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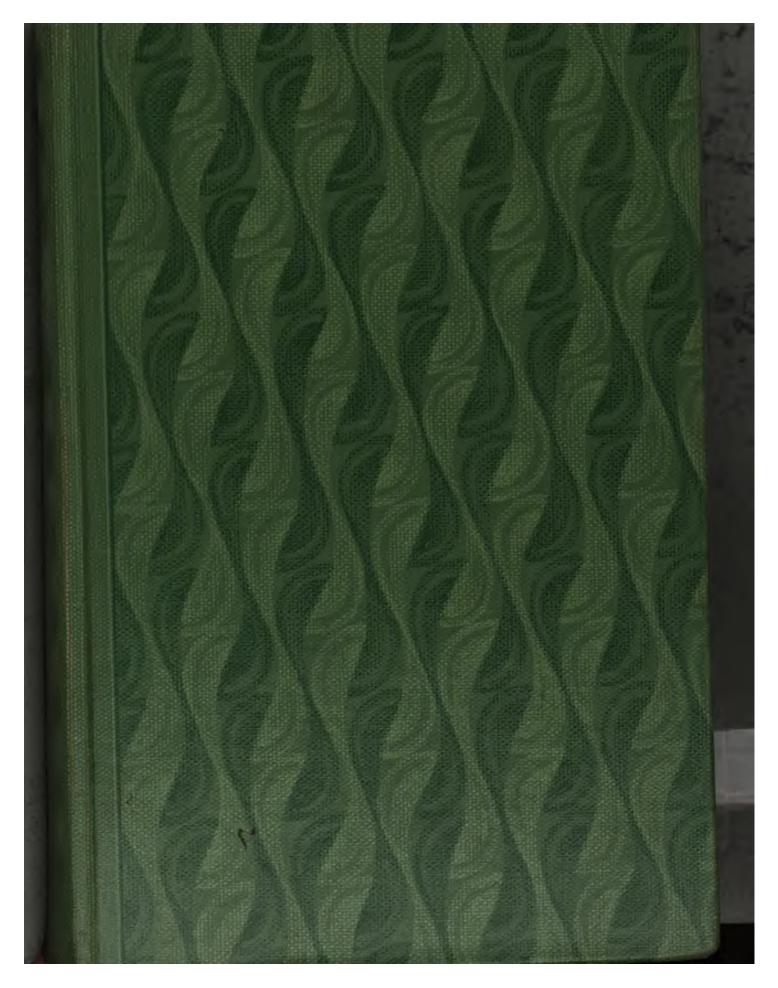
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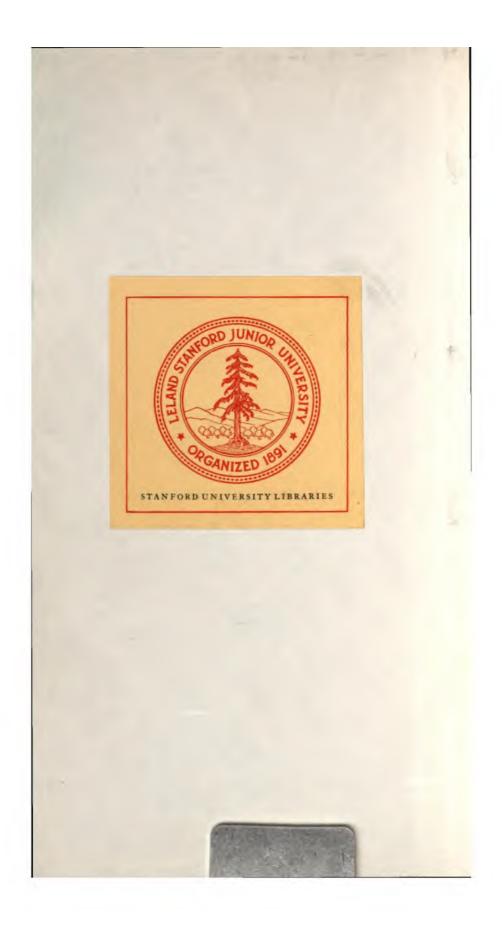
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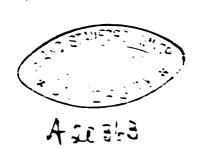
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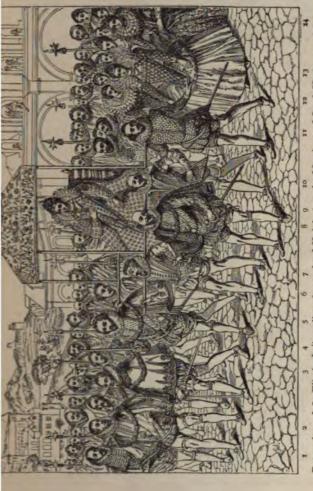
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Procession of Q. Elizabeth (in a litter borne by 6 Knights) to the Marriage of Lord Herbert and Miss

Thomas, 1st Lord Howard of Walden.
 George Carey, and Lord Hunsdon, Lord Chamberlain, with white wand.
 George Cifford, Earl of Cumberland.
 Herber, on a Lord Hunsdon, Lord Chamberlain, with white wand.
 George Clifford, Earl of Cumberland.
 Herber, of Cordolfine.
 Edward Manners, Earl of Kutland,
 Lord Herbert of Cardiffe.
 Edward, 4th Earl of Worcester, father of the bridgeroom.
 Lord Herbert of Cardiffe.
 Edward Russell, and Earl of Bedford; or the bridgeroom's brother Thomas.
 Lord Herbert, the Bridgeroom.
 Lory Harrington, Countess of Bedford.
 The Bridgeroom.
 Ladoy Russell, mother of the Bridgeroom Witten's point, and G. Scharf, in Archeol. Fourtal., Xxii, 131.
 The Original paining († by Marc Gerard) is Lord Hebster's Mr. Digby's copy, at Sherborne Castle, Dorsetshire, puts the Queen's right hand under her dress, and hides the bride's feet.)

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Spinster's Ruff and bare neck; Farthingale (or Crinoline). Miss Anne Russell [formerly supposed to be Lady Hunsdon]; from Virtue's print. See the Heliogravure, above. Planché, i. 187.



Ruff Wings, &c. Queen Elizabeth. Planché, i. 246, 435.
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Time of James I. The Earl (Carr) and Countess of Somerset (Lady Essex). Planché, ii. 230.

Later fashion of marrid women baring the neck.



Mask, from a print by P. de Jode; time of James I. Planché, i. 366.



Q. Ehzabeth: early Portrait, with 'Mary-Queen-of-Scots'-cap.'



Ruff 'underpropped with Supportasse. Stubbes, p. 70, foot. Planché, i. 443.



Wheel Farthingale (or Crinoline). Anne of Denmark, Queen of James I. Planche, i. 187.

Later Fashion of marrid Women baring the Neck.

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Ruff. Sir William Russell, 1590. Planché, i. 436.



Ruff, pointed Doublet, and Netherstockes (Stubbes, p. 57); time of Elizabeth, from portrait of Sir William Russell. Planché, i. 172.



Hat, with Lady's glove in it (gauntlet shown). George Clifford, Earl of Cumberland. Planché, i. 256.



Cap. Sir Christopher Hatton; time of Elizabeth. Planche, i. 77.

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Memorandum:

ON BALLAD-BROADSIDE ILLUSTRATIONS OF COSTUME AND MANNERS.

BY THE RF.V. J. W. EBSWORTH.

THE history of the woodcuts illustrating the common street-ballads has never yet been systematically undertaken. Mr. William Chappell, our very highest authority on all matters connected with old songs and ballads, their words, music, and publication, has avowedly left the subject of their woodcuts to other students and specialists. It is of sufficient importance to be assigned to one volunteer, who has already made considerable progress in tracing the source from which many of the woodcuts had descended to the hawkers; and his future gift to the Ballad-Society members may prove the interest attached to the search, and the value of several discoveries. Meanwhile here are some Ballad-Society woodcuts chiefly from the Roxburghe and the Bagford Collections, as reproduced under the editorship of Messrs. Wm. Chappell and J. W. Ebsworth. A few words from the latter may accompany the present selection of woodcuts, without borrowing from the Planché descriptions.

All the street-ballad cuts, of early, middle, or recent times, fall easily into one of two groups. 1. Those which were engraved expressly for some one particular ballad. 2. Those which had originally belonged to a higher class printed-book, and, after having served the purpose of attracting attention and sale to it, became lessened in value, often mutilated of parts, worm-eaten, and cracked, and in such condition fell into the hands of those literary rag-pickers, the professional publishers of street-ballads for hawkers. There is seldom any practical difficulty found by an expert determining to which of these two classes every woodcut belongs, when it is encountered on a broadside. In general the first class, of ballad-cuts proper, are of much coarser execution, more clumsy in design, and later in costume than the book-illustrations. Of these latter a large number were no doubt the work of French and German artists. A few of these here given belong to known books, still extant, and there are many others in the Roxburghe, Bagford, Wood, and Rawlinson collections which are veritable relics of small quarto volumes of pleasantry, which must always be interesting to students of old literature. Thus the cut marked (A)

18* Memorandum on Ballad-broadside Illustrations.

belonged to Robert Greene's "Quip for an Upstart Courtier," published in 1592. (B) is a mutilated and spoilt illustration from the title-page of Will Kemp's "Nine-Days Wonder," 1600; the figures separated and absurdly misplaced (after each had been elsewhere used singly, and the original intention forgotten): with the bells on Kemp's legs shorn away to disguise their morris-dancer significance. These bells are better seen in the terribly-reduced copy (C) of the morris-dancer receiving his prizecup and a "modest quencher," that "cheers," if it does no more. The gambling Bordello-scene (D) is an Elizabethan picture of fast-life, that had originally belonged to a small pamphlet. (E) is a very slovenly and inaccurate copy (Planché's) from the wood-cut adorning the title-page of "A Faire Quarrell: written by Thomas Midleton and William Rowley," 1622. This edition is in the present writer's possession, but there was an earlier edition issued in 1617. The cut may have been used before that date, as evidently the two shields on the ground, with armorial-bearings emblazoned, mark some special duel.

