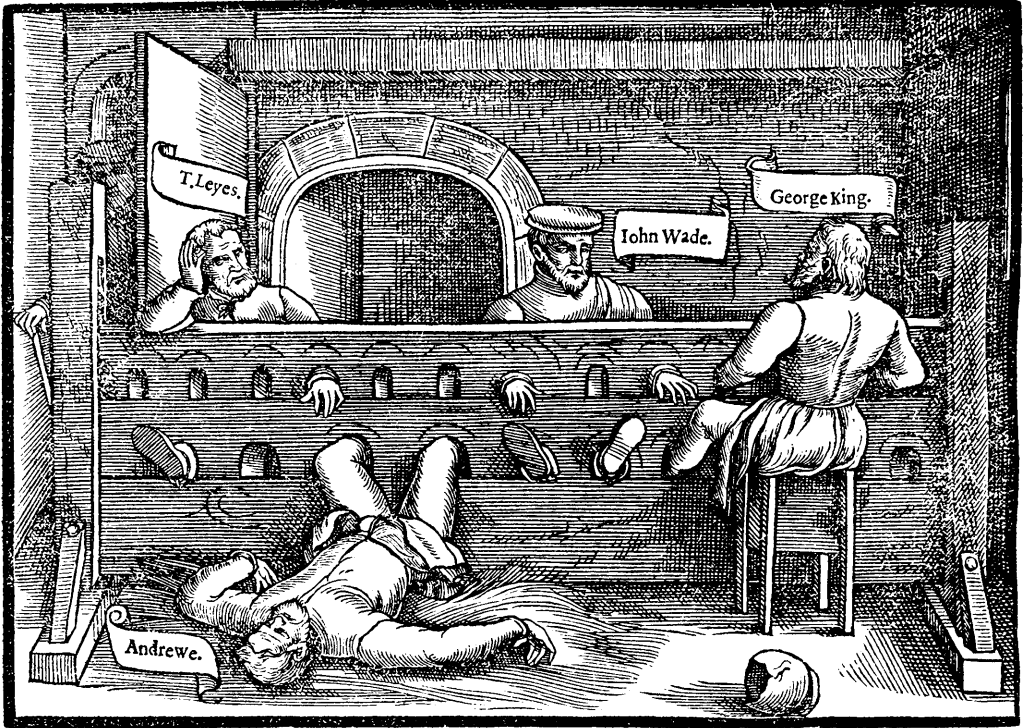


Anno 1555. August,

# The picture describing the straight handling of the cloafe prisonners in Lollardes Tower.



vnto your Lordship, but by occasion of other businesse the thing hath bene omitted. Wherefore knowing their good pleasure, I did aduise the keeper of Newgate to waite vpon you with these fewe lines. And so referring the rest to your vertuous consideration, I remaine your good Lordships to commaund, this 12. of Iune. 1555.  
Richard Southwel.

This william Andrewe being twice brought before Boner to examination, there manfully stode in the defence of his Religion. At length through strait handlinge in the Prison of Newgate, there he lost his life, which els bys aduicaries would haue taken away by fire; and so after the popish manner he was cast out into the fieldes, and by night was priuily buried by the handes of good men and faithfull brethren.

## The Martyrdome of Rob. Samuel,

Preacher, suffering for the true defence of Christes Gospell.

Master Foster Justice, dwelling at Cobdock in the Countie of Suffolke, and a little from Ipswicke, being in continuall hatred against the truth and the professors of the same, did not onely not cease day nor night to studie howe to bring those in thral and captivity, that were honest and godly inclined to religion, but also what soeuer they were that once came in bys clawes, they easily escaped not without clogge of conscience, or els losse of life: so greedily was he of bloude. Among many whom he had troubled, there was one Samuel in king Edwardes dayes, a very godly and righte faithfull preacher of Gods word, who for his valiante and constante behaviour in his sermons, seemeth worthy of high admiration. He was minister at Barfolde in Suffolke, where he taught faithfully & fruitfully that flocke which the Lord had committed to his charge, so long as the time would suffer hym to doe his duetic.

At the laste being remooued from the Ministerie, and put from bys Benefice (as manye other good Pastours were beside) when hee coude not auoide the raging violence of the time, yet would he not geue ouer his care that he had for his flocke, but would teache them priuily and by stealth, when hee coude not openly be suffered so to doe. At what time order was taken by the Queene, to be published by the Commissioners, that all Pastors whiche had

married in kinge Edwardes dayes, putting theyr wiues from them, should be compelled to retorne againe to theyr chastite and single life. This Decree would not Samuel stande vnto, for that hee knewe it to be manifestly wicked & abominable, but determining with himselfe that Gods lawes were not to be broken for mannes traditions, kept bys wife still at Ipswicke, and gaue his diligence in the meane time to the instructing of other whyche were about him, as occasion serued. At laste maister Foster hauing intelligence hereof, beinge a greate doer in those quarters, forchacked no time nor diligence, but chifones sendeth out his espialles abroad, laying hard waite for Samuel, that if he came home to his wife at anye time, they myghte apprehend him, and carie him to prison.

In conclusion, when suche as should betraye hym, espyed him at home with his wife, they bringing word to the Officer, came immediatelye flocking about bys house, and beset it with a great companie, and so tooke hym in the nyght season, because they durste not doe it in the daye time, for feare of trouble and tumult, although good Samuel did nothinge withstand them at all, but meckely yeluded himselfe into their clouches of his owne accord. When they had thus caughte hym, they put hym into Ipswicke Baile, where he passed his time meckely among his godly brethren, so long as hee was permitted to continue there. Howbeit not long after, being taken from thence, he was carryed (through malice of the wicked sorte) to Ipswicke, where the sayde bishop Doctour Hopson, (whether he or Doctour Dunninges his Chancelour) full like vnicersitall Prelates exercised greate crueltie againste hym, as in deede they were men in that time of persecution, as had not their matches for straitnes and cruell tormenting the bodies of the Sainthes among all the rest beside, and specially through the procuring of Dunninges. For although the other were sharpe enough in their generacion: yet could they be satisfied with imprisonment and death, and would goe no further. Myther did I ever yet heare of anye besides these, which to fauor exceeded all bounds of pittie and compassion in tormenting their poore brethren as this Bishoppe did: in suche sorte that many of them hee peruerced and broughte quite from the truth, and some from theyr wiues also.

The Bishop therefore, or els his Chancelor, thinking that he mighte as easily puaile with Samuel, as he had done to other before, kept him in a very strait prison at his first coming, where he was chained boite vpright to a greate post,

W. Andrew twice before B. Boner. W. Andrew through strait handling dyed in Newgate. W. Andrew buried in the fieldes.

Mayster Foster Justice persecutor of Christes people.

Robert Samuel in K. Edwardes dayes a godly Preacher.

Robert Samuel removed from the ministry.

Robert Samuel would not consent to the wicked decree. Q. Mary put away his wife.

Robert Samuel apprehended in his house by night.

Robert Samuel put in Ipswich Gaol.

Robert Samuel removed to Norwich.

The cruelty of Dunninges: hee bloudy Chancelour.