kew made £120 13s under George III. In 1823 a second housekeeper's position for Kew House was established at £112, augmented by an allowance of £136 10s for three housemaids. Finally, the keeper of the Cottage at Kew made £46 per annum.⁸

At Ludlow Castle, the keeper of the standing wardrobe received poundage on bills under Charles II. No payment is listed by the reign of William III. The housekeeper's position appears to have been honorary and unpaid. Both positions fail to appear on household establishments after 1702.⁹

Under Charles II Newmarket House was kept by an under housekeeper whose remuneration has not been determined. In 1689 a housekeeper and wardrobe keeper was established at £200 per annum. This figure rose to £210 by 1782, but was reduced in that year to £120. The position was abolished by 1823.¹⁰

The housekeeper at the Queen's House (later Buckingham House) made £450 under George III and George IV.¹¹

In 1831 a housekeeper of the Queen's Lodge at Bushy Park was established at £112.¹²

The housekeeper at Richmond made £78 per annum under William III.¹³

At St. James's, the housekeeper's and under housekeeper's positions were combined until the middle of Anne's reign at a salary of £80 per annum and 8d per diem. Thereafter the positions were split: the housekeeper's place became a sinecure at £92 3s 4d and the under housekeeper, who presumably performed the duty, received £60. In 1717 George I abolished the housekeeper's position by purchasing it from Robert Harley, Earl of Oxford for £7,500. By 1782 the under housekeeper's total emoluments had risen to £650 4s 6d, but this was reduced to £300 in that year. The keeper of the standing wardrobe received £110. This position was abolished as part of Economical Reform in 1782. On the Establishment of 1823 the housekeeper to the State Apartments at St. James's rose to £300 per annum. She also received £260 for lodging and £6 6s in lieu of wine. A deputy housekeeper was established at £112 in 1824. The 1831 establishment at St. James's was comprised of the housekeeper of the State Apartments at the above salary; a housekeeper of Old St. James's Palace and one of New St. James's Palace (*i.e.*, Buckingham Palace) at £112 apiece.¹⁴

At Somerset House, a housekeeper's position was established 1661-67, then again in 1714, when it received £200; that of the under housekeeper until 1707, when it received £100. The wardrobe keeper's position was established at £120 per annum under Charles II. By the reign of George III this had fallen to £100. The post of housekeeper was abolished as part of Economical Reform in 1782.¹⁵

The keeper of the wardrobe at the Tower of London made £36 per annum under Charles II. This position was apparently eliminated from the household rolls by 1685. The keeper of the lions was generally held by patent.¹⁶

The housekeeper at Westminster had custody not of the whole of the Palace of Westminster but only that part of it which came to be associated with the House of Lords, whence the holder derived his or her popular title. As such the housekeeper received 6s 8d per diem (£115 2s per annum) payable at the Exchequer and an allowance of 5s 8d per diem (or £121 13s 4d per annum) payable by the treasury of the Chamber. The history of this position is complicated. Although the housekeeper was, as a rule, admitted to office pursuant to a lord chamberlain's warrant, the right of appointment appears to have been vested effectively in the Crown. In 1660 the office was held by John Wynyard by virtue of a grant for life made in 1635. In 1673 he obtained a reversionary grant in favour of his wife, Margaret, and their daughter, Grace. Both were dead by 1676 when he obtained a further reversionary grant in favour of his two daughters, Elizabeth and Anne, successively. On John's death in 1690 Anne, the sole survivor, succeeded to the office. Shortly before her death in 1705 she surrendered her life interest and was granted instead a lease of the office for thirty-one years in favour of herself and her husband, John Incedon, and their heirs and assigns. In 1718 Incedon executed a deed assigning the unexpired portion of his lease to his daughter, Jane Grace, and his son, Charles, and their heirs successively. On Incedon's death in 1720 the office passed accordingly to Jane Grace who subsequently married Nathaniel Blackerby. On Jane Grace's death without issue in 1726 the office was vested in her brother who was, however, immediately bought out by Blackerby. In

the following year Blackerby surrendered the remainder of the lease and obtained a new grant of the office for thirty-one years. On his death in 1742 it passed in accordance with the terms of his will to his daughter, Anne. In 1756 Anne surrendered her interest and received in exchange yet another lease of thirty-one years in favour of herself and her younger sister, Elizabeth, and their assigns. Elizabeth Blackerby predeceased her sister in 1780. Thereafter, some confusion ensued. The lord chamberlain seems to have assumed that the office was vacant since the annual allowance of £121 13s 4d was transferred to Margaret Tolpay who received a warrant of appointment in 1782. However, Anne Blackerby continued to receive the salary of 6s 8d at the Exchequer until the expiry of the lease in 1787. Both salary and allowance were then transferred to Margaret Quarme who received a grant of the office by letters patent in 1789. In 1823 the position was slated for abolition at the next vacancy. The keeper of the armoury at Westminster made £13 6s 8d plus board wages of £26 13s 4d in 1689.¹⁷

At the beginning of the period, Whitehall had the most extensive establishment, as befitted its status as the largest and principal residence of the Sovereign. First, the housekeeper made £138 per annum under Charles II; this was raised to £650 under William III. He was supported by an under housekeeper at £13 per annum in wages, 4s per diem in board wages. This was raised to 5s per diem under William III. At the beginning of the period there were two keepers of the galleries and privy lodgings at £50 in wages, £100 in board wages, and £6 18s 4d in livery. The figure for board wages fell to £54 15s under William III. A theatre keeper made £30 per annum under William III. Finally the keeper of the standing wardrobe made £32 5s in wages, £127 15s in board wages (*i.e.*, 7s per diem) under Charles II. This became £200 under William III, then £160 under George II. The housekeeper's and under housekeeper's positions continued to be filled into the reign of George III, long after the destruction of Whitehall Palace in 1698, thereby becoming among the most notorious sinecures at the Hanoverian court. In 1755 a housekeeper of the cockpit at Whitehall was established at £60 per annum. In 1782, this last office was merged with that of the housekeeper.¹⁸

The housekeeper at Windsor made 8d per diem. By the reign of William III this became £320 per annum. His remuneration rose to £408 by 1782, but was reduced to £300 in that year and continued at this rate in subsequent reigns. Towards the end of the period there emerged a housekeeper of the state apartments at Windsor, which is not always distinguished in the admissions documents from the older position. The keeper of the standing wardrobe initially made £13 13s in wages. Under William III this became £160 per annum. This post was abolished as part of Economical Reform in 1782. In 1823 the housekeepers of the Cottage, Cumberland Lodge, and the Upper Lodge and Castle at Windsor made £112 apiece, plus allowances of £182 for four housemaids, £91 for two, and £455 for ten housemaids, respectively.¹⁹

The housekeeper at York seems to have been unpaid on the household establishments. His position was apparently abolished on the Establishment of 1685.