The single figure (F) represents Gabriel Harvey, as caricatured offensively by Thomas Nash (as though Harvey had anticipated Alderman Atkins of Civil-War date, in forgetting his manners; even as Hogarth misrepresented Felix when he "trembled"). It is from "Haue with you to Saffron Waldon," 1596, and become a favourite adornment among ballad-prints. There is clever satire embodied in (G), showing how drink develops the latent animalism of human beings. The original cut, before it descended to the ballad printer Rich. Harper, was on the title-page of Thomas Heywood's "Philocothonista; or, the Drunkard opened, dissected, and anatomised," 1635. At the Bodleian Library. when engaged on the Bagford-Ballad editing, the present writer found the Maypole-dance (H); with its primitive perspective of street-architecture resembling our modern workmen's cottages, and the clear indication of a prize-wreath for the Queen of the May, with the protecting stumps around the May-pole, and the Tabourer with his pipe, calling the flat-capped 'Prentice-boys and the blithe damsels to a dancing-bout. It is apparently of Charles the First's time, and, to the best of our belief, was never copied before, being used as an extra-illustration of the Ballad-Society's Bagford-Ballads.

The Tavern scene (I), with the "Drawer" waiting, was a favourite illustration of Martin Parker's convivial ballads, three of which it adorns. John Wade's publisher often selected (K), with its cavaliers regaling themselves over the Virginian weed:—

Much meate doth gluttony produce, And makes a man a Swine; But hee's a temperate-man indeed, That with a lafe can dine.

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He needes no napkin for his hande His fingers for to wipe; He hath his kitchin in a box, His Roast-meate in a pipe. (1641.)

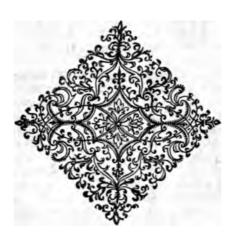
The patient fisherman (L), we believe, appeared in some little precursor of Isaak Walton's "Compleat Angler," and long before his date of 1653. (M) and (N) probably belonged to one story-book, and showed the progress of a love-affair, the garden-scene being a later incident in the tale. To us it seems to be of James the First's time. Most of the other cuts were intended from the first as ballad-illustrations. The Tinker (O) was always a popular, amatory, and reckless character; to whom many old ballads were devoted, and he was always triumphant. The number of representations of Queen Elizabeth (P, Q, and R,) testify to the fondness with which the people regarded "Good Queen Bess," both before and after the Crown had passed to the Stuart family. We have an impression that the picture of a Queen with a veil depending from her head (S) represented "Bloody Mary." It is of rare occurrence, in comparison with those of her more popular sister, Elizabeth. The obtrusively-indelicate exposure of the bosom (T) was a court-fashion of James the First's time, to whose date the woodcut belongs. In Coryat's "Crudities," 1611, both the frontispiece and the illustration of his meeting the Venetian Courtezan shew how this fashion prevailed among the frail sisterhood in other lands. Fuller's "Profane State," an early edition, has a portrait of Joan of Naples, with exactly similar display; probably in that individual case it was a wanton calumny, but it was intended to blacken her character. Many upright people love to believe the worst about women who are fascinating. In an extant portrait of the beautiful and wicked Countess of Somerset, Carr's wife, there is an equal obtrusion of her charms, that ought to be kept secret. See the Bagford Ballads, p. 124, for what Dante writes on the immodesty of the Florentine women: "O dolce frate," etc., Purgatorio, canto xxiii. See also "Bagnall's Ballad," beginning, "A Ballet, a Ballet," in Musarum Delicia, 1656. An insufficiency of drapery to cover one part of the body seems generally to have accompanied some superabundance at another; as shown in the hoop-extended robes, with shoulder-lappets, and wire-spread starched-Ruff under the ears (U), in another Court-Lady of James the First: perhaps his Queen Anne, or the Lady Arabella. Even thus, bare shoulders and scanty under-garments are now found in conjunction with long trailing skirts. Going down to dinner, like Goldsmith's Traveller, ladies "drag at each remove a lengthening chain." The feather-fans appear in many of the cuts; and examples meet us (X' to X') of the same design being often copied; sometimes by rival publishers, but oftener to suit other-sized spaces, or admit of several

20*Memorandum on Ballad-broadside Illustrations.

ballads being worked off simultaneously, before stereotyping was understood. The Shepherdess with a crook (Y) affords a specimen of the fantastically Pastoral; her actual costume (compare Y²) being whimsical enough to embody the ideal desired. The dashing Cavalier (Z) with three-plumed hat and fair depending Love-locks, often tied with knots of ribbon, belongs to the reign of Charles the First, and adorns ballads of the date 1639. Until shortly after that time the popular representation of a lover was always as an armed horseman:

" I could not love thee, dear, so much Loved I not honour more."

J. W. EBSWORTH.





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Women's Feathers, Wired Ruffs, Wheel Farthingales. Men's Bumbasted Breeches, Hat-bands, Feathers, &c. 1. Elizabeth or James I.





(7 Time of James I.)



Women's Ruffs, Farthingales, &c. 4. Men's fringed Boot-tops, &c

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Roxburghe Ballad Cuts. A: from R. Greene's Quip for an Upstart Courtier, 1592.

B is the famous Clown Kemp's Dance to Norwich 1600, alterd from the title-page of his Nine-Days' Wonder: the Drummer ought to go before Kemp.

C. Morris-dancer, with bells below his knee, going to take a drink.

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P. Gabriel Harvey, from T. Nashe's Haue with you to Saffron Walden, 1596. The rest probably of the time of James I.





Fishing with an angle (7 Dutch). Probably time of James I.



The Jovial Tinker. See Memorandum.

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G. Drunkards, from the Title-page of T. Heywood's Philocothonista, 1635.



K. Pipes and Ale: final time of Q. Elizabeth or early of James I. SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES. d

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[Probably a Professor or Lecturer at College, with his Students. Note the Dress, Benches, Chair, Bookshelves. J. W. E.1



A Judicial Complaint: with plaintiff on his knees supplicating for redress, and the defendant standing, but losing courage while being admonished. Their inferior size is an indication of being of lowlier station. J. W. E.





I. Tavern-scene. Drawer attending at a revel.



H. May-pole Dance : time of Charles I. See Memorandum.

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§ 1. As Harrison's Description of England is the best work on the general condition of our country during Shakspere's early time, so is Stubbes's Anatomie the worthfullest for the special departments of Dress—and its extravagances in men and women,—of Amusements and the excesses they ran into, of the Follies and Naughtinesses of the day. No one can pretend to know Shakspere's England without Stubbes's help, and therefore the Anatomie has taken an early place in our Society's Sixth Series, whose purpose is to put before our Members the best pictures attainable of our great poet's time. The First Part only of the book is generally known. The reputation which its slash and life have won for it, has (I have long thought) unfairly darkend the merits of the Second Part, in which Stubbes shows up briefly the Abuses and Corruptions in all classes of Society, Temporalty and Spiritualty, and describes, one after the other, the

¹ Prof. Nichol, of Glasgow, calls this good word a barbarism! How happy for us, that a little cherub sits up aloft in the Northern wilds to look after the civilization of us Southerners!

36* § 1. Contents of the Anatomie, Part II. § 2. T. Nashe.

Country Queen Her Council Shires Judges (delays in law)

Prisoners, their hard case

Laws Universities Schoolmasters Merchants Drapers Clothiers Goldsmiths Vintners Butchers

Grasiers **Parks** Sheepmasters Landlords **Tailors** Starchers **Tanners** Shoemakers Brokers (F. 4, bk.)

Hospitality, or relief for the

poor. Beggars Husbandmen

Ingraters or Forestallers

Chandlers **Barbers**

Surgeons and Physicians Astronomers and Astrologers Prognosticators and Almanac-

Makers.

The list of subjects will show those who have had a taste of Stubbes in this First Part of his Anatomie how valuable the Second Part must be; and tho' the spice of it is not equal to that of the First Part, I mean to print it, as well for its own worth as to complete the work. But as the First Part was evidently written as a complete book, the Second Part being only calld out by the unwonted success of the First, I have put separate Forewords, Notes, and Index to the First Part, so as to keep it distinct from the Second; and I have not quoted in the Notes, any of the many illustrative passages that are in Part II., where, as the reader has seen, some of the Part-I-subjects are dealt with again.

§ 2. The general view of Stubbes is, that he was a mere bitter narrow-sould Puritan, who saw only the dark side of everything,evil in innocence, sin in mirth, the devil in dancing, and hell in Shakspere's art. In his own time this opinion prevaild. He was held up to contempt as one of the Mar-Prelate zealots and hypocrites by the sharp-tongued Thomas Nashe, who in 1590 plagiarized Stul bes's title, and helpt his own Anatomie of Absurditie into sale by following in Stubbes's wake, and yet had in 1589 cut him (and his fellows) up in the style following:-

§ 2. T. Nashe on Stubbes's Dice-playing and Widow. 37*

(1) NASHE on STUBBES, in his Almond for a Parrat, 1 1589.

"If they will needes ouerthrowe mee, let them goe in hand with the exploite, &-c. [on sign. C. 4.

Olla, holla, brother Martin, you are to hasty: what, Winter is no time to make warres in; you were best stay til summer, & then both our braines wilbe in a better temperature, but I thinke ere that time your witte wilbe welny worn thredbare, and your banquerout inuention, cleane out at the elbowes; then are we well holpen vp with a witnesse, if the aged champion of Warwicke, doe not lay in his shoulders, and support discipline ready to lie in the dust, with some or other demonstration. I can tell you, Phil. Stu. is a tall man also for that purpose. What, his Anatomy of Abuses for all that, will serue very fitly for an Antipast, before one of Egertons? Sermons: I would see the best of your Trauerses? write such a treatise as he hath done, against short heeld pantoffles. But one thing it is great pitty of him, that being such a good fellow as hee is, hee shoulde speake against dice, so as he doth: neuerthelesse ther is some hope of him, for as I heard not long since, a brother of his, meting him by chance (as theeues meete at the gallowes) after many Christian questions of the well-fare of his persecuted brethren, and sistern, askt him when they should have a game at tables together, "by the grace of God, the next Sabbaoth," quoth Phil., "and then if it shal so seeme good to his prouidence, have at you for ames ase and the dise." I forgette to tell you what a stirre he keepes against dumbe ministers, and neuer writes nor talkes of them, but he calleth them minstrels, when his mastershippe in his minority, plaide the Reader in Chesshire, for hue marke a yeare and a canuas dublet, couenanted besides, that in consideration of that stipend, he make cleane the patrones bootes euery time he came to towne. What neede more words to proue him a protestant? did not he behaue himselfe like a true Christian, when he went a wooing for his friend Clarke? I warrant you, he saide not 'God saue you, or God speed you,' with 'good euen, or good morrow,' as our prophane woers are wont, but stept close to her, with 'peace bee with you,' very demurely, and then told her a long tale, that in-so-much as widowhoode was an vncleane lyfe, and subject to many temptations, shee

¹ This tract has been attributed also to John Lyly, the author of *Euphues*; but it's surely more like Nashe, and ought to be his.

