

being subiecte vnto you, if there be whych haue strayed from the Catholique faith by such errors, may be brought home againe, to the laud and honour of his name that was crucified, and preferuation of the true faith. And further our will is, that whatsoever you shall do, in the premises in maner & forme of our proccesse in this behalte, to be had and done: that you for your parte, when you shall be required thereunto, plainly & distinctly do certifie vs by your letters patents, hauing the tenour hereof.

The conclusions and articles here mentioned in this letter, are aboue prefixed. Of which some were condemned for hereticall, some for erroneous.

After this, within fewe daies the foresayd Archbysop w. Courtney, directed down his letters of admonition to Robert Rigge commissary of Oxford, for the repressing of this doctrine. Whych yet notwithstanding both then, and yet to this day (God be praised) doth remaine. The copie of his monition to the Commissary here out of his owne Register, foloweth.

¶ The monition of the Archbysop, vnto the foresayd Chauncellour.

IN Dei nomine Amen. Where as we William by the permission of God Archbysop of Canterbury Lorde Primate of England and Legate of the Apostolicall see, by the consent of our suffraganes, haue caused to be assembled together diuers clerkes both secular and regular of the vniuersitie of Oxford, within our prouince of Canterbury and other Catholicke persons to informe vs of, and vpon certaine conclusions hereticall and erroneous generally and commonly preached and published in diuers places of the sayd prouince of Canterbury to the subuersion of the whole state of the Church, and our sayd prouince: And also mature deliberation had vpon the same: by the common counsaile of the said our suffraganes & their conuocates, it was declared, that certain of the sayde conclusions, to haue bene and be condemned, some for hereticall, and some for erroneous, and notoriously repugnant to the determinatio of the church, which we also our selues haue declared to be damnable: And haue vnderstode by credible information, and partly by experience that thou Robert Rigge, Chancellor of the vniuersity aforesaid, hast & doest incline partly to the foresaid damnable conclusions, whome also we in this part haue partly suspected, doest intend to molest these our Clerkes aboue specified, & others adhering vnto vs in this behalf, as they ought to do: through thy subtil and sophistical imaginatons, sondry & manifold wayes, therefore we admonish thee M. Robert Chauncellour aforesaid, the first, second, and third time, and peremptorily: that thou doest not greue, let, or molest, judicially, or extrajudicially, apertly or priuely, or cause to be greued, let and molested, or procure directly or indirectly, by thy selfe, or any other, as much as in thee lieth to be greued, the foresayd Clerkes secular, or regular, or such as fauor them in the premises, in their scholasticall acts, or in any other condition whatsoever. And that thou suffer none hereafter to teach, maintaine, preach, or defend any such heresies, or errors in the sayde Vniuersitie, either within or wythout the scholes: Neither that thou do admitt I. Wickliffe, Nicholas Hereford, Philip Repindon, Iohn Aylston, or Laurence Bedman, which are vehemently and notoriously suspected of heresie, or any other, so suspected or defamed, vnto that office of preaching. But that thou denounce the sayd persons to be suspended, whom we haue suspended from all scholasticall act, whilist they cleare their innocencie in this part before vs, vnder the paine of the greater curse, which we here in these wrytings denounce against thy person, if thou shalt not obey those our admonitions, with effect, as thy crime, subteltie and offence in this behalte shall require according to this our admonition premissid, which we repute in this parte for canonical, as well then as now, and now as well as then, referring the absolution of this sentence excommunicatorie, if it happen to light vpon thee, as (God forbid) specially vnto our selues. Testified with the handes of the Iurers, aboue in the page 410. before specified.

¶ The examination of Nicholas Hereford, Philip Repingdon, and Iohn Aylston.