From 1806 all under housekeepers are listed as housekeepers.²⁰

1. LC 5/161, p. 105.

2. LC 3/24, f. 12; LC 3/3, p. 13.

3. LC 3/21; LC 3/72, p. 528.
4. LC 3/21; LC 3/22.
5. LC 3/24, f. 12; LC 3/3, p. 13.
6. LC 3/24, ff. 11v, 13v; LC 3/3, p. 12; *PSBC*, p. 29; LC 3/204, p. 206; AO 1/427/1; LC 3/21-22; LC 3/72, p. 342; Somerset Heritage Centre Nicholas Papers DD SF 10/2/16.
7. LC 3/3, p. 14; LS 13/40; LS 13/117, f. 72v; LC 3/21; LC 3/65, p. 203; LC 3/72, p. 348; *RK* [1772], p. 73; the wardrobe keeper was also known as the housekeeper: see LC 5/204, p. 207
8. LC 3/20; LC 3/72, p. 540.
9. LC 3/24, f. 13v, LC 7/1, f. 53; LC 3/3, p. 13.
10. LC 3/3, p. 13; LS 13/117, f. 72v; LC 3/20; LC 3/21.
11. LC 3/20; LC 3/21.
12. LC 3/22.
13. LC 3/3, p. 13.
14. LS 13/258, f. 26; Beattie, p. 46n 2; Chamberlayne [1707] III, 546; LC 3/7, f. 11; LC 5/204, p. 207; LS 13/117, f. 72v; LC 3/20-22; LC 3/3, p. 12; LC 3/72, 348
15. LC 3/7, f. 10; LC 5/204, p. 107; LC 3/5, f. 11; LC 3/25, f. 44v; *RK* [1772], p. 73.
16. LC 3/24, f. 12v; Beattie, p. 174.
17. Description of housekeeper's duties and history taken verbatim from a communication by J.C. Sainty; *CTB* XIV, 197; XVII, 122; XX, 406, 437; *PSBC*, p. 43; LC 3/20; C 66/2673, letters patent 19 Mar. 1635; C 66/3451, letters patent 26 Oct. 1705; E 403/2473, pp. 272-77, letters patent 20 Oct. 1727; Prob 11/718, f. 144; E 403/2479, pp. 229-33, letters patent 12 Nov. 1756; AO 1/426/219; AO 1/428/6; LC 3/67, p. 137; T 53/59, p. 446; T 58/59, p. 185; AO 1/428/6; C 66/3847, letters patent 11 Apr. 1789; LC 3/21; LS 13/39.
18. LC 3/24, ff. 11v, 12v, 13v; LC 3/3, pp. 12, 17, 21; Chamberlayne [1694], p. 236; LS 13/252, f. 123; Chamberlayne [1728] II iii, 61; LC 3/65, p. 286.
19. LC 3/24, ff. 11v, 12v; LC 3/3, p. 13; LS 13/117, f. 72v; LC 3/20-22; LC 5/204, p. 206.
20. *RK* [1806], p. 111.

Under Housekeeper, Keeper of the Privy Lodgings and Galleries, Wardrobe Keeper, and Keeper
of the Gardens at Audley End 1671-1702

1671	13 Oct.	Lacy J.
1683	8 Sept.	Howard, H.

Housekeeper at Brighton 1812-1837

1812	10 July	Smith, E.
1816	10 Jan.	White, A.
By 1822		Whittle, S.
1830	11 Oct .	Lovett, F.

Deputy Housekeeper at the Pavilion at Brighton 1829-?

1829 2 Mar. Jackson, S.

Steward and Comptroller of the House Establishment at Brighton c. 1830

By 1830 Tolle, J.

Housekeeper at Carlton House 1812-c. 1831

1812 10 July Evans, E.
1817 5 Jan. Wharton, E.

Housekeeper at Greenwich 1714-c. 1750

1714 20 Sept. Grifford, Sir W.
By 1723 Jennings, Sir J.
By 1748 Pelham, Lady C.

Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe and Privy Lodgings at Greenwich 1660-1702

1660 20 July Boreman, G.
1668 18 Nov. Bowles, W.
1682 16 Aug. Suckley, R.
1683 13 Nov. Yardley, W.

Under Keeper of the Palace, Privy Lodgings and Gardens at Greenwich 1674- ?

1674 23 Apr. Boreman, J.

Deputy Wardrobe Keeper and Keeper of the Privy Lodgings at Greenwich 1666-?

1666 23 Feb. Carpenter, W.

Housekeeper at Hampton Court 1660-1837

1660 18 Aug. Albemarle, 1st D. of
1670 12 Feb. Young, W. (?in trust for Cts. of Castlemaine & E. of Northumberland)
1677 12 Mar. Cleveland, B., Ds. of (joint)
1677 12 Mar. Northumberland, G., E. of (joint)
1709 3 June Halifax, Charles, Ld. (joint)

1709	3 June	Montagu, G. (joint)
1709	3 June	Montagu, Sir J. (joint)
1716	6 May	Halifax, Mary, Cts. of (joint)
1730	24 Mar.	Sunbury, G., Visct. (joint)
1758	3 Nov.	Montagu, Ly. A. (joint)
1771	20 July	North, Ly. A.
1797	22 Feb.	Clarence, 1 st Duke of
1830	14 Sept.	Adelaide, Queen

Under Housekeeper of Hampton Court 1660-1782

1660	8 June	Rustat, T.
By 1694		English, J.
1710	27 July	English, S.
1741	21 May	Taylor, M. M.
1753	24 Oct.	Mostyn, A.
1759	10 July	Mostyn, E.
1762	9 Feb.	Anderson, M.

Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe and Privy Lodgings at Hampton Court 1660-1837

1660	10 June	Smithsby, W.
1660	9 Nov.	Marriott, R.
1664	29 Dec.	Marriott, J.
1707	20 June	Marriott, R.
1721	13 Oct.	Huggins, W.
1727	7 Nov.	Turner, J.
1753	24 Oct.	Taylor, M. M.
1762	8 Feb.	Mostyn, E.
By 1785		Keet, M. (later Cecil)
1803	6 Apr.	Cecil, Lady A.
1813	12 June	Seymour, Lady E.
1825	22 Mar.	Montagu, Lady E.

Gallery Keeper and Overseer of the Queen's Dairy at Hampton Court 1694-?

1694	28 Sept.	Marriott, A.
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Housekeeper at Hyde Park (Bayswater) 1703-1782

1703		Portman (Seymour), H.
By 1746		Portman (Seymour), -

1746 17 Sept. Gould, L.
1761 27 Oct. Clapham, M.

Housekeeper and Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at Kensington 1689-1837

1689 24 Oct. De Brienne, M. (joint)
1689 24 Oct. De Brienne, S. (joint)
1700 13 Jan. Lowman, H. (joint)
1700 13 Jan. Lowman, M. (joint)
1727 28 Dec. Kein, J.
1762 9 Feb. Churchill, Lady M.
1764 31 Oct. Lloyd, R.
1803 10 Apr. Strode, I.
1837 24 Jan. De Lisle, S., Lady
1837 11 Apr. Gordon, Lady A.

Housekeeper at Kew by 1761-1837

By 1761 Duck, A.
1818 10 June De Pasquier, C.
1823 15 Nov. Murphy, M.
1830 11 Oct. Murphy, A.

Keeper of the Cottage in Kew Gardens by 1830-1837

By 1830 Middleship, J.
1831 27 June Middleship, S.

Keeper of the Observatory at Kew 1823-1830

1823 5 Apr. Weaver, T.

Attendants at the Observatory at Kew 1823-?

1823 5 July Demainbray, S.G.F.T.
1823 5 July Rigaut, S.P.

Chamber Keeper to the Observatory at Kew 1823-?

1823 5 Apr. Stroud, J.

Housekeeper at Ludlow Castle 1695-?1702

1695 29 Apr. Bradford, E. of

Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at Ludlow Castle 1660-?1702

1660 Hunton, T.
1674 15 Aug. Lloyd, W.
1695 22 May Haughton, J.

Housekeeper at Newmarket c. 1668-c. 1823

By 1668 Elliott, T.
1677 c.15 Sept. Elliott, E.
1685 7 Dec. Man, G. (and Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe)
1689 1 Nov. Walker, E.
1700 17 Jan. Walker, T.
1732 5 Apr. Charlton, A.
1736 21 Oct. Long, S.
1757 16 June Fitzherbert, W.
1761 6 June Bonfoy, M.
By 1792 Keet, E.
1793 13 Dec. Strode, I.
1799 11 Oct. Strode, C.