² The 'zealous Puritan and Preacher at the Black Fryers in London,' Stephen Egerton, author of a *Lecture* on *Gen.* xii, &c. Lon. 1589, 8vo. *Catechizing*, 1594, 8vo, &c. Wood, *Ath. Ozon.* (1691), i. 754.

³ The famous Puritan, Walter Travers, author of 'An Answere to a supplicatorie Epistle of G. T. for the pretended Catholiques,' 1583, &c. Wood, Ath. Oxon. (i. 1691), 741; Cooper, Ath. Camb.

might doe well to reconcile her selfe to the Church of God, in the holy ordinance of matrimony. Manye wordes past to this purpose; but I wotte well the conclusion was this, that since she had hitherto conuerst with none but vnregenerate persons, and was vtterly carelesse of the communion of Saints, she would let him, that was a man of God, put a newe spirite into her by carnall copulation, and so engraft her into the fellowshippe of the faithfull; to which, that shee might more willingly agree, hee offered her a spicke and spanne new Geneua Bible, that his attendant Italian had brought with him to make vp the bargaine. But for all the Scripture he could alledge, it should not bee; Phil. Stu. was no meate for her tooth. God wote, he could not get a penyworth of leachery on such a pawne as his Bible was; the man behinde the painted cloth mard all; and so, O griefe, a good Sabaoths day work was lost. Stand to it Mar-martin *Iunior*, and thou art good inough for ten thousand of them; tickle me my Phil. a little more in the flanke, and make him winche like a resty iade, whereto a dreaming diuine of Cambridge, in a certain private Sermon of his, compared the wicked. Saist thou me so, good heart? then have at you Maister Compositor, with the construction of Sunt oculos clari qui cernis sydera tanquam. If you be remembred, you were once put to your trumpes about it in Wolfes 2 Printing-house, when as you would needes have clari the infinitiue moode of a verbe passiue; which determined, you went forwards after this order: Sunt there are, oculos eies, qui the which, cernis thou doest see, clari to be cleare, tanquem sydera as the Stars: Excellent well done of an old Maister of Arte! yet why may not hee by authority challenge to himselfe, for this one peece of worke, the degrees hee neuer tooke?3 Learning is a iewel, my maisters; make much of it; and Phil. Stu. a Gentleman, euery haire of his head; whom although you doe not regard according as he deserues, yet I warrant you, Martin makes more account of him then so, who hath substituted him long since (if the truth were well boulted out) amongst the number of those priny Martinists which he threatens to place in euery parish. I am more then halfe weary of trotting too and fro in this cursed common wealth, where sinful simplicitye pufte vppe with pride of singularity, seekes to peruerte the name and methode of

¹ Sign, D. 1.

² Reginald Wolfe, the Queen's Printer, and planner of *Holinshed's Chronicle*. See Harrison, I. p. iv, and Stow, p. 65* n. below.

³ This phrase I take to be the ground of Antony Wood's (or his correspondent's) paragraph below, p. 53* n. Stubbes didn't take a degree; therefore he was at a University. No trace existed of him at Oxford; therefore he was at Cambridge, and lest before he took his degree. Then, because there was a Justinian Stubs, M.A., at Glo'ster Hall, Oxford, in 1589 (? enterd there in 1583), therefore Phillip Stubbes, after his 7 years' ramble about England, 1576-83, settled at Oxford for a time, at Glo'ster Hall.

⁴ Sign. D. 1, back.

§ 2. T. Nashe's Attack on Stubbes and his Anatom

magistracy. But as the moste of their arguments, are draour graue fathers infirmities, so all their outrageous endeud

their offspring from affected vainglory.

("An Almond for a Parrat / Or Cutbert Curry-knaues / Ah for the knaue Martin, and the / rest of the impudent Begger can not be content to stay their stomackes / with a Benefithey will needes / breake their fastes with / our Bishops. / A sum plenus. / Therefore beware (gentle Reader) you / catch not the hicket with laughing. / [Ornament.] Imprinted at a Place, not farre from / a Place, by the Assignes of Signior Some-body, and / are to be sold at his shoppe in Trouble-knaue / Street, at the signe of the / Standish. /" [1589].)

(2) NASHE ON STUBBES, in his Anatomic of Absurditie, 1590 (sign. B. ii.).

"I leave these [Girls and their praisers] in their follie, and hasten to other mens furie, who make the the dunghill whether they carry all the muck of their mella e imaginations, pretending forsooth to anatomize abuses, an ne vp sin by the rootes, when as there waste paper beeing wel seemes fraught with nought els saue dogge daies effects, who, places of Scripture against suttonie, and drunkennesse, pride, whoredome, couetousnes extend their inuectiues so farre against the abuse, that almost the things remaines not whereof they admitte anie lawfull vse. Speaking of pride, as though they were afraid somebody should cut too large peniworthes out of their cloth: of couetousness, as though in them that Prouerbe had beene verified, Nullus ad amissas ibit amicus opes: of gluttonie, as though their liuing did lye vppon another mans trencher: of drunkennesse, as though they had beene brought vppe all the dayes of their life with bread and water: and finally of whoredome, as though they had beene Eunuches from theyr 1 cradle, or blind from the howre of their conception. But as the Stage player is nere the happier, because hee represents oft times the persons of mightie men, as of Kings & Emperours, so I account such men neuer the holier, because they place praise in painting foorth other mens imperfections.

These men resemble Trees, which are wont eftsoones to die, if they be fruitfull beyond their wont; euen so they to die in vertue, if they once ouershoote themselues too much wyth inueighing against vice; to be brainesicke in workes if they be too fruitfull in words. And euen as the Vultures slay nothing themselues, but pray vpon that which of other is slayne, so these men inueigh against no new vice, which heere to fore by the censures of the learned hath not beene sharply condemned, but teare that, peecemeale wise, which long since by ancient wryters was wounded to the death, so that out

of there forepassed pains, ariseth their Pamphlets, out of their volumes, theyr inuectives. Good God, that those that neuer tasted of any thing saue the excrementes of Artes, whose thredde-bare knowledge being bought at the second hand, is spotted, blemished, and defaced, through translators rigorous rude dealing, shoulde preferre their sluttered sutes, before other mens glittering gorgious array, should offer them water out of a muddie pit, who have continually recourse to the Fountaine, or dregs to drink, who have wine to sell. At scire tuum nihil est, nisi te scire hoc sciat alter. Thy knowledge bootes thee not a button, except another knowes that thou hast this knowledge. Anacharsis was wont to say, that the Athenians vsed money to no other ende but to tell it; euen so these men make no other vse of learning, but to shewe it. But as the Panther smelleth sweetelie but onely to brute beastes, which shee draweth vnto her to theyr destruction, not to men in like maner, so these men seeme learned to none but to Idiots, whom with a coloured shew of zeale, they allure vnto them to their illusion, and not to the learned in like sort. I knowe not howe it delighteth them to put theyr Oare in [an] other mans boate, and their foote in another mans boote, to incurre that prouerbial checke, Ne sutor vltra cre-1 pidam, or that oratoricall taunt, Quam quisque norit artem, in ea se exerceat: with the Elephant to wade and wallowe in the shallow water, when they woulde sooner sincke then swym in the deepe Riuer, to be conuersant in those Authors which they cannot vnderstande, but by the translatour their Interpreter, to vaunte reading when the sum of their divinitie consists in twopennie Catichismes; and yet their ignoraunt zeale wyll presumptuously presse into the Presse, enquiring most curiouslie into euery corner of the Common wealth, correcting that sinne in others, wherwith they are corrupted themselues. To prescribe rules of life, belongeth not to the ruder sorte; to condemne those callings which are approoued by publique authoritie, argueth a proude contempt of the Magistrates superiority. Protogenes knew Apelles by one lyne, neuer otherwise seene, and you may knowe these mens spirit by theyr speeche, their minds by their medling, their folly by their phrase. View their workes, and know their vanitie; see the Bookes bearing their name, and smile in thy sleeue at their shame. A small ship in a shallow Riuer, seemes a huge thing, but in the sea a very little vessell; euen so each trifling Pamphlet to the simpler sorte, a most substantiall subject, whereof the wiser lightly account, and the learned laughing contemne. Therefore more earnestly I agrauate their faulte, because their crime is crept into credit, and their dooinges deemed deuotion, when as purposelie to some mans despight, they bring into act their cholericke motions.

A common practise it is now adaies, which breedes our common calamitie, that the cloake of zeale, shoulde be vnto an hypocrite in steed of a coate of Maile, a pretence of puritie, a pentisse for iniquitie,

§ 2. T. Nashe's Attack on Stubbes and the Puritans. 41*

a glose of godlines, a couert for all naughtines. When men shall publiquelie make profession of a more inward calling, and shall waxe cold in the workes of charitie, and feruent in malice, liberall in nothing but in lauishe backbyting, holding hospitalitie for an eschewed heresie, and the performance of good workes for Papistrie, may wee not then haue recourse to that caueat of Christ in the Gospell, Cauete ab 1 hipocritis. It is not the writhing of the face, the heaving vppe of the eyes to heaven, that shall keepe these men from having their portion in hell. Might they be saued by their booke, they have the Bible alwaies in their bosome, and so had the Pharisies the Lawe embroidered in their garments. Might the name of the Church infeasse them in the kingdome of Christ, they will include it onely in their couenticles, and bounde it euen in Barnes, which many times they make their meeting place, and will shameleslie face men out, that they are the Church militant heere vpon earth, when as they rather seeme a company of Malecontents, vnworthy to breath on the earth. Might the boast of the spirit pind to their sleeues, make them elect before all other, they will make men beleeue, they doe nothing whereto the spirit dooth not perswade them: and what Heretiques were there euer that did not arrogate as much to themselues? These they be that publiquely pretende a more regenerate holines, beeing in their private Chambers the expresse imitation of Howliglasse.² It is too tedious to the Reader to attend the circumstaunce of their seuerall shyftes, the lothsomnesse of their guilefull wiles, the tract path of theyr treacherie: you know them without my discourse, and can describe their hypocrisie, though I be not the Notarie of their iniquitie, Seeing their workes, shun their waies."

