

and true, of hainous and horrible ac-
tes committed by Elizabeth Stile,
Alias Rockingham, Mother Dutten, Mo-
ther Deuell, Mother Margaret, Fower noto-
rious Witches, apprehended at winsore in the
Countie of Barkl. and at Abbing-
ton arraigned, condemned, and
executed, on the 26. daye
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And firste concerning those persones that
practice the damnable arte of *Witcheecraft*,
Sorcerie, or *Inchauntement* of her owne cer-
taine knowledge, and voluntarie motion, she
uttered to this effect ensuyng.



In Primis that one father
Rosimonde, dwelling in
Farneham Parithe, be-
yng a widower, and also
a daughter of his, are both
Witches or *Inchanters*,
which *Rosimond* she saith
hath and can transforme hymself by *Duelishe*
meanes, into the shape and likenesse of any
beaste whatsoever he will.



2 Item, that one *Mother Dutton* dwelling
A. v. within

within one Hoskins in Cleworthe Parithe,
 can telle every ones message, as lone as she seeth
 them approche nere to the place of hir abroade,
 and further, she keepeth a Spirite or Feende
 in the likenesse of a Toade, and feedeth the same
 Feende liyng in a border of greene Hearbes,
 within her Garden, with blood whiche she cau-
 leth to issue from her owne flaucke.



3 Item, that one Mother Denell, dwelling
 nigh the Honde in Windesore aforesaid, bee-
 yng a verie poore woman, hath a Spirite in the
 shape of a Blacke Catte, and calleth it Gille,
 whereby she is aided in her Witchcrafte, and
 she dailey feedeth it with Milke, mingled with
 her owne blood.

4 Item

4 Item, that one Mother Margaret dwell-
 yng in the Almes house at Windesore, goeth
 with twoo Crouches, dooth feede a Kittlyng
 or Feende by her named Simie, with crum-
 mes of bread and her owne blood.

5 Item, the saied Elizabeth Stile, alias
 Rockyngham, of her self confesseth that she the
 same Elizabeth, untill the tyme of her appre-
 hension, kepte a Ratte, beeyng in very deede a



wicked Spirite, nampng it Phillip, and that
 she feede the same Ratte with bloode, issuyng
 from her right handwrest, the markes where-
 of evidently remaine, and also that she gaue her
 right side to the Deuill, and so did the residue
 of the Witches befoze named.

And

¶ And thus far for the touching the persons
afore mentioned in generall, now resteth her
declaration of their detestable driftes, and
deuises in particuler.

6 Furthermore, she confelleth that when she
was apprehended, Mother Margaret came to
her and gaue her money, charging her in any
wise not to detecte their secretes, whiche if she
this prisoner did, the saied Mother Margarete
threatened that she should be hardly entreated.

7 And moreouer, she saieyth that Father Ro-
simon, with his daughter, mother Dutton, mo-
ther Deuell, Mother Margaret, and her self
thesaid Elizabeth Rockingham, did accustom
to meete within the backside of Maister Dod-
ges in the Pittes there, and did in that place
conclude vpon hainous, and vilanous practises,
suche as by them, or any of them before had bin
deuised, or determined.

8 Also she saieyth, and confelleth that they all
purposed and agreed, by their Sorceries, and
Inchauntementes, to dispatche priuillie the
Lanckforde a Fermour, dwelling in Wiltde-
foze by the Thames side, and that they murde-
red

red hpm accordynghe.

9 They also by their deuillish arte, killed one
Maister Gallis, who in times paste, had been
Maioz of Wiltdefoze.

10 The like they practized againste one of
thesaid Lanckfordes maides, whom by the
mischancous meanes aboue expressed they be-
rest of life.