Under Housekeeper at Newmarket 1661-?

1661 9 Oct. Ford, R.
1707 20 May Russell, W.
1720 16 Jan. Russell, R.

Housekeeper at the Queen's House (later Buckingham House) by 1762-?1830

By 1762 Stainforth, E.
1785 May Stainforth, E.
1803 Jan. Chaveley, A. F. (joint)
1803 Jan. Chaveley, M. (joint)

Housekeeper at Richmond 1685-c. 1714; 1755-1837

1685 15 Oct. White, R.
By 1755 Powel, -
By 1765 Tunstall, -
By 1825 Murphy, A (from 1830 'at Kew')

Housekeeper at St. James's 1703-1717

1703 22 Apr. Granville, J., Lord
1708 7 May Beaufort, H., 2nd Duke of
1714 8 May Oxford, R., 1st Earl of. of

Under Housekeeper of St. James's (from c. 1806 Housekeeper at Old St. James's) 1706-1837

1706 4 July Brown, E.
1724 9 Apr. de Grave, L.
1741 31 Jan. Blondeau (aft. Lady Hart, then Lady Pelham), D.
1793 15 Dec. Keet, E.
1830 11 Oct. McEvoy, E.
1832 7 Jan. Smith, S. C.
1834 2 May Smith, E.

Deputy House Keeper at Old St. James's Palace 1824-1830

1824 24 July Whittle, S.

Housekeeper at New St. James's Palace 1830-1837

1830 11 Oct. Whittle, S.

Housekeeper of the State Apartments at St. James's 1830-1837

1830 11 Oct. Keet, E.

Keeper of the Cabinet Council Apartments [?at St. James's] c. 1807-?

1807 2 July Legge, Hon. H.

Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at St. James's 1689-1782

1689	22 Mar.	Hume, P.
1708	4 Feb.	Chase, J.
1709	8 June	Davenant, G.
1710	29 Mar.	Maynard, Hon. G.
1715	16 Jan.	Hutton, T. (and Under House Keeper)
1725	25 Sept.	Sanders, T.
1753	8 May	Williams, T.

Housekeeper at Somerset House 1661-1667; 1719-1782

1661	22 Jan.	Guildford, E. B.
1719	14 July	Stanley, Lady A.
1730	17 June	Campbell, M.
1761	10 July	Gunning, B.
1770	21 July	Travis, K.
1773	28 May	Harris, A.S.
1774	16 Apr.	Greville, H.

Keeper of the Wardrobe and Privy Lodgings at Somerset House 1660-1685

1660	11 June	Browne, H.
1680	9 Jan.	Whorwood, W.
1684	2 Dec.	Agar, T.

Under Housekeeper, Keeper of the Privy Lodgings and Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at Somerset House c. 1674

1674	1 Apr.	Purcell, F.
1674	1 Apr.	Purcell, T.

Under Housekeeper and Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at Somerset House 1707-?1778

1707	13 June	Hutton, T.
1725	29 Oct.	Blechynden, E.
1738	1 May	Grosvener, A.
1750	17 Nov.	Brietzeke, C.

Keeper of the Wardrobe at the Tower of London 1660-?1685

1660	16 July	Pigeon, J.
1664	29 Oct .	Kinnersley, P.
1664	27 Dec.	Davies, D.

Keeper of the Lions in the Tower of London 1688-?1760

1688	3 Aug.	Spicer, J.
By 1714		Gibson, W.
1714	4 July	Fouchet, T.
1727	7 Nov.	Martin, J.
1739	8 Nov.	Ellis, J.
1757	10 Oct.	Bristow, J.

Keeper of the Fishing Temple and Cottage at Virginia Water 1834-1837

1834	14 May	Whiting, A.
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Housekeeper at Westminster Palace 1660-1837

1660	June	Wynyard, J.
1690	26 Dec.	Wynyard, A (joint from 1 Nov. 1705).
1705	1 Nov.	Inclendon, J. (joint to 20 Dec. 1705)
1720	17 Mar.	Inclendon, J. G.
1726	25 June	Blackerby, N.
1742	5 June	Blackerby, A. (joint from c. 1765)
By 1765		Blackerby, E.W. (joint)
1782	9 July	Tolpay, M.
By 1787		Quarme, M.
1812	30 Sept.	Brandish, F.

Keeper of the Private Armory at Westminster 1689-1764

1689	30 Apr.	de Beaubuisson, P.
1689	6 Nov.	Haughton, J.
1703	6 Oct.	Cull, R.
1725	25 Dec.	Spence, E.

Housekeeper at Whitehall 1660-1782
(from 1782 see Housekeeper of the Cockpit)

1660	10 June	Kirke, G.
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1679	25 Oct.	Kirke, P.
1687	16 Nov.	Kirke, P. [sen.]
1691	30 Nov.	Kirke, P. [jun.]
1756	25 May	Manners, J.

Under Housekeeper at Whitehall 1660-1679; c. 1694-?

1660	30 Dec.	Vaux, G. (joint from 1661)
1661	26 June	Vaux, J. (joint)
1670	19 Mar.	Sturt, A. (joint)
1670	19 Mar.	Morris, T. (joint)
1670	29 Mar.	Man, W.
1671	8 Nov.	Kirke, C.
1678	24 Apr.	Kirke, P.

By 1694		Beddoe, R.
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Housekeeper of the Cockpit at Whitehall 1755-1837

1755	8 Feb.	Parker, T.
1798	4 Feb.	Mash, A.
1810	14 Apr.	Mash, M.A.

Keepers of the Privy Lodgings and Galleries at Whitehall 1660-?1702

1660		Winstanley, -
1660		Jolly, -
1661	29 Sept.	Pawlett, C.
1661	29 Sept.	Harrison, F.
1667	28 May	Champion, R.
1686	13 May	Pawlett, W.

Keeper of the Privy Lodgings and Galleries in Reversion 1676-1686

1676	15 Mar.	Pawlett, W.
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Theatre Keeper at Whitehall 1665-by 1702

1665	10 Feb.	Johnson, G.
1672	15 Nov.	Johnson, P.
1678	24 Apr.	Clarke, J.

Scenekeeper in the Theatre at Whitehall 1665-?

1665 10 Apr. Bennet, J.

Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at Whitehall c. 1661-c. 1756

1660 Rogers, F. [?sen.]
1670 10 June Rogers, F. [?jun.]
1685 3 Aug. Rogers, E.
1689 17 May Rogers, F.
1689 22 Oct. Child, D.
?By 1726 Colinge, W.
1726 6 Nov. Brumpstead, C.
By 1745 Ryder, M.

Keeper of the Orchard Gate in Channel Row 1690-?; 1727-?

1690 10 July Beddoe, R.
1727 9 Oct. Dunch, E.

Housekeeper at Windsor Castle 1660-1837

1660 20 July Llewelin, D.
1668 1 Aug. Deladale, M.
1674 6 Jan. Randue, T.
1724 28 Apr. Marriott, A.
1751 1 Jan. Chudleigh, H.
1756 30 Jan. Handasyd, S.
1765 8 Jan. Churchill, Lady M.
1801 31 Aug. Townshend, G.
1823 6 Jan. Powell, M..
1829 19 Dec. White, A.

Housekeeper of the State Apartments at Windsor by 1832-1837

By 1832 Townshend, Hon. G.
1835 12 Sept. Fox, Lady M.

