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Articles against K.Henry.4.

Preposterous zeale without knowledge. be disgraded, that how the same cause really disgraded him fro al pierogative a privilege of y clergie, decreing to leave hun buto the fecular power: and hath really so lest him, ac= cording to plawes a canonicall functions let forth in this behalfe, and also that our holy mother the Church hath no further to do in the premises. We therfore being zelous in religion, and renevent loners of y each olike fayth, willing and murding to mainteine & defend the holy church, & the lawes & liberties of the lame, to rote al fuch errours & be-refies out of our kingdome of Englad, & with codigne pusuffymet to correct & punify all heretiques or fuch as be co= nict: Provided alwaies, that both according to the lawe of Bod & mā, and p canonical institutions in this behalfe, ac= customed, that such hereticks connict & condened in forme aforefaid, ought to be burned with fire. we command you as firaigily as we may or can, firmely enjoyning you, that you do caute the tato willia being in your cuftody, in some publike or opë place within y liberties of your citie afore= laid (the cause assistant being published but othe people) to be put into the fire, and there in the same five really to be burned, to the great horrour of his offence, and the manifelt example of other Christians. Faile not in the execution hereof, upon the perill that will fall thereupon, Teste rege, apud Westmonast. 26. Februar. an. regni sui.

The burning of William Sawtre.



Admonition to Princes.

K Henry the first of English Christians with

kinges that tormented the

Much murder & beheading in K. Henryes time the 4.

A hus it may appeare now kinges and princes have bin blunded and abused by the false piclates of the Church, in fo much that they have bene their flaves and burchers, to flay Christes pore unocent members. See therefore what banger it is for Princes, not to have knowledge and on-berflanding themselves, but to be led by other menseles, & specially trusting to such guides, who through theoretic both deceine them, & through crucitie denour the people.

As king Benry the fourth who was the depoler of king inichard, was the first of all English kings that began the vinnercifull burning of Chailtes saints, for standing a-gainst the Pope: so was this william Sawtre the true and saithfull marry of Chailt, the surflosall them in wichliffes time, which I find to be burned in praigne of the forelaid king, which was in the yeare of our Lord. 1400.

After the martyrdome of this godly man, the rest of the fame company began to keepe theinfelues more closely, for feare of the king, who was altogether bent to hold with the Popes piclacy. Such was the raigne of this Prince, that to the godly he was encr terrible, in his actions immelurable, to few men harrely beloved, but Princes never lacke flatterers about them. Petither was the time of his raigue very quiet, but full of trouble, of bloud, and milery. Such was their delive of B. Richard againe, in the raigne of this king, that many yeares after he was rumozed to be alive (of them which desired belike that to be true, which they knew to be falle) for the which, diners were executed. For the space of live or buryeares together, almost no yeare palled without fome conspiracy against the king. Long it were here to recite the blond of all such Robles and other,

which was fuilt in the raigne of this king, as the Earle of *Rent, Carle of Salifbury, Carle of Buntington, named John Holland. &c. as writch the flory of S. Albans. But the English writers differ something in their names, and make mention of 4. Earles of Surrey of Exceller, of Salibury, and Lord Spenser Earle of Bloucester, Ex Lib.cui tit.Calendarium Bruti.

Ex calenda. rio Bruti.

* It is to be

doubted.

And the next years following, Sy: Ihon Clarendon knight, with two of his servauntes, the Prions of Laund, with s.friers, were hanged and quartered. And after thele Henry Percy the younger, the Earle of Worceller, named Thomas Percy his vaile, Lord of Kinderton, and L. Richard de Acrnoua. The Earle of Posthumberland scarce escaped with his pardon an. 1403. In the which yeare, the pation in Loundill called the tonne, was turned into the conduit, there now standing.

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To let palle other moe hanged and quartered the fame time, as Blount knight, & Benet Rely knight, and Tho-mas winterfel Efquier. Also the same years was taken and executed fir Bernard Brokes knight, fir John Shils ley knight, Syr John Mandelyn, and william Frierby. After all thefe L. Benry Earle of Routhumberland, and I. Bardolfe conspiring the kings death, were taken in the Routh and beheaded, which was in the s. yere of this king Denty.

This civil rebellion of lo many nobles & other against Archb.of the king, declared what grudging beartes the people then Yorke, an bare towarde this king Denry. Among whome I cannot L. Moubray precermit heere also the Archb. of yorke named Richards Scrope, who with the L. Moubley Marchal of England, gathered a great company in the Aouth countrey, against the foresaid king, to whom also was adiopned the helpe of I. Bardolfe, & Benry Berry Earle of Morthumberland. Ex Chron. D. Albani. And to firre by the people more willingly to take their partes, they collected certaine Articles against the faid king, to the number of 10, and fallned them bpon the dozes of Churches and Monasteries, to be read of all men in English. Which articles if any be disposed to understand, a for somuch as the same also containe a great part of the doings betweene king Benry & king Richard aforclayde, I thought for the better opening of the matter heere buder to inferte the fame, in such forme as I founde them in the historie of Scala mundi expressed.

Yorke, and against King Henry 4.

Bardolfe, Henry Per cy, Earle of Northumberland agaynst the Exhiftor. Scala mudi.

Articles fee vpon church dores 2 gainst K. Hen4.

Articles fet vp on Church-doores against Ring Henry the fourth.

In the name of Bod. Amen. Before the Lorde Jefus

Chaift, indge of the quicke and dead. ac. we A.B.C.D. ac. not long lithens became bounde by othe bypon the faced Buangelicali boke, buto our soueraigne Lorde Kicharde late king of England and France, in the piclente of many piclates, potentates, and nobilitie of the realme: that wee fo long as we lined, thould be are true allegeance and fidelity towardes hym and his beires succeding hym in the kingdom by just title, right, and line, according to the flatutes and custome of this realme of England : 189 bertue wherof, we are bound to forelee y no vices or hainous offences arile in the common weale, do take effect or wylhed ende, but that we ought to gene our selucs and our godes to wistand the same, without seare of swood or death whatfocuer, vpon paine of periurie, which paine is enerlasting damnation. wherfore, we leing & perceining diners horris ble crimes, and great enounities daily without ceasing to be committed, by the children of the denill and fathans folbiones against the supremacie of the Church of Rome, the libertie of the church of England, and the lawes of the realme, against y person of king Rich, and his beires agains the prelates, noble men, religion, and comminaltie, and fis nally against the whole weale publike of frealine of England, to the great offence of the maielty of almighty Bod, and to the pronocation of his full weath and vegeance to wards the realme and people of the same. And fearing also the destruction both of the Churche of Kome and England, & the ruine of our courry to be at hand, having before our eyes the inflice & the kingdom of Bod, calling alwaics on the name of Jelus, having an affured confidence in his clemency, mercy and power: have here taken but o be certain articles lublicibed in forme folowing, to be proponed, tried, and heard before the rull judge Jelus Christ, and the whole world, to his honour, the delivery of the church, the cleargy and communalty, and to the utility a profite of the weale publick. But if (which Bod forbid) by force, feare or violence of wicked persons we shalbe cast in prison, or by violent death prevented, so as in this worlde we spall not be able to proue the faide articles as we would with, then do we apcale to the high celestiall judge, that he may indge

& difcerne the fame, in the day of his supreme indgement.

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