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Act of the Gild Court, anent the Elnwand.

Edinburgh, March 19. 1701.

THe Dean of Gild and his Council considering, That it reasonable that all Merchants and Shop-keepers within this City should make use of one uniform Measure, conform to the Act of Parliament made thereanent. It is therefore *Statute and Ordained*, That all Merchants and Shop-keepers within this City shall make use of the *Scots Elnwand* allennarly, and that they bring their Elnwands to the Laigh Council House, betwixt and the Fifteen Day of *April* next to come, to the end they may be Marked with the Dean of Gild's Mark, where they shall be attended by two Members of the Dean of Gild Court for that effect, each *Wednesday* and *Friday*, betwixt 2 and 4 Afternoon; Certifying each peason who contraveens this present Act, that they shall be lyable in payment of the Sum of Ten Ponnys *Scots* to the Dean of Gild. And hereby Prohibites and Discharges all Merchants & Shop-keepers and others within this City to use the *English Yard*, or any other Measure whatsom-ever, but the Elnwand aforesaid in measuring of Cloath and others for Sale swa marked by the Dean of Gild, under the Penalty aforesaid. And to the end that none may pretend Ignorance hereof, appoints these Presents to be Printed and Published by Tuck of Drum. Extracted furth of the new Locked Gild-Book, by
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Act of the Gild Court, against Unfree Traders and others.

Edinburgh, March 19. 1701.

THe Dean of Gild and his Council, Considering the Prejudice Freemen Burgeses of this City suffer, by reason that several Persons within this City, who are neither Burgeses, nor Children of Burgeses, nor have any particular Liberty, keep Shops great or small, Cellars or others for selling of Ware or Drink; And sicklike, That several Burgeses of this City, contrary to the Acts of Parliament, Acts of the Royal Burrows, and of this Burgh, keep Two or Three Shops or Cellars at once: Do therefore expressly *Prohibite* all such unfree Persons, after the Term of *Whitsunday* next, to keep any such Shops or Cellars; with Certification, their Shops and others shall be shut up, and they Amerciat at the Discretion of the Dean of Gild and his Council; As also, That no Burgeses keep moe Shops or Cellars than one, after the said Term, under the like Certification: But prejudice to the Prosecuting of the Burgeses who keep moe Cellars or Shops, or unfree Traders in any sort, either before or after the said Term of *Whitsunday* as accords. And appoints these Presents to be Printed and Published by Tuck of Drum, that none may pretend Ingnorance. Extracted furth of the new Locked Gild-Book, by
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