Housekeeper of the Garden House at Windsor 1719-c. 1832

1719	31 Dec.	Cosby, G.
1814	3 June	Whittle, S. (Cottage, Windsor Great Park)
By 1822		Lovett, F. (Windsor Cottage)

Housekeeper of Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park by 1792-c. 1830

By 1792		Evans, E. (Windsor Lodge)
By 1800		Bowman, - (Windsor Lodge)
By 1804		Powell, M. (Windsor Lodge)

1815	4 May	Lovett, F.
By 1822		White, A.

Housekeeper of the King's and Cumberland Lodges 1830-1837

1830	11 Oct.	Jackson, S.
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Keeper of the Standing Wardrobe at Windsor 1660-1782

1660	10 June	Davies, J.
1681	27 Dec.	Hall, T.
1719	27 Oct.	Mann, N.
1754	4 Feb.	Wright, L.
1767	4 Mar.	Hewitt, J.

Housekeeper at York 1660-?1685

1660	10 Aug.	Harward, H.
1671	24 Jan.	Progers, E.

Under Housekeeper at York 1664-1671

1664	12 May	Darcy, H.
1668	2 May	Strickland, W.

Independent Sub-departments

Robes 1660-1837

The duty of the office of the robes was to 'order all his majesty's Robes; as those of his Coronation, of St. George's Feast, and parliament also, of all his majesty's wearing Apparel, of his Collar of SS's, George and Garter, beset with Diamonds and Pearls.' The office accounted separately to the Treasury.¹

At the beginning of the period the salaried officers of the robes consisted of a master, a clerk of the robes and wardrobes, a yeoman, three grooms, a page, a brusher, and a tailor in addition to about twenty tradesmen paid via bills for goods and services. The office of master, or gentleman and master, was in the gift of the Crown. The master, often a favourite, was admitted in pursuance of a warrant issued for that purpose. In 1662 this warrant was directed to the groom of the stole; subsequent warrants were directed to the lord chamberlain until 1830 when Seymour was appointed directly by royal warrant.² Until 1809, except for those made during the reign of Anne, appointments were embodied in letters patent under the great seal which granted the office for life until 1679 and during pleasure thereafter. The salary was originally £500. During the reign of Anne it was increased to £600. In 1716 it was £1,240. From 1727 it was fixed at £800.³

The yeoman was appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant. Under George I his salary was £380; by 1761 it had fallen to £255. Early in the period he was also entitled to fees of honour worth about £15 under George I. The office was abolished in 1782.⁴ The grooms were appointed in the same manner. They numbered three except during the reigns of James II and Anne when they were reduced to one. Three served from 1715 to 1783-4 when they were again reduced to one. In 1761 the first and second grooms received £80 and the third £60 a year. Under William III the page of the robes made £20. This rose to £58 by 1782. Early in the period, the yeoman, grooms, and page all received riding wages and livery worth £40 per annum apiece. The grooms were also entitled to fees of honour, which averaged about £16 a year under Queen Anne.⁵ The brusher of the robes made £40 plus livery money of £20 per annum. By 1782 his total emoluments had risen to £80 per annum. Early in the period, the tailor of the robes was the only paid tradesman: he made £83 5s in livery money under William III. This payment appears to have been abolished by 1714. However, by 1763 the furrier was paid £20 per annum. By 1782 the waiters made £90 and £50 respectively. In 1784, the messenger of the robes made £60 per annum.⁶

All subordinate trades positions were appointed by the master, who requested the lord chamberlain to order that the gentleman usher, daily waiter swear them in. At the accession of Queen Anne her mistress of the robes, Sarah, Countess of Marlborough, refused to designate any tradesmen in ordinary in an attempt to leave the Crown free to contract on an individual basis with the least expensive supplier.⁷

1. Chamberlayne [1707] II, p. 175; *PSBC*, p. 30; LC 3/24, f. 21. See *also* Beattie, pp. 63-5, 134-5.

2. Chamberlayne [1669.2], p. 263; *CSPD 1661-2*, p. 367; *CSPD 1678*, p. 319; HO 38/28, pp. 283-4.

3. LC 3/24, f. 21; Bucholz, p. 317 n. 90; *CTB XXV*, 186-7; *ibid.* XXX, 342; SP 44/362, p. 64.
4. Beattie, p. 210; T 52/51, p. 434; LS 13/117, pp. 72, 73.
5. *RK* (1784), p. 89; *ibid.* (1785), p. 89; T 52/51, p. 75. Calculation of fees of honour explained in Bucholz, pp. 318-19 n. 102.
6. LC 3/3, f. 3 (however, cf. Miede [1691] I, 162 for a different figure); Shelburne MSS. 125, p. 231; LC 3/4, p. 17; LC 3/7, f. 17; *CCR* [1763], p. 77; *CJ XL*, p. 340.
7. LC 3/30, f. 9v; *PSBC*, p. 30; LC 3/63, pp. 9-10; LC 3/67, p. 177; LC 3/64 p. 124; Bucholz, pp. 49-50.

Master 1660-1837

1660	5 June	Mansfield, Viscount
1662	9 May	Hyde, Hon. L.
1678	26 July	Godolphin, S.
1679	4 June	Sydney, Hon. H.
1685	30 May	Herbert, A.
1687	11 Mar.	Howard, Lord T.
1690	20 Mar.	Nassau de Zuylestein, W.H.
1695	4 May	Keppel, A.J.
1701	8 May	Nassau, C.
1702	19 June	Marlborough, Countess of
1711	24 Jan.	Somerset, Duchess of
1714	12 Oct.	Cadogan, W.
1727	16 May	Malpas, Lord
1727	26 Sept.	Schutz, A.
1757	9 June	Finch, Hon. E.
1760	4 Dec.	Brudenell, Hon. J.
1791	10 June	Peachey, Sir J.
1808	19 Nov.	Harcourt, Hon. W.
1809	1 June	Sedley, Hon. H.
1812	10 Mar.	Thomas, C.N.
1820	4 Apr.	Conyngham, Lord F.N.
1830	24 July	Pole, Sir C. M.
1830	7 Sept.	Seymour, G.F.

Clerk of the Robes 1727-1787

1727	18 Oct.	Towers, S.
1728	23 May	Hobbs, J.
1730	1 Dec.	Migault, J.
1738	13 Apr.	Malliet, J.

Groom and Clerk of the Robes 1787-1830

1787 Rowland, H., sen.
1812 11 Mar. Brent, T.

Clerk of the Robes 1830-1837

1830 15 Sept. Browell, H.
1835 23 Nov. Browell, E. M.

Yeoman 1660-1782

1660 5 June Rustat, T.
1685 21 July Thomlinson, J.
1689 14 Mar. Watson, E.
1690 21 May van Boursenburg, J.
1699 22 Dec. Williams, W.
1702 12 Dec. Thomas, R.
1715 23 Sept. Hodges, C.
1719 13 Mar. Highmore, J.
1722 25 Jan. Hancock, J.
1732 10 Apr. Madan, J.

Grooms 1660-1837

1660 18 June Purcell, T.
1660 19 June Ferine, P.
1660 20 June Duncombe, J.
1660 30 June Watson, J.
1673 17 June De Henin, A.
1679 8 Apr. Rustat, R.
1680 26 June Spencer, G.
1681 27 Dec. Graham, D.
1682 13 Jan. Purcell, F.
1685 17 June Roudle, J.
1689 18 Mar. Drake, B.
1689 18 Mar. Spencer, G.
1689 18 Mar. Fremin, P.
1695 6 May Williams, W.
1697 21 Apr. Tozer, P.
1702 12 Dec. Hodges, C.
1715 21 Sept. Macret, D.
1715 23 Sept. Collop, H.
1715 23 Sept. Pitt, S.
1722 20 Oct. Waller, R.