(The Anatomie of / Absurditie: / Contayning a breefe confutation of the slender / imputed prayses to feminine perfection, with a short / description of the seuerall practises of youth, and / sundry follies of our licentious / times. / No lesse pleasant to be read, then profitable to be remembred / especially of those, who liue more licentiously, or addic-/ted to a more nyce stoycall austeritie. / Compiled by T. Nashe. / Ita diligendi sunt homines, vt eorum non / diligamus errores. / At London, / Printed by I. Charlewood for Tho-/mas Hacket, and are to be solde at his shop / in Lumberd Street, vnder the signe of / the Popes heade. / Anno. Dom. 1590. /)

Gabriel Harvey, in his *Pierces Supererogation*, 1593, against Thomas Nashe, thus (pp. 183-4) answers the latter's attack on Stubbes:—

"It is the destiny of our language, to be pestered with a rable-

¹ Sign. B. iii. back.

² A supposed rough practical joker and dirty doer. Wm. Copland printed (in 1548-60) 3 editions of the book recording his doings. For a list of its contents, see my Captain Cax, Ballad Soc., p. xlix-l.

42* § 2. Gabriel Harvey's Defence and Praise of Stubbes.

ment of botchers in Print: but what a shamefull shame it is for him [T. Nashe], that maketh an Idoll of his owne penne, and raiseth-vpp an huge expectation of paper-miracles, (as if Hermes Trismegist were newly risen from the dead, and personally mounted vpon Danters presse 1), to emprooue himself as ranke a bungler in his mightiest worke of Supererogation, as the starkest Patch-pannell of them all, or the grosest hammer-drudge in a country. He disdaineth Thomas Delone,2 Philip Stubs, Robert Armin, and the common Pamfletters of London, euen the painfullest Chroniclers tooe; bicause they stand in his way, hinder his scribling traffique, obscure his resplendishing Fame, or haue not chronicled him in their Catalogues of the renowned modern Autors, as he meritoriously meriteth, and may peraduenture be remembred hereafter. But may not Thomas Delone, Philip Stubs, Robert Armin, and the rest of those misused persons, more disdainfully disdaine him; bicause he is so much vayner, so little learneder, so nothing eleganter, than they; and they so much honester, so little obscurer, so nothing contemptibler, than he? Surely, Thomas, it were pollicy, to boast lesse with Thomas Delone, or to atchieue more with Thomas More. If Vaunting, or craking may make thee singular, thy Art is incomparable, thy Wit superexcellent, thy Learning omnisufficient, thy memory infinite, thy dexterity incomprehensible, thy force horrible, thy other giftes more then admirable; but . . .

In the same tract (*Pierces Supererogation*, 1593, pp. 190-1), Gabriel Harvey further praisd Stubbes² for his filed and workman-like style:—

"Our late writers are, as they are: and albeit they will not suffer me to ballance them with the honorable Autors of the Romanes, Grecians and Hebrues, yet I will craue no pardon of the highest, to do the simplest no wrong. In Grafton, Holinshed, and Stowe; in Heywood, Tusser, and Gowge ; in Gascoigne, Churchyarde, and Floide ; in Ritch, Whetstone, and Munday; in Stanyhurst, Fraunce,

¹ From which came in 1597 the first Quarto of Romeo and Juliet. J. Danter also enterd a Titus Andronicus in 1593.

² See the long list of Deloney's ballads, tracts, and books, in Hazlitt. Tho' Deloney might have been calld a pamphleteer, Robert Armin, the actor and play-writer, couldn't.

I assume that he means Phillip Stubbes, and not John Stubbe of the Gaping Gulfe, 1579 (p. 53° and 54° below). The Chroniclers who are coupled with Stubbes above, are praisd here by name, Grafton, Holinshed, Stowe; and certainly Harvey would admire all the hard inkhorn words in the early editions of the Anatomic.

4 See a bit of Googe's work in the Naogeorgus Appendix, p. 323 below.

⁶ Lodowick Lloyd, of *The Filgrimage of Princes*, &c., was so calld, says Mr. Hazlitt. See the list of his works in Lowndes.

§ 2. Nashe's Widow-chaff of Stucces not to be believd.

and Watson; in Kiffin¹, Warner, and Daniell; in an hundred sulgar writers, many things are commendable, diuers things not some things excellent. For a polished and garnished stile, few beyonde Cartwright, and the chiefest of his Confuters, furnis writers: and how few may wage comparison with Reinolds, Stu Mulcaster, Norton, Lambert, and the Lord Henry Howarde? who seuerall writings, the siluer file of the workeman recommendet the plausible interteinment of the daintiest censure.²

Now I don't want, with Harvey, to call the slashing Tom Na "the sonne of a mule, a rawe Grammarian, a brabling Sophisto counterfaict cranke, a stale rakehel a piperly rymer, a stun miler, a dodkin autor" (ib. p. 61); or to say that his book st Harvey): "Railing, railing, like his Strange Newes (1592, aga miling: bragging, bragging, braggi and nothing else, but fowle tailing vpon railing, and vayne bra pon bragging, as rudely, shamed Print" (ib. p. 64), grosely, odiously, filthily, beastly, a but I do not believe his story abou Stubbes and the widow. Nashe reminds me of a little drunken scr bbler I once knew, who, when a man offended him, always said 'the fellow 's a drunken clown.' Nash and his loose-living likes, who sneerd at Stubbes and his mates as eunuchs, did, I believe, invent or get hold of any joking talelike that of the Bible that wasn't a high enough cushion for a willing sister and an endeavouring brother, because the Apocrypha wasn't in it Percy Fol., L. & H. Songs, p. 35), -and stick it on to any Puritan they wanted to chaff. So that it raisd a laugh was all they cared for, and when it had done this, they were satisfied. Nashe's story goes too far. Even if Stubbes had been an Angelo, and the widow an Isabella, the bribe wouldn't have been a Bible. So I reject the

¹ Maurice Kyffin, of the Blessedness of Brytaine, 1587, &c.: see Hazlitt's Handbook, p. 322-3.

² See the praises of other authors, &c., before and after, p. 190-2: Southwell, \$cot (Discovery of Witchcraft), Whitgift, Drant, Dr. Still, &c. On p. 60-1, he calls Nashe "a May-Lord of Primerose-hill, that hath all humours in his linerie, & can put conscience in a Vices coate." I don't take up space by quoting the chief works of the authors nam'd in the text above, as they are either well known or can be easily found in bibliographical lists.

³ See too in *Dodsley*, ix. 61-2, the jest about the Puritan lass who yielded only to prevent her lover breaking his oath, as he'd sworn to succeed. The point of the Apocrypha joke was that the Puritans calld the Apocrypha a lot of Popish fables, and refusd to acknowledge it as part of the Bible.

44* § 3. Was Elizabethan Dress outrageously absurd?

widow tale. Nashe, however, is more to be regarded, and is nearer hitting the nail on the head, when he complains of Stubbes extending his "inuectiues so farre against the abuse, that almost the thing remaines not whereof they admitte anie lawfull vse."

§ 3. But the question is, τ . whether Stubbes was writing against real abuses or not, and 2. whether he wrote from real earnestness, or only hypocrisy. If the excesses he denounct were real, and if his zeal against them was righteous, we shall not judge him harshly because he went a little too far in the words he used, or the sharpness of the curb he'd have liked to put on offenders.

On the first point he deals with, Men's and Women's Dress, I ask whether one single writer of the time can be produc'd, who treats the matter, and is satisfied with his contemporaries' practice? I've never seen or heard of one. But on the contrary, every man whose book you open,—from the catholic Shakspere, who surely liked his cakes and ale, to the sensible cheery Harrison, the odd, and liker of oddities, Tom Coryat,—every single writer condemns the foolery, extravagance and evil of the outrageous garments around him. The Queen and her Council did so (see the fine volume of her Proclamations in the Grenville Library, Brit. Mus., an. 1, 4, 8 (p. 94-6), 16 (p. 155-7), 19 (p. 171-3), 30 (p. 253-7), 39 (p. 343-6, A.D. 1597). And we, by our practice, do it too.

Why also did Stubbes condemn these follies? Not only because he saw with Shakspere that men bore manors on their backs, and sacrifict their inheritances to gratify their stupid pride; not only because he knew, with Harrison, that for this, England's oaks were felld, her country hospitality stopt; but because the follies led to the neglect of the poor—the humble folk that ben Christ's friends, as Chaucer says—who were left to die in the streets like dogs, the dung that rotted, to grow the flowers that adornd the Court

Take the next vices with which Stubbes deals, Whoredom and Adultery, Gluttony and Drunkenness; and on the first pair, contrast Shakspere's Spring Song on the Cuckoo at the end of *Love's*

¹ See An. 42, for suppression of Ale-houses, and due observance of Fish-days; and an. 43 for prohibiting the carrying of dags (big pistols: *Harrison*, i. 283).

