speedy course be taken for disposing of them where his Highness may conceive most convenient. This continuance of so great a number for so long a time hath so much exceeded the Council's expectation and hopes that they have commanded me to present thus much unto your Lordship, withal desiring that you would have equal resentments with themselves concerning it, and be pleased to quicken such orders as may be held fit for lessening this charge, and, by a seasonable disposure of the said Irish, give you the greater encouragement to advance the truth they so earnestly desire to prosecute, so far forth as may be found consistent with public good." 7 May. Letters of Lord Deputy and Council A/30. 28. f. 159.

827. Resolves of His Highness the Lord Protector's Council for the affairs of Ireland in order to the satisfying the arrears due to the Army, delivered to Sir H. Waller.

" 1. That all the forfeited lands within the three provinces, liable to the satisfaction of the arrears due to the army (excepting the three counties of Wicklow, Longford and Donegal) be distributed and set out to the officers and soldiers of the army, to satisfy all arrears due unto them for service in Ireland since 6th June 1649, and also for their English arrears due before the said 6th June 1649, according to the Acts and Ordinances of Parliament, or of his Highness the Lord Protector and Council made in that behalf.

" 2. That all the forfeited lands as aforesaid in each county and barony, within all the said provinces, already admeasured by Dr Petty, be accepted of by the army according to the contents of the surveys returned by the said Doctor.

" 3. That Trustees be named by the army, who shall be empowered and authorised from this Board, to distribute and set forth the said forfeited lands (liable as aforesaid to satisfy the arrears of the army) unto the officers and soldiers in the three provinces aforesaid, answerable to their respective arrears.

" 4. That the said Trustees shall take care and make effectual provision that due satisfaction be had and made for all just reprisals that are, or shall be adjudged and ordered by the

Council or Courts of Justice, or such Commissioners as by the said Council are or shall be authorised.

" 5. That the said Trustees do likewise take effectual care and make provision that a due and equal satisfaction be given to the officers and soldiers disbanded in 1653, according to the promise and agreement made with them by the General Council of the army." 9 May. Orders A/10. 10. f. 77.

828. " Ordered that the Master of the Rolls, Attorney-General, Auditors-General and Surveyor-General do meet and consider of a form for such particulars of lands, to be presented this Board, as shall be conceived fit to pass patents for the same under the Broad Seal, consideration being had to the Acts and Ordinances, pursuant to which the grants of the said lands are to pass." 9 May. *Ib.* f. 80.

829. " The Council having considered of the paper presented unto this Board from several principal officers of the army, dated 9th May inst., and signed by Sir H. Waller, in the name and by the appointment of the said officers, appearing thereby that the several heads of the late Resolves of the Council, concerning the satisfaction of the arrears of the army, was that day debated, and being put to the question, was gratefully accepted of by the said officers with this addition, viz. ' That the security allowed by his Highness' Ordinance of 23rd June 1654 (entituled—An Ordinance for the further encouragement of the Adventurers and Soldiers in Ireland) be added to the first paragraph' ; taking likewise into due consideration the Resolve of the said Committee of officers, dated 12th May inst., wherein it is proposed that Col. Abbot, Col. Sadler, and Major Morgan with Vincent Gookin Esq., Dr W. Petty, and Major Miles Symner (being by the said officers proposed as fit persons) to be Trustees for prosecuting of the business mentioned in the said Resolves of the Council and that three or more of them be a quorum, ordered that the desires of the officers above-mentioned be agreed with." 14 May. *Ib.* f. 83.[1]

830. Ordered that the sheriffs in the respective counties do

[1] The above documents, 827-829, provided a basis for the general order of 20 May, printed in Petty's *History of the Down Survey*, pp. 85-87.