1724	22 Sept.	Ryley, A.
1729	4 Nov.	Lawman, A.W.
1743	10 June	Jones, F.
1750	8 Nov.	Elliot, R.
1752	29 Sept.	Malliet, J.
1754	18 Nov.	Charles, A.
1764		Baglin, E.
1770		Minet, F.
1781	14 Feb.	Yvounet, J.
1786		Rowland, H.
1812	11 Mar.	Brent, T.
1830	27 July	FitzClarence, A.
1833	5 Jan.	Seymour, F.H.

Supernumerary Groom 1660-?

1660	17 Aug.	Watson, J.
1662	7 Mar.	Kirke, H.

Groom in Reversion 1675-1679

1675	22 Nov.	Rustat, R.
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Page 1663-1685; 1689-1702; 1714-1782

1661	21 Aug.	Dancer, J.
1663	12 Feb.	Carr, H.
1666	7 Aug.	Lambert, A.
1667	15 Sept.	Rustat, R.
1679	5 Feb.	Ward, J., jun.
1681	22 July	Bland, C.
1685		<i>Office vacant</i>
1689	16 Mar.	Bland, E.
1700	13 May	Bland, C.
1702		<i>Office vacant</i>
1714	18 Oct.	Smith, W.
1735	13 Dec.	Tyrrell, D.
1757	9 Nov.	Major, T.
By 1772		Hope, H.
1775	25 Nov.	Peck, W.

Waiters 1702-c. 1790

1702	12 Dec.	Forster, W.
1702	12 Dec.	Curtis, G.
1711	12 Feb.	Pigott, H.
1711	12 Feb.	Felton, J.
1714	30 Apr.	Bridgewater, N.
1715	23 Sept.	Curtis, G., jun.
1715	23 Sept.	Smith, J.
1723	26 Feb.	Welstead, L.
1723	28 Nov.	Smelt, W.
1728	23 May	Towers, S.
1729	4 Nov.	Smith, J.
1740	25 Feb.	Willoughby, R.
1756	4 May	Teede, J.
By 1765		Taylor, T.
1781	24 Apr.	Turner, C.

Brusher 1660-1782

[1660]		Alexander, J.
1660	16 Dec.	Hodges, L.
1663	3 Oct.	Hodges, T.
1682	24 Oct.	Hodges, B.
1683	4 Sept.	Pitt, J.
1685	17 June	Chanvoys, W.
1689	10 May	Williams, P.
1714	18 Oct.	Foulkes, D.
1719	3 Apr.	Geree, J.
1745	28 Jan.	Malliet, J.
1752	29 Apr.	Yvounet, J.
1781	11 Feb.	Mathias, G.

Tailor 1660-1702; c. 1714-1723; c. 1738-1764; c. 1769-?1805

1660	25 June	Bocock, T.
1681	28 Sept.	Hayes, J.
c. 1714		Fox, F.
1723	16 Dec.	Richardson, A.
By 1738		Haines, W.
By 1748		Restell, G.
By 1769		Gueneau, M.

By 1771	Lockwood, M.
1779 24 Nov.	Darwell, T.
1785 Feb.	Morse, W.

Furrier 1670-?1685; c. 1714-c. 1822

1670 24 Dec.	Adey, N.
c. 1714	Rymers, J.
1727 18 Oct.	Gittins, J.
1748 27 Nov.	Norris, R.
1759 24 Feb.	Kleinert, T.
1785 4 Sept.	Kleinert, S. G.
1809 28 Mar.	Schnieder, J. N.

Messenger by 1707-c. 1832

By 1707	Jones, D.
By 1716	Tyson, H.
1730 1 Dec.	Hobbs, J.
By 1768	Bishop, J.
1812 11 Mar.	Burton, J.
1813 1 Feb.	Ward, E.

Jewel Office 1660-1782

The jewel office fashioned, kept and weighed the King's plate and provided gifts of plate to foreign dignitaries. The master of the jewel office was appointed by royal warrant.¹ As a general rule appointments were embodied in letters patent under the great seal but this course was not followed during the reign of Anne. Talbot was appointed for life.² Lawley was appointed for the life of Talbot and during pleasure thereafter. All remaining grants were during pleasure. The master enjoyed a patent fee of £50 transferred in 1685 from the Exchequer to the treasurer of the chamber. In 1686 he was granted a salary of £400 from the cofferer in lieu of a number of earlier allowances. He was also entitled to lodgings or £80 in lieu thereof. In 1730 he was granted £700 a year at the Exchequer making a total of £1,150.³

The clerk, yeomen and groom of the office were appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant, the clerk's appointment being embodied in letters patent under the great seal. The offices of clerk and groom were held singly. Two yeomen were appointed except during the years 1702-41 when only one served. The salary of the clerk was £13 6s 8d, of the yeomen £106 15s and of the groom £105 8s 4d. In addition, the yeoman made £182 in office fees by 1782. All were entitled to riding wages⁴

The goldsmith supplied plate to the jewel office and was paid directly out of the Exchequer. The jeweler and silversmith performed work for the office as well. Prior to 1782, the offices of goldsmith and jeweler were in the gift of the master of the jewel office, who wrote to the lord chamberlain to order the gentlemen ushers, quarter waiters to swear them in. For most of Charles II's reign there were three goldsmiths at £10 per annum, two jewelers at £100 per annum, several subordinate jewelers at £10 apiece and a working jeweler (?with no fixed salary) attached to the jewel office. Subsequently one goldsmith, one jeweler and (under William III) a silversmith served with no fixed salary until 1782.⁵

After the abolition of the jewel office in 1782,⁶ the goldsmiths, jewelers and silversmiths were appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant to the gentleman usher's daily waiters. These offices were often combined and the number of their holders varied considerably.

1. *PSBC*, p. 32; Beattie, p. 50.
2. Talbot's predecessor, Sir Henry Mildmay, did not surrender his patent until 1 July 1661. Although sworn in on 21 June 1660, Talbot did not receive his patent until 27 Oct. 1661 (C 66/2978).
3. *CTB VIII*, 379, 752; *CTBP 1729-30*, p. 816; Beattie, p. 210.
4. *CTB XVII*, 1017; Beattie, p. 210.
5. See *PSBC*, p. 32; LC 3/66, p. 65; LC 3/24, f. 15. However, cf. Chamberlayne [1692], p. 135 which gives a salary of £100 for the jeweler. **NB:** Goldsmiths, silversmiths and jewelers appointed at particular locations outside of London and Windsor (*i.e.*, Bath, Portsmouth, Truro, etc.) are not listed on the assumption that their work for the household was occasional and paid for on an *ad hoc* basis.
6. 22 Geo. III, c. 82.

Master 1660-1782

1660	21 June	Talbot, Sir G.
1690	25 Apr.	Lawley, Sir F.
1696	30 Nov.	Montagu, Hon. H.
1698	11 May	Godfrey, C.
1704	23 Nov.	Charlton, J.
1711	8 June	Finch, Hon. H.
1716	28 Feb.	Brudenell, Hon. J.
1730	24 June	Lynne, Lord
1739	12 Feb.	Abergavenny, 16th Lord
1745	2 May	Glenorchy, Lord
1756	7 Dec.	Lyttelton, Sir R.
1763	23 Feb.	Darlington, 2nd Earl of

Clerk 1661-1782

1661	8 Apr.	Briddall, W.
1688	14 May	Briddall, J.
1695	28 Jan.	Sedgwick, R.
1719	14 May	Sedgwick, R.
1744	19 Apr.	Mathew, R.
1760	3 Apr.	Egerton, W.

