

to deliver bucks to the Lord High Treasurer, and to the warding of several City companies.

There is also at Loseley a warrant, signed by Queen Mary, ordering the worthy steward to send to "our right entirely beloved cousin" Cardinal Pole "one buck of the season, to be taken of our gifte from our greate parke of Nonesuch," and also allowing the cardinal to have a day's hunting, if he should be so minded. It does not, however, appear that the worthy cardinal ever availed himself of the queen's last name and offer. Mons. de Noailles, the French ambassador at the Court, was less scrupulous, for he not only hunted there, but killed some deer—two more than the queen's warrant allowed him; for which error he had to make an apology, and to request that the keepers of the park should not incur the royal displeasure.

It appears that Sir Thomas Cawarden was not easily induced to give up his pleasant quarters at Nonsuch, even to the queen's lord steward, and that his servants and those of her Highness came more than once to blows in the park on the question as to whether the nuts and apples should belong to the outgoing or to the incoming tenant. All these disputes are most amusingly illustrated by the manuscript collections at Loseley.

Nonsuch Palace was left unfinished by Henry when he quitted this world, and his daughter Mary intended to pull it down "to save further charges;" but the Earl of Arundell, "for the love

and honour that he bore to his old master," as stated above, purchased the place, and finished it according to the original design.

In August, 1559, the earl received Queen Elizabeth here on one of her "Progresses." It is needless to say that he played the host magnificently. On the Sunday the entertainments included a banquet, a masque, and a concert; next day the queen witnessed a course or chase from a raised stand in the park, and the children of St. Paul's performed a play; and this was followed by a costly banquet, served upon gilt dishes. On her Majesty's departure, her noble host presented her with a cupboard of plate. It is hardly to be supposed that all this generosity was the expression of mere loyalty and gratitude for past favours; it was rather a lively hope of favour to come that dictated the outlay.



LADY CASTLEMAINE.

"He looked, in fact," writes Miss Aikin, "to a high and splendid recompense: one which, as yet perhaps, he dared not name, but which the sagacity of his royal mistress would, as he flattered himself, be neither tardy nor reluctant to divine."

The entertainment, which extended over five days, is thus described in the Cottonian Manuscripts:—*

"The v. day of August, 1559, the Queen grace removyd from Eltham unto Nonsyche, my Lord of Arundell's, and ther her grace had as gret cher.

* Quoted by Mr. J. G. Nichols, in the *Gentleman's Magazine*, 1837.