11 Likewise a Butcher named Switcher,
escaped not their treacherie, but was by their
Witchcraft brought to his graue.

12 Another Butcher named Mastlyn, was
by them handeled in suche sorte, that he consu-
med awaie.

13 The maner of their Inchauntemente,
whereby fower of the persons afore named
were murdered was thus: Mother Dutton
made fower pictures of Redde Ware, about a
spanne long, and three or fower fingers broade
for Lanckforde, for his Waide, for Maister
Gallis, and for Switcher, and the saied Mo-
ther Dutton, by their counsaile and consente,
did

do sticke an Hawthorne picke, aga inst the left
sides of the breastes of the Images, directly
there where thei thought the hartes of the per-
sones to bee sette, whom the same pictures do
represente, and thereupon within thoste space,
the saied sower persones, beeyng sodainely ta-
ken, died.

14 As for Dafflyn the fiste man, she confes-
seth that he was bewitched, but howe or whe-
ther he dyed or no she vttereth not.

15 Further the same Elizabeth saith, that
her self did kill one Saddocke with a clappe on
the shoulder, for not keepyng his promise for
an old Cloke, to make her a Saffegarde, who
presently wente home and died.

16 Further she saith, that she and euery of
them, did ouer speake one Humfrey Hobbe and
his wife, and one Richard Dilles, and one
Thom Dathpyngtyle, that thei laye sicke in a
straunge order a long tyme, but thei were reco-
uered againe.

17 Further she saith, that mother Deuell
did ouer speake one William Foster a Fi-
ther,

ther, and one Willies wife a Baker.

18 Further she saith, that mother Dutton
did giue one picture, but she knoweth not whe-
ther it was of a manne, or of a woman, and the
man that had it of her, she thinketh to be deade,
but she knoweth not his name.

19 Further she saith, that one George
Whittynge, seruante to Matthewe Glouer of
Caton, had one picture of her self for one Fos-
ter, for that the saied George and Foster fell
out at variaunce, and the picture was made in
mother Dottens house, and that mother Dut-
ten, Mother Deuell, and her self were at the
making, and that Mother Deuell did saie too
her Bunne, or cull Spittle, Plague hym, and
spare hym not, and she did thruste a Hawthorne
picke against the harte of hym, and so he laye
at the point of death a long tyme, but Mother
Dutton recovered hym againe.

20 And in the ende, thei killed a Cowe of his
by their Witchcrafte.

21 And further she saith, that thei and euery
of them, if any had angred them, thei would go
to

to their Spirites and saie, suche a one hath au-
gred me, goe dooe them this mischief, and for
their hire, would giue them a droppe of their
owne blood, and presently the partie was pla-
gued by some lamentable casualtie.

22 Elizabeth Stile also confelleth, that she
her self hath gone to old Windsor, to the bedde
makers there, to begge a messe of Milke,
whiche she could not haue, for that the maide
was then Milkyng, but her Ratte had prou-
ded for her bothe Milke and Creame, agaiuste
her comyng home.

23 Elizabeth Stile touched with more re-
morse saieyth, that Mother Dutton, & Mother
Deuell, were her firste intisers to follie, and
that she and euery of them, did meete sometymes
in maister Dodges Wittes, and soueraine
aboute a leuen of the Clocke in the night at the
Pounde, and that Mother Dutton, and Mo-
ther Deuell did perswade her, to dooe as they
had doen, in forsakynge God and his woorkes,
and giuyng her self to the Deuill.

24 Elizabeth Stile confelleth, her self often-
tymes to haue gon to ffather Rosimond house
where

where she founde hym sittynge in a Wood, not
farre from thence, vnder the bodie of a Tree,
sometymes in the shape of an Ape, and other-
whyles like an Horse. She also confelleth her
self to haue tourned a childes haude in Winde-
for cleane backwardes, whiche was retourned
to the right place by Mother Dutton.

25 Further she saieyth, that she will stande
vnto her death, to all and euery Article before
rehearsed: and that father Rosimond can trans-
fornie hym self into the likenesse of an Ape, or a
Horse, and that he can helpe any manne to be-
witched to his health againe, as well as to be-
witche.

26 Further she saieyth, that mother Seidre
dwelling in the Almes house, was the maistres
Witche of all the reste, and she is now deade.