Yeomen 1660-1782

1660	24 June	Layton, F.
1660	24 June	Painter, H.
1661	4 Oct.	Briddall, W.
1670	6 July	Tindall, T.
1682	28 June	Briddall, P.
1685	15 May	Gilbert, J.
1696	24 Dec.	Pauncefort, E.
1725	5 Oct.	Aldworth, R.
1738	4 May	Dineley, T.
1741	9 Feb.	Mathew, R.
1760	3 Apr.	Egerton, W.
1777		Hope, C.

Groom 1660-1782

1660	24 June	Mildmay, C.
1660	19 Oct.	Harvey <i>alias</i> Mildmay, F.
1660	6 Dec.	Tindall, T.
1670	6 July	Gilbert, J.
1682	25 Jan.	Briddall, P.
1682	28 June	Vyner, T.
1688	14 Feb.	Vyner, R.
1688	26 Oct.	Vyner, T.
1694	9 July	Yardley, E.
1730	22 Apr.	Yardley, E.
1779	6 Dec.	Paddey, J.

Goldsmiths 1660-1837

1660	20 May	Everard, C., sen.
[1660]		Everard, C., jun.
1660	12 July	Vyner, Sir R., Bart.
1671	20 Nov.	Stratford, R.
1671	20 Nov.	Lewys, H.

1688	26 Oct.	Vyner, Sir R., Bart.
1690	4 Mar.	Eales, B.
1694	13 Aug.	Shales, C.
By 1703		Smethin, S.
1716	25 Apr.	Delamarie, P.
1723	28 Sept.	Tysoe, J.
1730	10 July	Minors, T.
1759	12 July	Boldero, J.
By 1763		Hemming, T.]
1797	15 Mar.	Bridge, J.
1797	15 Mar.	Gilbert, P.
1797	15 Mar.	Rundell, P.
1817	13 Aug.	Thomas, J. (and Watchmaker)
1817	13 Aug.	Hawley, C. (and Watchmaker)
1820	5 Apr.	Hawley, T. (And Watchmaker)
1821	21 May	Hamlet, T. (and Jeweler)
By 1822		Garrard, R. J. (and Jeweler)
By 1822		Garrard, S. (and Jeweler)
1825	29 Dec.	Thomas, R., sen.
1825	29 Dec.	Thomas, R., jun.
1825	29 Dec.	Thomas, G.
1826	8 Mar.	Gilbert, M.
1830	1 Sept.	Bridge, J. G. (and Jeweler)
1830	1 Sept.	Bigge, T. (And Jeweler)
1830	16 Aug.	James, R.
1830	20 Sept.	Green, T. A.
1830	20 Sept.	Green, J.
1830	20 Sept.	Ward, G.
1830	20 Sept.	Turner, C. (and Jeweler)
1830	20 Sept.	Turner, J.(and Jeweler)
1830	20 Sept.	Turner, J., jun. (and Jeweler)
1830	20 Sept.	Turner, T., jun. (and Jeweler)
1830	7 Oct.	Adams, J. M. (and Jeweler)

Goldsmith in Ordinary [?w/o fee] 1683-?

1683	27 July	Beare, G.
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Goldsmith in Extraordinary 1663-1685

1663	20 Jan.	Le Roux, C.
1672	26 Mar.	Grimes, J. (and Jeweler)
1672	26 Mar.	Meynell, I. (and Jeweler)
1676	14 June	Rollos, P.

1683 27 July Beare, G.

Silversmith 1664-1685; 1690-?1702; 1830-1837

1664 18 Jan. van Veranien, C.
1671 27 May Stirling, S.
1677 3 July van Wyck, C.
1678 18 Nov. De Moor, J. H.

1690 8 Jan. Fallowe, S.
1694 5 May Jenkins, T.

1830 16 Aug. Lamport, W. H. (and Jeweler)
1830 16 Aug. Lambert, F. (and Jeweler)
1830 16 Aug. Rawling, W. (and Jeweler)
1830 15 Nov. Attwood, W.
1834 25 Nov. Emanuel, M. (and Jeweler)
1834 25 Nov. Emanuel, H. (and Jeweler)
1834 25 Nov. Emanuel, M. (and Jeweler)

Modeler and Silversmith 1833-1837

1833 12 June Wimbush, T.

Jeweler 1660-1727; 1735; 1797-1837

1660 13 June Sympson, F.
1660 13 June Sympson, J.
1666 24 Dec. Le Gouch, I.
1676 9 Sept. Lyndsay, J.
1680 8 Mar. Champneys, G.
1683 28 Feb. Schoult, J.
1685 12 Mar. Ross, C.
1689 Mar. Child, Sir F.
1691 24 Apr. Mussard, P.
1697 15 May Evance, Sir S.
1714 30 Oct. Green, N.
1725 1 Mar. Moses, M.

By 1735 Shales, -

1797 15 Mar. Bridge, J.
1797 Mar. Rundell, P.

1798	31 Jan.	Gilbert, P.
1817	6 June	Marshall, W. (to Prince Regent)
1824	19 Feb.	Smillie, J. (and Lapidary)

Working Jeweler 1661-?1685

1661	14 Apr.	Bellonne, P.
1670	24 Oct.	Castelin, E. D.

Jeweler in Extraordinary 1662-1685

1662	15 Nov.	Cokayne, H.
1664	21 Jan.	Dardemme, M. (for the King's Cabinet)
1668	20 Jan.	Russell, R.
1668	14 May	Le Roy, J.
1672	20 Jan.	Portman, G.
1672	20 Jan.	Portman, J.
1672	27 Apr.	Welstead, R.
1672	2 May	Price, T.
1672	27 Apr.	Temple, T.
1672	2 May	Turner, B.
1672	30 Oct.	Snowe, J.
1673	1 Apr.	Reeves, P.
1673	2 Apr.	Pardoe, T.
1673	2 Apr.	Coleville, D.
1673	2 Apr.	Rowe, T.
1674	7 Nov.	Mussard, P. (for the King's Cabinet)
1675	19 Jan.	Ryves, R.
1676	26 Mar.	Whitehall, G.

Keeper of the Jewels in the Tower of London c. 1814

By 1814		Hoare, G.
1814	9 Apr.	Swift, E. L.

Great Wardrobe 1660-1782

According to the 1707 edition of Chamberlayne:

This Office is to make Provisions for Coronations, Marriages and Funerals of the Royal Family; to furnish the Court with Beds, Hangings, Clothes of Estate, Carpets, and other Necessaries; to furnish Houses for Ambassadors, at their first arrival here; Presents for Foreign Princes and Ambassadors; Clothes of Estate,

and other Furniture for the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Lord President of Wales; and all her Majesty's Ambassadors abroad; to provide all Robes for foreign Knights of the Garter, Robes for Knights of the Garter at home, and Robes and all other Furniture for the Officers of the Garter, Coats for Kings, Herald's, and Pursuivants at Arms, Robes for the Lord Treasurer, and under Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, &c. Livery for the Lord Chamberlain, Grooms of her Majesty's Privy-Chamber, Officers of her Majesty's Robes, and diverse other her Majesty's Servants; Rich Liveries for the two Lords Chief Justices; all the Barons of the Exchequer; diverse Officers in those Courts; all Liveries for her Majesties Servants, as Yeomen of the Guard, and Warders of the Tower, Trumpeters, Kettle-Drummers, Drummers and Fifes; the Messengers, and all belonging to the Stables, as Coachmen, Footmen, Littermen, Postillions and Grooms, &c. All Coaches, Chariots, Harnesses, Saddles, Bits, Bridles, &c. The Queen's Watermen, Game-keepers, &c., All Linnen and Laces for her Majesty's Person, &c., As also such embroider'd Tilts and other Furniture for the Barges; Furniture for all Royal Yachts; Furniture of Courts for arraignment of Peers, and very many other Services....since the great fire of London, this Office is kept in York-House Buildings.