The 18. day of the month and yere aforesaid in the chamber of the preaching Friers aforesaid, before the foresayde Archb. in the presence of diuers Doctours and Bachelers of Diuinitie, and many Lawyers both Canon and Ciuil, whose names are vnder wryten: appeared M. Rich. Hereford, Ioh. Repingdon, & Iohn Aylston Bachelers of Diuinitie, who after a corporal oath taken to shew their iudgements vpon the conclusions aforesaid, were examined severally eache one by himselfe, before the Archb. who there required day and place to deliberate vpon the conclusions aforesaid, and to geue their answer vnto the same in wryting. And also required to haue a copie of the

sayde conclusions to be deliuered vnto them. The which copie, the sayd Nicholas & Ioh. (being openly read vnto them) receiued. Also the foresayd M. Iohn Aylston likewise was examined, and iudicially admonished by the said Archbysop by vertue of his othe, that hee setting aside all sophisticall wordes & subtelties, he fully and plainly would say his munde vpon the conclusions aforesaid. And being asked moreouer by the said Archbysop whether he would haue a further day to deliberate vpon his answers, as the foresayd Nicholas and Ioh. had before: said expressly that he would not, but would answer presently to those conclusions. And so for small answer sayde, as concerning all these conclusions (containing them all together) that his iudgement was in this behalt to hold his peace. Wherefore the foresayd Archbysop reputeing the laide Iohn hereunto to be suspected, admonished him in toyn of wordes as foloweth: we admonish thee Iohn Aylston, whome we repute to be defamed, & notoriously suspected of heresie, the first, the second, and third time: that in our prouince of Canterbury hereafter, thou do not preach publickely or priuately about our speciall licence, vnder paine of the greater curse, which we denounce here by these presents against thy person, if thou obey not our monitions, for now as for then. And consequently, for as much as the sayd Iohn being asked of the Archb. confessed that hee had heard before of the publication of the Archbysops Mandate, wherein was intimated y no person prohibited or not sent, should preach hereafter: the foresayde Archb. assigned to him Friday next following, which was the 20. day of the same month, after dinner to appeare before hym, either at Lambeth, or in the same place: to say for himselfe, wherefore he myght not be pronounced for an hereticke, & for such a one to be denounced through his whole prouince. Also the said Archbysop assigned to the foresayd Nicholas and Ioh. the saide day & place to answer peremptorily, and to say fully & plainly to the conclusions aforesaid, all sophistication of wordes and disputation set a part.

¶ The names of the Friers that sate vpon them.

- Friers preachers 7.
- Whom. Barwel, William Gwynberd, William Hicworth, Tho. Whatley, Laurence Grenham, Iohn Leigh, Iohn Bakcy.
- Carmelites 3.
- Walter Dill, Iohn Kunningham, Iohn Louey.
- Augulline Frier.
- Thomas Aghorne Doctour.

In the 20. day aforesaid of the said month of June, the yere and place aboue prefixed, before the foresayde Archbysop, sitting in his tribunall seat, in the presence of diuers Doctours of Diuinitie, and lawyers, both Ciuil and Canon personally appeared M. Nicholas Hereford, & Ioh. Philip Repindon, Bachelers of Diuinitie, and Iohn Aylston master of Arte, where the foresaid Nicholas and Ioh. being required by the sayd Archb. to answer and say fully and plainly their iudgements vpon the conclusions premissid, whereunto the sayde Archbysop had assigned to the sayd Nicholas and Ioh. the same terme: did exhibite to the sayd Archbysop there iudicially sitting, certaine answeres in wryting contained, after the maner of indenture, the tenour whereof here vnder is contained, and after the same forme answered to the sayd conclusions. The tenour of which Indenture containing the foresaid conclusions vnto them moued as afoze, foloweth in these wordes.

¶ The protestation of Nicholas, Phillip, and Iohn, with their Articles and answers to the same.

WE protest here as before, publickly in these presents: that we intend to be humble and faithful children to the church and holy scripture, and to obey in all things the determinations of the Church. And if it shall chaunce vs at any time which god forbid, to swarue from this our intention, we submit our selues humbly to the correction of our reuerend father Lorde Archbysop of Cant. and primate of all England: and of all othe, which haue interest to correct such swaruers. This protestatio premissid, thus we answered to the conclusions aforesaid.

That the substance of material bread and wine, remaineth in the Sacrament of the auster after consecration. After the like contrary to the Decretall, beginning Firmiter credimus, we graunt that it is heresie.

M. Iohn Aylston examined.

The answer of Iohn Aylston.

M. Aylston monished again to appeare.

xx. of June.

Hereford & Repington appear.

The protestation of Hereford, and Aylston exhibited to the Archb.

An other letter of the Archb. to the Commissary of Oxford.