by dippinge of their gaudie ringes in your graces blood, wherefore it were verie unmeete for us to give any suche allowance

L: of Scotts

My Lordes (saide she) yfe that bee all the doubt I will give my words (altheuge I bee but a dead) that they shall not deserve to bee blamed in any of the actions wth y^ou here named, but alas poore soules (saide she) it woulde doe them good to bidde their M^ris farewell. And I pray (saide she) further to the Earle of Kent, ye M^ris beinge a mayden Queene, w^ill yet in regarde of Womanhoode vouchsafe that I shall gave some of my people about me at my deathe. And furthermore I knowe (saide she) her Matie hath not given any suche strickt Comission but that y^ou might graunt me my request and fare more then this yfe I were a woman of farre meaner callinge then Queene of Scotte. And then ceasinge that shee could not obtaine her request w^thout some difficultie, of meere griefe shee burst out into teares, sayinge, y^ou knowe that I am born to ye Queene, and descended from the blood royall of Kinge Henrie the seaventh and gave

and gave bide a married Queene of France and an anoynted Queene of Scotlande.

Her requests graunted

Wherupon upon greate consultation geaden betweene the two Earles and other in Comission it was yeilded that she shoulde gave some of her servants accordinge to her earnest request, and therewithall did desire her to make choyce of six of her best beloved men and women. And then of her men servants shee chose Melvin, her Apothecarie, her physitian and one other olde man besides, and of her women shee chose two that did lye in her chamber. After this the saide Queene beinge supported by the saide two gentlemen, and Melvin her man carriedge upp her traine, and beinge accompanied wth the Lordes knightes and gentle above named, and the Executioner goeinge before her, passed out of the entrie into the hall wth a certaine and unappalled countenance, importinge rather mirthe then mourninge, w^thout any terror of the place or personages, or the preparation then and there made for her death; shee stepped wth Esilence up to the scaffold, beinge six foote in height, and twelve foote broade, wth rayles round about it, hanged and covered wth black