The principal officer of the great wardrobe was the master. He was appointed by the Crown by letters patent under the great seal. The grants in 1660 and 1671 in favour of Sir Edward Montagu and Ralph Montagu were for life. Despite this, the latter was displaced on the accession of James II in 1685 by Viscount Preston who was appointed during pleasure. Montagu returned to office in 1689 by virtue of his grant of 1671. His son, the second Duke of Montagu, received a life grant in reversion in 1705 which did not expire until his death in 1749. Thereafter all grants were during pleasure. In 1674 the Master was granted a fixed salary of £2,000 in lieu of poundage, plus a livery payment of £106 3s 4d. The former was reduced to £800 in 1749, increased again to £2,000 in 1760, and finally fixed at £1,400 in 1775. In fact, the master continued to receive poundage on some goods, yielding at least £300 and 'probably much more'.²

The office of deputy was in the gift of the master. His salary, fixed at £200 in 1674, was reduced to £150 in 1761. The assistant to the deputy master was established by 1765 and made £50 per annum.³

The office of clerk of the great wardrobe was appointed by the Crown by letters patent under the great seal. Grants were for life except that of 1706 which was during pleasure. The salary was fixed at £300 in lieu of fees in 1674. In addition, he received livery worth £34 and continued to take poundage on some goods.⁴

The clerk of the robes and wardrobes, appointed by lord chamberlain's warrant, was under the direction of the great wardrobe. He received a salary of £160. Under Charles II, Richard Colinge and his son, Richard, held the reversion to the office by letters patent. The clerk assistant of the robes and wardrobes made £12 per annum, livery of £40 and £30 for passing accounts.⁵

The offices of comptroller and surveyor of the great wardrobe were instituted in 1667-68 with

salaries of £300 each. Appointments were made by the Crown by letters patent under the great seal. Both offices lapsed in 1685. The office of comptroller was revived in 1729. Appointments thereafter were made by royal warrant under the sign manual. The salary, originally £500, had been reduced to £300 by 1749. There were two clerks to the surveyor. By 1703, an under clerk had been established; a second was added by 1724. By 1782 these positions were sinecures at £17 10s apiece.⁶

In addition to the principal officers of the great wardrobe, there were about 60 tradesmen, all in the gift of the master. Only a few of the tradesmen received regular remuneration from household paymasters. Of these the sergeant skinner made £54 3s 4d by 1782; the yeoman arras worker made 2s per diem; the yeoman tailor and portitor, £24 10s and £26 in livery money. The yeoman arras worker and tailor made £91 each by 1782, when they were described as sinecures. The running porter made £30 per annum (as running porter and messenger, £105 by 1782); the porter £20. The housemaid received £20; by 1782 the post was a sinecure. In addition, the embroiderer received £34 1s, the joiner £8, and the coffer maker £8 10s in livery money.⁷

The great wardrobe was abolished in 1782.⁸ A wardrobes sub-department continued to exist under the lord chamberlain until the early nineteenth century, when it was folded into the office of the robes. Under the new establishment of 1782 the resident clerk of the great wardrobe made £300 per annum in salary, livery, fees and other perquisites. He was assisted by a second clerk until about 1809 and an assistant clerk until 1794 when Henry Browell became resident clerk. In 1836 the messenger to the wardrobe office made £65.⁹

1. Chamberlayne [1707] III, 439-40; for this office, see also *PSBC*, pp. 63-4; Beattie, pp. 50-51, 122-3.

2. Beattie, pp. 191, 210; LC 9/179, f. 5; LC 9/182, f. 5; LC 9/186, ff. 27v, 100v. The master's poundage, computed at the rate of 12 1/2%, had yielded about £2,500 per annum prior to its abolition in 1674: Bucholz, p. 314 n. 57. According to Beattie, p. 191, the master's fees probably continued to yield about £1,000 per annum.

3. Beattie, p. 191; T 52/51, pp. 426-30; LC 9/182, f. 31; LC 9/183, f. 5v; *CCR* [1765], p. 81; Shelburne MSS. 125, p. 369. Early in the period, the deputy master was also entitled to livery worth £30 19s 8d.

4. Beattie, pp. 191, 210. Early in the period the clerk was entitled to livery worth £15 6s 8d.

5. LC 3/24, f. 13; LC 3/4, f. 15; LC 7/1, f. 52v; LC/24, f. 13v.

6. Letters patent 5 Mar. 1668 to Newport (C 66/3101) and Reymes (C 66/3097); *CTBP 1729-30*, p. 305; LC 9/179, f. 5; Shelburne MSS. 125, p. 369.

7. LC 3/3, f. 15; *CCK* (1756), p. 123; Shelburne MSS. 125, pp. 213, 369. According to LC 3/4, f. 22 the sergeant skinner also received £4 5s 4d in livery money under Charles II.

8. 22 Geo. III, c. 82.

9. Shelburne MSS. 125, p. 213; LC 3/72, p. 624.

Master 1660-1782

1660	30 June	Montagu, Sir E.
1671	12 Aug.	Montagu, R.

1685	11 Dec.	Preston, 1st Viscount
1689		Montagu, 3rd Lord
1709	16 Mar.	Montagu, 2nd Duke of
1749	23 Dec.	Robinson, Sir T.
1754	4 Apr.	Barrington, 2nd Viscount
1755	21 Nov.	Robinson, Sir T.
1760	27 Nov.	Gower, 2nd Earl
1763	4 May	Despencer, 14th Lord
1765	23 July	Ashburnham, 2nd Earl of
1775	27 Nov.	Pelham, 2nd Lord

Deputy Master 1660-1782

1660		Townshend, T.
1680		Nott, R.
1685		Robson, T.
1689		Nott, R.
1695		Bland, C.
By 1707		Dummer, T.
1750	Jan.	Robinson, W.
1754	5 Apr.	Barrington, Hon. D.
1756	5 Apr.	Robinson, W.
1760	25 Oct.	Gilbert, T.
1763	May	Whitehead, P.
1765	5 July	Ashburnham, W.

Assistant to the Deputy Master by 1765-1782

By 1765		Lloyd, D.
By 1780		Fallowfield, J.

Clerk 1660-1782

1660	25 June	Rumbold, W.
1667	27 May	Townshend, T.
1706	6 June	Dummer, E.
By 1707		Elrington, J.
1721	7 Dec.	Baynes, J. (joint)
1721	7 Dec.	Dummer, T.L. (joint)
1766	22 Mar.	Metham, Sir G.M.

Under Clerks by 1703-1782

By 1703		Turpin, W.
By 1721		Hutchinson, G.
1721	15 Dec.	Bernard, W.
1724	8 Dec.	Dummer, T., jun.(?reps. Elrington)
By 1745		Chamberlayne, J.
By 1755		Lloyd, D.
By 1780		Fallowfield, J.

Clerk of the Robes and Wardrobes 1660-1782

1660	6 June	Thornton, L.
1680	26 Sept.	Colinge, R. (joint)
1680	26 Sept.	Colinge, H. (joint)
1685	12 Mar.	Gibbons, J.
1689		Colinge, R.
1697	22 June	Flournois, P.
1698	14 July	Coling, W.
1722	18 May	van Huls, W.C.
1726	6 Nov.	Brumpsted, C.
1744	2 July	Ryder, M.
1771	29 June	Colman, E.
1775	4 Nov.	Bartlam, F.
1776	26 Nov.	Whitehouse, E.

Clerk of the Robes and Wardrobes in Reversion (Clerk Assistant) 1677-1680

1677	19 May	Colinge, R. [sen.]
1677	19 May	Colinge, R. [jun.]