§ 3. Did Stubbes condemn Whoredom too strongly? 45*

Labours Lost with Wordsworth's, and judge whether Stubbes had cause to write as he did, or not, and whether we haven't cause to be grateful that he and his fellows did write thus, and set their faces as a flint against the idle wits that treated the soiling of women's purity as a joke, and the debauching of girls as an honourable token of manliness. Thank God, it requires an effort of the imagination to turn from our own state of society—faultful tho' it be—and conceive one in which the so welcome note of the herald of spring, the recaller of youth's 'golden time,' could suggest the idea of cuckoldry to any husband. No longer is it true in England, that

> "When Daisies pied, and Violets blew, And Cuckow-buds of yellow hew, And Ladie-smockes all siluer white, Do paint the Medowes with delight, The Cuckow then on euerie tree Mockes married men; for thus sings he, Cuckow! Cuckow, Cuckow! O worde of feare, Vnpleasing to a married eare." L. L. Lost, V. 904-12, Folio I. p. 144, col. 2.

And we have to thank mainly the Puritan party that this old evil is not ours still.

As to the Drunkenness, that is still the great curse of our land. And ask any one who's been among working men, and seen what a drinker's home and wife and children are like, seen the blessed change that teetotalism makes in all; ask any one who knows what went on in the upper and middle classes as late as my own father's day, my own youth,—the daily debasing of men to worse than brutes; -ask any one who knows but a little of Elizabethan books; ask Shakspere, thro' Hamlet or Cassio, whether Stubbes has said one word too stern against that "devil drunkenness" (Oth. II. iii. 297), which was in his day, as it is in ours, the blight of our native land.

As to the evils next complaind of, the enclosure of Commons without due regard to the rights of the poor, the cheating dealers, &c.—what is our Commons-Preservation Society, what are our Co-operative Societies and Stores, but declarations that Stubbes was in the right; that landlords' greed needs check by law, the weakness

SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND : STUBBES,

46* § 3. Stubbes's abuse of Cheating, etc., justified.

of the poor needs help; and that the Dealer, standing between the workman and the buyer, to make out of both the most he can for himself, without regard to the welfare of either, is a being who has to be turnd into the agent of worker or buyer, or if possible both, bound to act honestly, and put down all adulteration, extravagant profit, and tricks of trade. As to the evil of letting usurers get the ownership of mortgagees' lands because the money was not paid on the day fixt for its return, our Courts of Equity and our Laws have long since settled that Stubbes was right, and have secured the mortgagee his equity of redemption, and prevented the mortgagor from taking more than his principal and interest. So also our laws have, by later Insolvency and Bankruptcy Acts, declard Stubbes right in his denouncing of the old iniquitous power of creditors to keep moneyless debtors in prison just as long as they lik'd, let their heels rot from their buttocks, as Stubbes says, in the foul prisons of the day, and then make dice of their bones.

Swearing has so long ceast to be "good form," that Stubbes's condemnation of it will be acquiest in by all, tho' they may not want swearers now branded with a hot iron, or believe in judgments on em.¹

We now come to Stubbes's wholesale abuse of the Amusements of his time; and it is for this that many folk condemn him, that I allow he was "sumwhat too sour," and went beyond the bounds which he had laid down for himself in his Preface. But let the reader recognize how very much there was in the pastimes of the day that deservd the strongest blame, and in how many cases posterity has justified Stubbes's censures. Note first, that the main reason for Stubbes's fierceness was, that all the games and devilry that he complains of so bitterly, were carried on more vigourously on Sunday than any other day. This is the point the whole matter

¹ Years ago I chanced to ask a regular contributor to the Saturday—a very high wrangler of my time at Cambridge—what had made the S. Review such a success. He said, "Mainly Cook's (the editor's) power of swearing. He swears at everybody so fiercely, from the printer's devil to his best leader-writer or sub-editor, that he makes us all do exactly as he tells us. I never heard such oaths." The like procedure seems to produce contrary effects at the Horse Guards.

terms on. 1 Stubbes lookt on the Day as specially holy to his Lord, to be spent "in hearing the woord of God truely preached, therby to learn and to doo his wil; in receiving the sacraments, rightly administred; in vsing publique and private prayer; in thanksgiving to God for all his benefits; in singing of godly Psalmes, and other spirituall exercises and meditations; in collecting for the poore, is desire of good woorks; and breefly, in the true obedience of the izward man" (p. 140); and instead of this, he saw all the vagabonds and drabs of the country playing the devil's delight all day long. and all night too. No wonder that he rose in wrath, and curst the whole crew. And who-even among us Sunday League and Sunder-Society-men, goers by train and boat-now wants to have bears buited, or theatres open?, on Sundays; fairs held then, and markets; the cancer danced, or drunken jollifications going on in Church or Churchyard? Who would let sister, daughter, or maid, be out with a mixt company of men and girls in the woods all night (p. 149)? Depend on it, there were abuses of the grossest kind in the rough games of Stubbes's and Shakspere's day, abuses even justifying the call that they should in public be put down for a time altogether. We know how many of them have been rightly given up since; and if we care, we may know that there are two sides to great gatherings for amusement now. Two of the occasions on which this has been brought home to me were these. The first time I was saying to a faithful-working curate-friend in a country town in Hampshire, how pleasant all lookt at the fair that morning. "Yes," he answerd, "I suppose one oughtn't to grudge the people their gathering; but our annual crop of bastards 'll be sown to-night. We had twelve last year, and eleven the year before; and many of the girls get ruind for life." The second time, chatting to an easy-going acquaintance about

¹ So in his denouncing of the Church-Ales, p. 150—2, one great grievance is that the Churches lie "like swyn-coates (pig-styes), their windowes rent, their dores broken, their walles fall downe, the roof all bare . . . the booke of God rent, ragged and all betorn, couered in dust," p. 151.

With Pink Dominoes (as describd to me) playd, or even the innocent Venus and Adonis acted, with next Sunday's Referee notice that Miss Phoebe Don's legs were "monuments of managerial perspicacity and plumpness."

³ See p. 146. Note too Chaucer on the dangers of Dances, &c., Cant. T., C. 65-6.

48* § 3. Stubbes right in abusing Bearbaiting, etc.

our races on Runnymede, at Egham, and saying that I'd seen no harm going on to justify the outcry against them by some folk, he answerd: "Ah, your people just drive down to the course, and go away when the races are over. But if you want to know when the harm's done, and what it is, come with me to the booths the nights before and after, and then take a turn about the grass, and see what's going on there. I'm not one of the strait-laced lot; but knowing what I do, I don't wonder at people trying to stop the whole affair." Folk who like races and fairs and fun in general, either shut their eyes to the evils attending them, or say it's human nature, and there's no such great harm in it after all; but other men and women exist in the world, who can't take sin and the causes of it like this; they're just forced by their souls to fight against it, and its sources, with word and deed, with all their might; and if they do speak a little too sharply, or hit a little too hard, the self-indulgent do-nothings had at least better keep from abusing or sneering at them.

The justness of Stubbes's argument against hunting, on p. 182, is acknowledged by our modern hunts paying for the damage they do to farmers' fences and crops; and his plea that 'For pleasure sake only, no man ought to abuse any of the cretures of God,' cannot be answerd, as every one 'Il confess who's seen, at the end of his first day's hunt, the tears and distresst look of the stag he's followd, or the last tries of the fox to save his life.1

In Stubbes's condemnation of cockfighting, gambling, bear-baiting, we all admit that he was right; and on the whole, tho' he would have put me as an inveterate Sabbath-breaker², dancer, and honourer of Shakspere, into one of the hottest corners of his 'Material Hell,' I do not hesitate to ask his readers to believe that the

¹ The only defence is a shirk, and 'You're another:' "You'can do without meat if you like; at any rate, you'd be better with little of it, and that of the simplest kind. But, solely for your pleasure, to tickle your palate, you have lots of animals needlessly killed; while we hunting men, for our health and refreshment, as well as our pleasure, only give a stag a good sweating, and kill a stinking fox now and then. Who are you to find fault with us?" (Mr. E. A. Freeman's articles on hunting and Mr. A. Trollope's answer, a few years back, I haven't seen.)

² And a backslider from the faith of Stubbes, for one Sunday, after a Sabbatarian parson's sermon, my father's Sunday newspaper, the *Windsor Express*, to his great disgust disappeard till Monday morning.

§ 4. Stubbes didn't rail only, but car'd for the Poor. 49*

Abuses he denounct were real and not fancid ones, cancers in the body of the commonweal, and that his words in denouncing them were not, in most cases, one whit too strong, We pass then to

§ 4. Was Stubbes a mere railer? In my early days in London, when one of a body of workers full of Christian-Socialist plans of social reform, helping in district-visiting, ragged schools, workingmen's associations, &c., came out some Latter-Day-Pamphlets, by a certain prophet of the time, which seemd to me to do nothing but swear generally all round. Everything was wrong, everybody except the writer—was a fool, niggers should eternally be slaves, and there was no hope for the world except in the coming of some beneficent hog-herd with a tremendous whip to drive the universal swine along the road they ought to go.1 One night a well-known naval novelist, a disciple of this faith, was at a friend's house, holding forth with his usual fervour, and I ventured to suggest that he should do something to try and cure some of the evils he seemd to feel so keenly. I askt him to teach in our ragged school in Little Ormond Yard. On which he took his pipe out of his mouth, took a sip at his —th glass of toddy, and said, 'My dear Sir, I'll see you and your ragged school damnd first! The world 's going to the devil its own way. Let it go!'

Now Phillip Stubbes wouldn't have given a like answer—if I judge him aright—had John Stubbe, or any such man, askt him to lend a hand to any good work near Lincoln's Inn in his day. He'd have gone and done his best at it, tho' he'd no doubt have insisted on dosing the workees with texts and sermons. On his Sundays, he didn't want only to sing psalms and pray; he'd also collect money for the poor, and do good works (p. 140). He wasn't angry with the rich for their gay clothes ar d vain show only, but because these led to 'cold charitie to the poore':

"Do they think that it is lawfull for them to have millions of sundry sortes of apparell lying rotting by them, when as the poore members of Iesus Christe die at their doores for wante of clothing?"

¹ If I do injustice to this book, which was a cruel blow to me after the noble Life of Cromwell, the Sartor, &c., I am sorry. I never opend it after the Parts were bound. But, had that whip then come to my hands, the prophetic back would have been the first laid open by it.

—p. 59. "And so [the poore diseased] being caried foorth, either in carts or otherwyse, and thrown in the streats, there they end their dayes most miserably. Truely, Brother, if I had not seen it, I would scarsly haue thought that the like Turkish cruelty had beene vsed in all the World."—p. 60.

