**564.** " Upon reading the Ordinances of his Highness the Lord Protector and his Council, bearing date 2nd Septèmber last,[1] appointing us to set out to the Committee for clearing of claims and distribution of lands among Adventurers so many acres of meadow, arable land and profitable pasture, Irish measure, as doth amount unto £2621, at the value of those lands in 1640, in such place or places within the ten counties, not being by Act, Ordinance, or Order of Parliament set out, allotted or granted to Adventurers, soldiers or others, or, in the want of land there, in the County of Louth, and, in want of land there, in any other part of Ireland as we should think fit, forasmuch as we find not ourselves empowered to dispose of Bishops' or Deans' and Chapters' lands or lands late belonging to the Crown, and for that all other forfeited lands as well in the said counties as others stand pre-engaged to Adventurers, soldiers and others by Acts of Parliament, or are otherwise set apart by his Highness' orders and not in our dispose, and for that we have some cause to believe that those eleven counties will not satisfy the soldiers and Adventurers allotted thereon, and for that we are not empowered by that Ordinance to set out lands to that Committee in the first place, we do declare our opinions that the said Committee are to expect till it appear that the distributions now making to Adventurers and soldiers do leave some remnant of land in our dispose, that may satisfy this as well as other public debts." 24 Nov. Orders A/5. 5. f. 43.

**565.** Ordered that Capt. Samuel Playford be recommended to Thomas Hooke, mayor of Dublin, to be employed in inquiring into disorders in the city, and in particular after such as engross coin, use false weights or measures, frustrate markets and exact for portage; as also to inquire after such inn-keepers, taverners and alehouse-keepers as sell drink at undue times and keep disorderly houses contrary to law, and after swearers, drunkards, blasphemers, Sabbath-breakers, adulterers, and such like misdemeanours, dishonourable to God and destructive to civil society and government. 28 Nov. *Ib.* f. 42.

**566.** Ordered that the agents for the Irish party, that sub-

[1] No. 531.