Deputy Clerk of the Robes and Wardrobes
1681-1685; 1689-1697; c. 1772-?1780

1681	1 Mar.	Gibbons, J.
1685		?Office vacant
1689	20 Apr.	Gibbons, J.
1697		?Office vacant
By 1772		Lloyd, D.

Clerk Assistant of the Robes and Wardrobes 1670-1680

1670	8 Apr.	Colinge, R.
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Resident Clerk 1782-c. 1809 (after 1794, Clerk of the Wardrobes)

1782 29 Nov. Fallowfield, J.
By 1795 Browell, H.

Second Clerk 1782-c. 1809

1782 Hutchinson, B.

Assistant Clerk 1782-1794

1782 29 Nov. Browell, H.

Comptrolling and Orderly Clerk to the Wardrobe and Jewel Office by 1806-?

By 1806 Hale, J.
1806 22 Jan. Mash, T. B.

Inspector of the Wardrobes 1798-c. 1805

1798 3 Oct. Thomas, J.

Comptroller 1668-1685; 1729-1782

1668 5 Mar. Newport, Hon. A.
1681 17 Nov. Benion, G.
1685 *Office vacant*
1729 10 June Halls, J.
1754 21 May Draper, N.
1763 6 Apr. Gilbert, T.

Surveyor 1667-1685

1667 22 Nov. Reymes, B.
1673 24 Jan. Darcy, Hon. M.

Clerks to the Surveyor by 1682-?

By 1682	Perkins, E.
By 1682	Bland, C.
By 1694	Turpin, W.

Groom 1660-?

[1660]	Forbis, J.
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Storekeeper 1689-1755

1689	6 May	Bland, C.
1704	13 Nov.	Portell, W., sen.
1711	10 Nov.	Elrington, J.

By 1728	Portell, W., [jun.]
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Sergeant Skinner [1689]-1782

By 1687	Nott, R.	
1695	2 July	Pujolas, M.
1707	29 July	Witham, N.
By 1743	Batson, J.	
1752	25 Jan.	Draper, N.
By 1765	Lloyd, D.	
By 1780	Fallowfield, J.	

Yeoman Arras Worker 1660-1782

1660	Sept.	Armill, E. (and Repairer of the King's Tapestry)
1660	Sept.	Sewell, H. (and Repairer of the King's Tapestry)
1664	22 July	Poyntz, F.
1686	2 Apr.	Ayton, T.
1689	27 July	Vanderbank, J., sen.
1717	2 Apr.	Vanderbank, J., jun.
1729	24 June	Ellis, J. (joint)
1729	24 June	Vanderbank, M. (joint)
1742	29 June	Chillingworth, R.
1757	30 Sept.	Saunders, P.
1775	25 Nov.	Read, W.
1777	22 Nov.	Cosham, T.

Yeoman Tailor and Portitior c. 1668-1782

By 1668	Young
1668 22 Dec.	Ferrers, R.
1672 29 June	Magenis, A.
By 1687	Nott, R.
1695 2 July	De Ritt, E.
1706 20 Nov.	Dummer, T.
1715 18 Mar.	West, R.
1715 28 July	Milles, J.
By 1748	Hayes, -
By 1755	Vanbushel, J.
By 1763	Saunders, P.
By 1777	Sewell, J.
By 1778	Cosham, T.

Embroiderer 1697-?; 1718-?

1697 28 Nov.	West, W.
1718 29 Nov.	Hawgood, T.
1744 28 Jan.	Green, F.
1754 27 Feb.	Green, S. [joint]
1754 27 Feb.	Baker, J. [joint]
By 1769	Ingall, M.

Joiner (from c. 1760 Joiner and Chair-maker) to the Great Wardrobe 1678-1782

1678 26 Nov.	Price, R.
1685 18 May	Price, E.
1687 11 Jan.	Roberts, T.
1714 23 June	Roberts, R.
1730 26 Nov.	Williams, H.
By 1760	Naish, C.
By 1776	Russell, J.

Messenger 1671-1782

1671 22 Aug.	Bates, T.
1686 2 Apr.	Banks, J.
By 1691	Bates, T.
1691 22 Apr.	Powell, J.

By 1693	Holmes, W.
1722 26 Mar.	Norbon, J.
By 1745	Port, R.
By 1761	Henney, E.

Messenger to the Wardrobe 1783-1837

By 1783	Parkin, J.
1810 2 June	Nutt, J.F.
1817 9 Jan.	Ferguson, D.J.
1827 8 May	Hitch, C.

[Deputy] Messenger 1818-1837

1818 6 July	Hitch, J.
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Porter by 1676-?1704; by 1728-?1755

By 1676	Gamblin, T.
1676 27 July	French, J.
1676 20 Sept.	Webster, S.
1689 27 July	Bird, E.
By 1693	Pinck, M.

By 1728	Port, R.
By 1745	Spendelow, C.
By 1748	Philopson, B.
By 1755	Lander, W.

Porter of the Wardrobes 1782-?

By 1784	Benton, J.
1804 Nov.	Kirkley, R.
1809 13 Dec.	Thomlinson, J.

Under Porter by 1765-1782

By 1765	Shivers, C.
By 1774	Wilson, J.

Running Porter 1691-1782

1691	9 Oct.	Serjeant, J.
By 1743		Galloway, H.
By 1759		Coke, F.
By 1761		Henney, E.

House-Maid (afterwards Seamstress and House-Maid) by 1728-1782

By 1728		Port, C.
By 1748		Garlick, L.
By 1755		Stephenson, -
By 1756		Montagu, M.
By 1777		Walton, E.

Tents, Toyles, Hales and Pavilions 1660-1702

The tents and toyles consisted of two masters, a clerk, a clerk comptroller, a yeoman of the tents, two yeomen of the toyles and a groom. In 1660, the comptroller, the yeomen and groom held by patent.¹ The master of the tents made £30 per annum, the comptroller £12 3s 4d; the clerk £13 7s 4d; the yeomen £10; the groom £9 2s 6d. In the toyles, the master made £66 13s 4d, the yeomen £36 per annum.²

Most of the subordinate officers in the department were abolished in 1685. The masters' positions were abolished in 1702.

- 1.LC 3/2, f. 24v; LC 3/25, f. 57.
2. LC 3/24, f. 18

Masters 1660-1685; 1689-1702

1660	20 June	Jeffes, T. (joint)
1660	20 June	Jones, T. (joint)
1661	21 June	Bowles, W. (joint)
1661	21 June	Child, R. (joint)
By 1685		Bowles, C. (joint)
By 1685		Spelman, J. (joint)
By 1685		Wright, J. (joint)
1689	1 Nov.	Gorsuch, W.
1699	22 May	Gorsuch, C.

Clerk of the Tents, Pavilions, Masques and Revels 1660-?1685

1660 11 Aug. Greene, J.

Clerk Comptroller of the Tents, Pavilions, Hales, Playes, Revels and Masques 1660-1685

[1660] June Loyd, J.
1674 14 Feb. Fleetwood, A.
1677 21 May Francis, T.
1678 8 Mar. Symes, L.

Yeomen of the Tents 1660-?

1660 25 June Bowles, R.
1660 30 Nov. Bowles, F.

Yeomen of the Toyles 1663-1685

1663 6 Nov. Davyes, T.
1663 6 Nov. Slater, R.
1667 10 Jan. Gunn, W.
1673 23 Aug. Wilcox, P.
1677 24 Mar. Hoard, T.

Groom of the Tents, Hales and Pavilions 1660-1685

1660 June Bowles, Sir W.
1673 23 Aug. Lawrence, C.