Again and again Stubbes comes back to this, pp. 105, 116, 183, &c. He cares for God's dumb creatures too (pp. 178, 182). And tho' we can't class him with Orlando, who "wil chide no breather in the world but my selfe, against whom I know most fault" (As You Like It, III. ii. 297-8), we can honestly refuse to couple him with Jaques, or any of those who merely want to "raile against our mistris the worlde," and "must have liberty Withall, as large a Charter as the winde, To blow on whom [they] please" (ib. II. vii. 47-9).

- § 5. Stubbes and his Family. Where he came from, when he was born,2 where he was taught, and when he died, we don't
- ¹ He would, were he living now, certainly join the *Fellowship of Animals' Friends* that our Vice-Presidents Mr. and Mrs. Cowper-Temple have just founded. And he'd have curst the putting back Christians under Turkish rule in 1878 as heartily as I did; 'English interests' doing the Devil's work.
- ³ I suppose he was born about 1555,—the year that Latimer and Ridley were burnt at Oxford (Oct. 16) in bloody Mary's reign. If Stubbes's 7-years' travel about England by or before 1583, is to be taken literally, he probably did not start till he was his own master, and 21. I suppose that he didn't die till in or after 1610, when an enlargd edition of his *Pathway* was publisht, with 15 new prayers added, perhaps for the first time. That he was a well-read and learned man is plain from his books.

Here's a suggestion from *The Saturday Review* (Sept. 25, 1869, p. 421, col. 2) as to Stubbes's Christian name: "Why were there so many Philips in those days?—Philip, Earl of Arundel, to whom this book (Stubbes's *Anatomie*) is dedicated; Philip, Earl of Pembroke, to whom the Shakespeare folio is inscribed; Philip Sidney and Philip Massinger, who could write books for themselves. Why but because Philip was the name of the 'father of our Kings to be,' and was the favourite godpapa with the rank-worshipping mammas of the period. And if the word Philip had been called out at a bearbaiting in the sixteenth century, there would have been as many responses to it as there are nowadays when H'albert is shouted for at a Foresters' Fête at the Crystal Palace."

Now, though I can't pretend to measure the infinite flunkeyism of the Victorian or Elizabethan English mother and man, yet I must observe that Philip Massinger was baptizd on Nov. 23, 1583, only five years before the Armada, and Sir Philip Sidney born on Nov. 29, 1554, four years before Elizabeth came to the throne (1558); and if the 'mammas of the period' kept up their fancy for the Popish Philip of Spain during all the changes of feeling in this time, the fact will surprise any one who has studied the period with the least care. How Stubbes must have hated his name if he thought he got it from the pet son of the scarlet whore!

know.¹ His Marriage-license we have, the Certificates of his son's birth, and his wife's death; his own account of his 4½ years marrid life (below, p. 197-203, 208), and the few words he says of his travels about England, in his *Anatomie*, 1583 (p. 22, below), and *Motive to Good Workes*, 1593, p. 68*, 69*, below. Colonel Chester kindly sends me the Marriage License, from the Bishop of London:

"1586, Sep. 6, Philip Stubbes, Gentleman, of St. Mary at Hill, London, and Katherine Emmes, spinster, of the same parish, daughter of William Emmes, late of St. Dunstan in the West, London, Cordwainer, deceased—To marry at any church or chapel in the diocese of London."

Mr. Henry Stubbs of Danby, Ballyshannon, sends me the following extracts from the Parish-Registers of Burton-on-Trent, as all that the latter yield:—

"1590. John Stubs & filius Philippi baptized the 17 November 1590. Catherine Stubs buried the 14 day of December." •

¹ I say this notwithstanding the passage from Nashe quoted above, p. 37°, and the extract (evidently bas'd on it) from Ant. Wood that follows, p. 53°, note. But Nash's bit about the Cheshire readership may have some ground.

³ Dr. Howard, who has searcht the Registers of St. Mary at Hill, reports that there are no Stubbes entries in them.—J. L. C.

³ Of course you understand that Katherine Emmes's father was something more than a mere "shoemaker," as we now understand the term. His will styles him "Citizen and Cordwainer," i. e. a freeman of London, and member of the Cordwainers' Company. Stubbs in his tract intimates that William Emmes had held high office in his company, which elevates him to the level of the superior tradesmen of the old city.—J. L. C.

⁴ 70 years after, a John Stubs, with George Fox and Benjamin Furly, publisht "A Battle-Door for Teachers and Professors to learn Singular and Plural: You to Many, and Thou to One: Singular, One, Thou; Plural, Many, You. Wherein is shewed forth by Grammar, or Scripture Examples, how several Nations and People have made a distinction between Singular and Plural, &c. London, Printed for Robert Wilson, and are to be sold at his shop at the signe of the Black-Spread-Eagle and Wind-mil in Martins le Grand, 1660. folio." Hazlitt. Collection and Notes, p. 166, col. 2.

This is the day of her death, according to Phillip Stubbes. Possibly her fever led to her quick burial, but it looks odd. It was the Vicar, the Rev. C. F. Thornewill, that extracted the above entries in the Burton Registers for Mr. Henry Stubbes, who says, "the Vicar in his letter to me remarked that there was a + against the entry of Baptism of John Stubs, which he did not observe against any other entry; 'and likewise that the entry of Burial had evidently been made at a later date than that of the Burial itself, as it is in different ink from the rest, and is obviously put between the lines, having been forgotten or otherwise omitted at the time.'"

52* § 5. Stubbes's Life. His Mother-in-law, Mrs. Emmes.

All the facts, then, that we know about Philip Stubbes at present are, that he was a Gentleman—either by birth, profession, or both;—a writer, from 1581 to 1610 (?), of pamphlets and books strongly on the Puritan side, well-read in his Bible and holy books; that before 1583 he had spent "seuen winters and more, trauailing from place to place, euen all the Land ouer indifferently" (p. 21, below) about England; that he marrid in the autumn of 1586, a sweet, gentle, pious girl of from 14 to 15, with whom he led a happy peaceful life for nearly 4½ years, expounding texts to her to his heart's content—a blissful contrast to Milton's first experiment;—that he lost her on Dec. 14, 1590, from a 6-weeks' fever caught after she had thoroughly recoverd from bearing 'a goodly man childe'baptizd John, on Nov' 17;—that he was in 'lodging by Cheapside, 8 of November, 1593;' and that he probably livd till after the new edition of his Perfect Pathway to Felicitie was publisht, with 15 new Prayers, in 1610. Col. Chester writes: "I have again gone carefully over all the Stubbs' wills in Somerset House from 1550 to 1630, and can find nothing of his parentage. His own will is certainly not here, if he left one, and no letters of administration to his estate were ever taken out."

Stubbes's mother-in-law, Mrs. Emmes, is described by him as "a Dutch woman, both discreete and wise, of singular good grace and modestie . . . both religious and verie zealous" (p. 197), and yet she must have been a very Wife of Bath in the matter of husbands, 'one down, t'other come on.' Probably after her third husband's death, she in 1586 "bestowed her [daughter Katherine by her second husband, William Emmes,] in marriage to one maister Stubbes"—our Phillip—p. 197, below, and Col. Chester kindly sends me the following account of her:—

"The mother of Catherine Stubbes (née Emmes) was also named Catherine, and she was first the wife of one Reginald Melchior (or Melcher), whose will, as of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Middlesex, dated 22 Sept. 1563, she proved 12 Nov. following. Melchior directed his body to be buried in St. Martin's Church-yard. He merely left small sums to his apprentice and his maid, and the residue of his possessions equally to his wife Catherine and his son Melchior.

"The widow did not grieve long, for on the 8th of November

§ 5. Stubbes's Mother-in-law. A. Wood's Life of him. 53*

1563, four days before she proved her husband Melchior's will, a license was granted by the Bishop of London for her marriage with William Emmes, then of St. Sepulchre's, London. They subse-

quently lived in Fleet Street, St. Dunstan-in-the-West."

"The will of William Emmes, Citizen and Cordwainer of London, is dated 26 Nov. 1583. He bequeathed considerable property in houses, &c. to his wife Catharine, and his children, William, John, Catherine [Stubbes's wife], Anne, Susan, and Alice, all under age. The widow Catharine Emmes proved the will 14 Jan. 1583/4.

"Four days later, viz. 18 Jan 1583/4, the Bishop of London granted another license for her to marry Richard Tompkins, of St Mary at Hill, London. She outlived her third husband, for, on the 24th of April, 1591, letters of administration to her estate, as a widow, were granted to her daughter Alice, who was then wife of

(blank) Dumper."

(Of course the natural temptation has been yielded to,1 to make

1 By Antony Wood (or his informant)—whose account of Stubbes (not in his 1st ed.) is printed in inverted commas in Bliss's ed. of the Ath. Oxon. i. 645, and is * follows:-" Philip Stubbs or Stubbes, was born of genteel parents, but where, one of his descendants of both his names who is a vintner in London, [Philip Stubbs, a vintner, living in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft in London (note)] knows not, nor can he positively affirm whether he received his education in either of the universities or not. Be it known therefore, that he was mostly educated in Cambridge, but having a restless and hot head, left that university, rambled thro' several parts of the nation, and setled for a time in Oxon, particularly, as I conceive, in Glocester-hall, where a brother or near kinsman called Justinian Stubbs, M[aister] of A[rts] and a civilian, studied, by which name and titles I find him there in the beginning of 1589. This Ph. Stubbs was a most rigid Calvinist, a bitter enemy to popery, and a great corrector of the vices and abuses of his time; and tho' not in sacred orders yet the books he wrote related to divinity and morality, as the titles of them following partly shew." He then gives the titles of (b) the Two Judgments, 1581; (c) View of Vanity 1582; (e) Resary 1583; (d) Anatomy 1583, noting 'divers corrections in and additions to it;' (g) Theatre of the Pope's Monarchy 1584. oct.; (j) Perfect Path to Felicity 1592; (k) Motive to Good Works 1593; (?) "Praise and Commendation of Women, Printed in oct. This I have not seen, † and therefore I cannot give you a larger title." (i) "Christial glass for Christian Women. Lond. 1626." He then speaks of Stubbes's wife, and says, "Near of kin, if not brother, or father to this Philip, was Joh. Stubs of Lincolns-inn, gent. a most rigid puritan, author of A Discovery of a gaping Gulph for England. Printed 1579, oct.'

