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[Endorsement by Herle:] The confession of Anastro the Cassier to Aniastri

Letter text:

[fol. 166r] The confessyon of Anthonye a spanyard Cassyer to G. Aniastri./

This examynate sayth, that the practys to murther the prince of Orenge began viij monethes paste, betwene k. Phillip & a secretorye of his called Peter Alhonzo borne in Biscay, who brought his father John Alhonzo by lres to Luxborne to confferr therof with the K. which confferrence proceded so far as John de Alhonzo undertooke to provyde an ynstrument to execute the K. wyll on that behalf upon the condicyons proponed that the partye sholld have 80 m. [crowns] in redie money A Comenda, an office, & have lik[...] of honor. Gasper Aniastri was dellt with herein by Alhonzo the father, & browght to accept the executyon in his own person, but finding his corayge (when he had better examyned the matter) weke signeffyed that he was unhable, yet colld finde a person to supply his place, so the former condicions were observed, which the K. rateffyed. willeng that he sholld compounde with his partie at what price he might best, for so the acte were don, he wolld bestow upon Aniastri the medyator therof the whole of his promys, to dispose att his pleasure. Aniastri brake herein with this examynate Anthonio his Cassyer, to take upon him the enterprise, who verey willeng but unable, advised that John or Juan Jawreguy, the booke keper of the sayd Aniastri, & a Biscayn borne sholld be perswaded in the cause, & then he dowtted not of his corayge & resolution to perform that which was required./ which motyon was found good & succeded as is now apparent. The said John was promised grett somes of money & favors by Aniastri att the K. hand. and induced further to beleve that they wolld not execute him upon the facte [marginalia by Herle: though he were taken] but reserve him prisoner for a tyme, to learne more, & therfore Aniastri wollde departe inposte beffore the enterpriseng hereof v. or vj dayes to acquaynt the p: of Parma in the K. name with the matter, that he might be redye with his armye to approche the Cyttye of Andwerpe, & in his companye dellanow of whom he sholld make offer by a trompettor to deliver him in lyew of the sayd Juan for so was ytt the K. plesure, which yf they reffused: bothe the sayd Lanow sholld dye for ytt & the p: of Orenges son ^likewise^ that is in Spayne with all other prisoners that the sayd p: of Parma hathe in his custodye, In conffydens wherof this Juan proceeded so resolutely as he dyd & had the yssew & rewarde that was sene on sondaye last./

The king of Spayne is offended with ij things concernyng the prince yrreconsiliablye, the Apollogye & Monsieurs callyng yn./