

## The third set of interrogatories 1594

### Third set of Interrogatories to be put to Mr. Sheldon 1594

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1. Whether he heard of a letter sent, 1592, from Cardinal Allen to his afflicted children in England; and in whose hands he hath seen, or by whose report he hath understood of, the same letter, and what were the contents thereof.
2. What he hath heard of any dispensation or indulgence from Rome for Catholics to come to church, or of any counsel or direction given to priests from thence to absolve such as shall come to church with gentleness, and without having regard how oft they relapse, but toties quoties, or of any opinion from the learned of the lawfulness or unlawfulness thereof.
3. In what message or employment of trust he did use Clethro at his first going over; and what letter, and of what contents, was brought unto him from Clethro by the messenger that came with the token of the King of Armies.
4. What moved him to nominate Clethro as an instrument to deal in a peace, considering he had discontinued by his own saying his acquaintance for six or seven years and knew him also at the time to be "preisted."
5. How long he had discharged Edward Williams before his going over.
6. What letter or message he received out of Ireland from the same Edward Williams.
7. What reckoning or controversies had passed between the same Williams and him, and how they parted; and at what time he heard last from him before his going.
8. What maintenance or relief he hath given since his going over to the same Edward Williams, or to his wife and children on this side.
9. How long it was since he spake with the said Williams before his going over, and what speech passed between them.
10. Whether Williams before his going over did not at any time make him privy of a purpose he had to go beyond the seas and into what parts.
11. To whom he let the lands and house he had of Williams, and for what rent.
12. What motion or question he hath made by letter or message to any beyond the seas, or to any that is since gone beyond the seas, touching the treaty of a peace between Spain and England.
13. What conference he hath had to the same effect with any on this side besides these he named to the Lord Cobham.

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