^{* &}quot;Ded to Phil. E. of Arundel; black letter, double pages 125. Printed by Ric. Jones. At the back of the last page is a wooden cut of a man in a gown, round bonnet, stooping, and holding a pair of gloves in his left hand. The book penes Mr. Lort of Trin. coll. Cambr., who in May 1772, gave 7s. 6d. for it at Mr. Joseph Hart's auction of books." Cole.

† Nor has any one else that I can hear of.

54* § 5. John Stubbe of the Gaping Gulfe, 1579.

Philip Stubbes, "near of kin, if not father or brother" of the noble Puritan, John Stubbe¹, (or Stubbes,) who in 1579 (not 1581) wrote against the proposd marriage of Queen Elizabeth with the Popish Duke of Anjou, the French King's brother—" The Discoverie of a Gaping Gulf whereunto England is like to be swallowed by another French Marriage, if the Lord forbid not the banes, by letting her Majestie see the sin and punishment thereof"; and who had his right hand chopt off with a butcher's knife and mallet² for his sensible

¹ See the interesting memoir of him in Cooper's Ath. Cant. ii. 111-12.

⁸ See Camden's Annales englisht, 1625, Bk. III. p. 14-16. His account is the best: "Her Maiestie likewise burned with choller that there was a booke published in print, inueighing sharply against the marriage, as fearing the alteration of Religion, which was intituled 'A gaping gulfe to swallow vp England by a French marriage.' In this Pamphlet the Priny Councillors which fauoured the Match were taxed of ingratitude to their Prince and Countrey: the Queene, as not vnderstanding well her selfe, by the way of flattery is tauntingly touched: the Duke d'Anjou and his country of France in contumelious tearmes shamefully reviled: the marriage condemned, for the diuersitie of Religions, by poisonous words and passages of Scripture, miserably wrested, would seem to proue that the Daughter of God, being to match with the sonne of Antichrist, it must needs bee the ruine of the Church, and pernicious to the State; neither would Queene Elizabeth bee perswaded that the Author of this booke had any other purpose, but to bring her into hatred with her subiects, and to open a gap to some prodigious innouation. . . .

"Since that, shee begunne to bee the more displeased with Puritans then shee had been before-time, perswading her selfe that such a thing had not passed without their priuitie: and within a few dayes after, Iohn Stubbes of Lincolnes Inne, a zealous professor of Religion, the Author of this Ralatiue Pamphlet (whose Sister, Thomas Cartwright the Arch-Puritan had married), William Page the disperser of the copies, and Singleton the Printer, were apprehended; against whom sentence was giuen, that their right hands should be cut off, by a law in the time of Philip and Marie against the Authors of Seditious Writings, and those that disperse them. Some lawyers storming hereat, said the iudgement was erroneous, and fetcht from a false observation of the time wherein the Statute was made, that it was onely temporarie, and that (Queene Marie dying) it dyed with her. Of the which Lawyers, one Dalton, for his clamorous speeches was committed to prison, and Monson, a Iudge of the Common-pleas, was sharply rebuked, and his place taken from him. . . .

"Not long after, [Nov. 3, 1579,* not 1581, as Stowe says, Annales, 1605, p. 1168], vpona Stage set vp in the Market-place at Westminster, Stubbes and Page had their right hands cut off by the blow of a Butchers knife, with a Mallet strucke through their wrests. The Printer had his Pardon. I can remember that, standing

^{*} See "His Wordes upon the Scaffolde when he lost his Haund on Tewsdaie, 3 November, 1579." In Nuga Antiqua.—Cooper.

§ 6. Stubbes's Works in the Stationers' Regis

and manly tract. But Mr. Henry Stubbes of Danby, Bal has a copy of the wills of the righthandless John Stubfather, John Stubbe of Buxton, Norfolk, and in neither is there any mention of Philip Stubbes.)

§ 6. Stubbes's Works. Of these, eleven have survived in title, and eight in copies. Of the eleven only six, eight only five, were entered on the Stationers' Register trust my search through the second volume of the (alas! Transcript of Mr. Arber. They are:—

Bichard
Licenced vnto | 1 vnder thandes of the
LONDON and b | 1 the wardens. The Annual parameters | 1 the wardens | 1 the wardens | 1 the wardens | 1 the wardens | 2 the war

by Iohn Stubbes, so soone as his right hand was off, put off his hat with his left, and cryed aloud, God saue the Queene. The people round about him stood mute, whether stricken with feare at the first sight of this strange kind of punishment, or for commiseration of the man whom they reputed honest, or out of a secret inward repining they had at this marriage, which they suspected would be dangerous to Religion." Sir Walter Scott and Macaulay have word-painted the scene.

The 8vo mentiond by Antony Wood, The Praise and Commendation of Women, is not reckond in the 11, as I doubt the author of The Anatomie, Part I., which scarified women so, ever having written a 'Praise' of Women in general, the he did praise his own dead wife. Moreover, we've no record of the Praise book being seen by any one; and none of the long list of books on Women in Mr. Hazlitt's Handbook, and Collections and Notes suits Wood's title except 'to y Prayse of Good women,' ye xiiij chapter of ye Proverbis, licenst to John Alde in 1568 (Arber's Transcript, i. 378), which is too early for Stubbes. 'The Praise and Dispraise of Women' in 1579 won't of course do.

I don't think—as Mr. Reardon did, Old Sh. Soc. Papers, iii. 15; and Mr. Collier, Bibl. Cat., ii. 399—that Gabriel Harvey necessarily meant to include Stubbes in "the common Pamfletters of London" (p. 42*, l. 9 above), or we might suppose that many of Stubbes's works have been lost. There is no "other" before Harvey's "common," as there ought to be if Mr. Reardon's and Mr. Collier's view were right; and against it, is also Harvey's after praise of Stubbes for his filed lines (p. 43* above). Harvey meant to distinguish Stubbes from the "common Pamfletters," not confuse him with em.

56* § 6. Stubbes's Works in the Stationers' Registers.

1583. 25 Eliz. Septimo Die Nouembris/

William wright.

Licenced vnto him vnder the wardens handes The second parte of Thanotomye of Abuses 1. . . vjd

Transcript, ii. 428.

1591. An. Eliz. 33°. xvto Junij

Richard Jones./

1593. An. Eliz. 35th. xiiijth. die Octobris/

Thomas Man./ [Assignment.] 1594. An. 36 Eliz. vltimo Maij

James Robertes Entred for his copies by order of Court Certens Copies whiche were John Charlewoodes / Saluo Jure Cuius-cunque xiii^a iiij^d C

The Rosary of Christian Praiers

Transcript, ii. 651.

a. But Stubbes had begun printing as early at least as 1581, when (or earlier) he issued a broadside, with a woodcut, "A fearefull and

1 "9 Augusti [1596].

Chomas

Entred for his Copie in full Court holden this Day. These ffyve Copies whiche were assigned from William wright to Thomas Scarlet, and from Thomas Scarlet to the said Thomas Grede

ijs vjd

. . . Item the second parte of the Anatomye of abuses called the Displaye of Corruptions." Transcript, iii. 68.

3 iijo Julij [1596].

master Whyte warden Entred for his Copyes these thinges followinge, viz. Catheryne Stubes, vjd (with The scole of vertue, vjd; Twenty Orders of Calettes and Drabes, vjd... The ffyve and Twentye orders of knaues, vjd.)

Transcript, iii. 187.

Edward White's estate in 'Katherine Stubes' was assignd to Master Pauier and John Wright on Dec. 13, 1620 (Trans. iv. 44), and Pavier's share was, after his death, assignd by his widow to Edward Brewster and Robert Birde (Transcript, iv. 164-5).

terrible Example of Gods iuste iudgement executed vpon a lewde Fellow, who vsually accustomed to sweare by Gods Blood: which may be a Caueat to all the World that they blaspheme not the name of their God by Swearing. [Colophon] Finis. Philip Stubbes. Imprinted at London for W. Wright, and are to be Sold at his shop in the Poultrie." Reprinted by Mr. J. P. Collier in his "Broadside Black-letter Ballads, printed in the 16th & 17th Centuries, chiefly in the possession of J. Payne Collier," 4°, 1868, p. 42—7. This is a ballad of 102 lines (25 verses, and a tag) of 7-measure or 14-syllable couplets, describd by Stubbes at p. 135 below, as telling the awful end of "a certaine yong man dwellyng in Enlocnilshire, in Ailgna, (whose tragicall discourse I my self penned about two yeares agoe, referring you to the said booke for the further declaration thereof) who was alwaies a filthie swearer: his common othe was by Gods bloud."

The story being given at p. 135 below, I quote only a few verses of the ballad from its second edition in the Lambeth Library (sign. B. i. and B. ii.), to show the doggrel it is written in:—

"There is a towne in Lincolneshire, which Bothbie hath to name, Just three miles distant from Grantam, a towne of auncient fame.

(4

Wherein there dwels a Gentleman, the truthe for to decyde,
Who Frauncis Penell called is, this may not be denyed.

It pleased God this Gentleman, into his house did hyre
A Seruingman t'atende him on, borne in Worstershire.

16

(5)

Which sayd youngman inclyned was, vnto a thing not good, As for to sweare by Christ his flesh, and by his precious blood. 18

(12)

He had no sooner spoke these wordes, which I have shewed to you, But that a-pace his heart blood did, foorth of his boody flowe; 46 For why, out of his fingers endes, his blood did streame full faste; So did it foorth at his toes endes, which made them all agaste. 48

¹ Hazlitt's Collections and Notes, p. 410, col. 1, from which, and Hazlitt's Handbook, most of the after titles, &c., are given.

