

**Examination of William Elsey by Nathaniel Bacon, 1612/1613 February 25:
manuscript signed with Elsey's mark, Papers of the Bacon-Townshend family
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The exam of willim̄ Elsey taken before S^r
Nathanuel Bacon knight the ~~xxth~~ xxxth
of ffebruarie 1612

He sayth that vpon Shrovetmondaie about nyne or ten of the clock
in the fore noone, he came to holte, and went into Iohn Downing{es}
house wher he founde him and his wife readie^{about} to goe to di meate,
and they willed him to sit downe and eate wth them. And
ther was brought out a goose that was roasted, and cut vp,
and set vpon the boarde, and th~~w~~ w^{ch} was eaten by them
by Downinge ~~an~~ and his wife, his two daughters and this
Exam^t.

He sayth that he did se the garbidge of a goose w^{ch} was then
boyled, standing vpon a boarde by

The marke of {mark} Iohn willim̄ Elsey

downinge did deney that ther was anie goose eaten in his house
vpon shrove mondaie.
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Elsies Exam against
Downing{es}