Thus died he, commmitting his soule to the furies fell,
Which doo possesse th' infernall gulfe and Laberinth of hell.
Than was his body straight interde, although (in trueth) forlorne,
For whome it had beene better farre, if he had not beene borne." 56
(Old) Shakespeare Society's Papers, IV. 77-9, 1849.

b. Stubbes's second known publication contains his first ballad, with a second like one in 114 long lines, couplets—probably first issued as a broadside too—and prose forewords and hindwords, the latter calld "An admonition to the Christian Readers, inferred vpon the two straunge Stratagems before passed." The whole forms a 4to pamphlet of ten leaves (A & B in fours, C in 2), of which there is a copy in the Lambeth Library, and a reprint by Mr. James Purcell Reardon in the *Papers* of the Old Shakespeare Society, IV. 73-88. The title is:—

"Two wunderfull and / rare Examples. / Of the vndeferred and present / approching iudgement of the Lord our God: the / one vpon a wicked and pernitious blasphe-/mer of the name of God, and seruaunt / to one Maister Frauncis Pennell, / Gentleman, dwelling at Booth-/bie, in Lincolnshire, three / myles from Grantham./ The other vpon a vvoman, named / Ioane Bowser, dwelling at Donnington, in Lei-/cestershire, to whome the Deuill verie / straungely appeared, as in the dis-/course following, you may / reade. In Iune last. 1581. / VVritten by Phillip Stubbes. / Imprinted at London for / VVilliam VVright, and are to be solde at / his shoppe in the Poultrie: the middle / shoppe in the rowe, adioyning to / Saint Mildreds Church./"

The story of the second ballad is told in the prose forewords, sign. A, iij, (p. 75-6, Sh. Soc.): how in Donnington, Leicestershire, there

"dwelled a poore man named Iohn Twell, who deceased, owing unto one Oswald Bowcer the summe of fiue shilling, which the sayde Oswalde did forgiue the sayde man before named, as he lay vpon his death bedde; but the sayde Oswaldes wife, called Ioane, would in no wise forgiue the sayde Twell as long (she sayde) as she had day to liue. Wherevpon, not long after, the Deuill appeared vnto her in the forme of the sayd Twell, deceased, expressing all the lyneamentes of the body of the dead man . . . this euill spirit vttered unto her these speeches, and sayd he had brought her mony from Iohn Twell deceased, and willed her incontinent to disburse the sayd money vnto her husband for his paines. Which she, with

§ 6. Stubbes on Donnington, in his 2nd Ballad. 59*

as couetous a desire, receyued, saying, 'God thanke you.' She had no sooner named God, but the money consumed away from betweene her handes, as it were a vapour or smoake, tyll it was all consumed: wherwith the Deuill, giuing her a most fearefull and sore stroke,

vanished out of her sight.

"Wherewith her whole body, became as blacke as pitche, replenished all ouer with a most filthy scurffe and other thinges, which was so odious, as heere my pen for modesties sake leaueth to wright . . . her body was most straungely benummed, and her eyes closed vp from the benefite of the light. Thus remayning a certaine space, she confessed the hardnesse of her heart, and with great patience thanked God for his iudgementes bestowed on her. Wherevpon, to be breefe, it pleased God, seeing her repentaunce, to reuoke his Iustice, and to restore her vnto her former health, where she remayned, praysing the name of God for his great mercies bestowed upon her."

At the end of this ballad, Stubbes calls on Donnington to repent, and talks of the love he bears the town, as if he knew it well and had some connection with it. And as his objection to dancing and piping, which he shows in his *Anatomie*, comes out too, I quote a few lines from sign. B. iiij. back, and C. i.:—

"Therefore, thou Towne of Donington, I read thee to repent 83

God hath thee warned now by this, and that in freendly sorte, 87 To leave thy whoredome and thy pride, and all thy filthy sporte.

(23)

Abandon, then, out of thy streates, all mirthe and minstrelsie;
No Pipers, nor no Dauncers vile, in thee let extant be,
90
Remember thou thy lately plague, of blayne, of Botche, and Bile
[boil],

Whereby thy God did scourge thee sore, least synne should thee defile.

(24)

O Donington, fall not againe vnto thy vomite old;
In filthy, scurrile, bawdie talke, doo not thy selfe vphold;
Ne yet with vaine and bloody othes, doo not thy selfe imbrew, (p. 86)
For than the Lord will throwe thee downe amid the Deuils crew 96

The Rev. John G. Bourn, the Vicar of Castle Donnington near Derby has kindly searcht his Registers for 1550—1600, and finds no Stubbes or Bowcer entry, but one of John Twell (who may have been Stubbes's man), marrid 5 May 1567; John Twell baptizd 18 June 1583; John Twell son of John Twell, baptizd 1589, died (?) 25 March.

60* § 6. Stubbes's View of Vanitie; and Anatomie, Pt. 1.

And now, O gentle Donington, be mindefull yet of me
Who haue with paines contriued this same, for looue I beare to
thee.

(27)

Requite me not with wrath againe: that were disloyaltie, But see that thou accept hereof, as best beseemeth thee; And as a pledge of my good will, let this be vnto thee, Desiring God, that I thy state, in health and wealth may see."

- c. Of Stubbes's third publication, no copy is known. It was "A View of Vanitie, and Allarum to England or Retrait from Sinne, in English Verse by Phil. Stubs. London, by T. Purfoot. 1582. 8vo."
- d. His fourth was the famous Anatomie of Abuses, enterd in the Stationers' Registers on the 1st of March, and printed on the 1st of May, 1583, 125 leaves, small 8vo, here reprinted. The success of the book was so great that a second edition was "Printed at London, by Richard Iones. 16. August 1583. [Colophon] Perused, aucthorised, and allowed, accordyng to the order appoincted in the Queenes Maiesties Iniunctions. At London Printed by Richard Jones dwellyng at the Signe of the Rose and the Crowne, neere vnto Holborne Bridge. 1583." small 8vo, 133 leaves, black letter. (Collation: ¶, 4 leaves: B—R in eights, R 8 occupied by the colophon and device²). Copies are in the Grenville Library in the British Museum (collated for the present edition), in the Bodleian (Malone 526), and at Bridgewater House. In 1584, a third edition of the book was issued, "now newly reuised and recognized, and augmented the third time by the same Author [Quotations].
- ¹ There are 3 copies of it in the Bodleian,—Crynes 833, Tanner 120, 8°. S. 269. Art. Mr. F. Ouvry has the copies of the 1st and 2nd editions described by Mr. Collier in his *Bibl. Cat.* ii.
- ³ The woodcut on the last page is that of a man in a round cap and long gown, stooping, his arms both stretching to the left, with a glove in his left hand; whereas the woodcut at the end of the 1st edition is of a lady seated, and looking over her right shoulder, with a flower in her hand.
- ³ Formerly treated by Mr. Collier, and Mr. Hazlitt after him (and me after them), as 2 editions, the 3rd and 4th. Mr. C. (*Biol. Cat.* ii. 393) states that "the fourth edition, also dated 1584, is without any specification of the month. We have examined all anterior impressions of the book and their dates, so that we are in a condition to speak positively on the subject." But can one trust him?

§ 6. Stubbes's 4th Book, the Anatomie, Part 1. 61*

and Printed at London, by Richard Iones 12 October, 1584, 8° black letter¹"; this has A—R 4 in eights, says Mr. Hazlitt, the colophon on R 4 repeating the date of the year, but not the month. In 1585 the fourth edition came out, and was still calld the third ²: "now newly reuised recognized and augmented the third time by the same Author. . . 1585." (A copy is in the British Museum, and has been collated for the present edition.) Then came a stay for ten years, when the fifth edition (calld the fourth) was publisht, "Now, the fourth time, newly corrected and inlarged by the same Author. . . Imprinted at London by Richard Iohnes, at the sign of the Rose and Crowne, next aboue S. Andrewes Church in Holborne. 1595." 4to, 76 leaves. Of this edition two copies are in the Bodleian (Malone 527, and Tanner 120) and have been collated for the present book. Mr. Huth also has a copy.

Tho Mr. J. P. Collier has in his reprint of the Anatomie, A. 1583 (Introduction), and his Bibliographical Catalogue, ii. 402, tried to kill Stubbes in 1593 of the plague then raging in London, it is absolutely certain that he revised his Anatomie for the edition of 1595,³ and its title-page of that year leaves no doubt that he was not dead when it was issued. Also, if his Perfect Pathway of 1610 is not a reprint of an earlier edition, its fresh 15 Prayers were added by Stubbes alive then. The changes made in the Anatomie after its first publication were mainly 4 these:—

1. he left out of the 2nd and all after editions, his *Preface to the Reader*, in which he had said that he didn't want to put down all amusements, but only the abuses in them, and had allowd that some kind of Plays, dancing in private, and gaming that wasn't

¹ "A perfect copy in the original vellum wrapper has been recently discovered," Mr. Hazlitt tells me (Aug. 8, 1879), and is in the possession of Mr. A. Wallis, 88, Friar Gate, Derby, Editor of the *Derby Mercury*. Mr. Pyne has the imperfect copy mentiond in Mr. Hazlitt's *Collections and Notes*.

² The late Mr. Turnbull reprinted this, with a short Introduction.

³ See notes, p. iii, viii, ix, 50, 52, 53, &c., &c.

⁴ In F he left out his Latin verses, p. xiv, A. D.'s commendatory poem, p. xvii, and his own verses on 'The Avthor and his Booke,' p. xix-xx, below; in B,&c., he put in a poem by "C. B. In commendation of the Auctors lucubrations," p. xv-xvi, below.

62* § 6. Changes in the 2nd and 6th eds. of the Anatomie.

gambling, were innocent. He evidently wrote, and perhaps printed, this Preface before he wrote all his book, and then saw that it was more or less inconsistent with the book itself, which denounst Plays, &c., so fiercely, and calld out loudly for their abolition.

2. he put in the story at p. 71—3 of the Devil setting the Antwerp woman's ruff, and wringing her neck for it; the bit in p. 79 note, about Looking-glasses being the Devil's bellows; the 21 pages, p. 87-9, on the bad way in which women spend their days and meet their paramours in Gardens in the suburbs; the bit on p. 99 against allowing whoredom for a fine; the stories in 111—13 of the Devil burning up the 7 Swabian drunkards, and on 113-14 of the awful end of the 2 Dutch drunkards; the new chapter, of 7 pages in our text, on Greate Swearyng in Ailgna, p. 129-136, and the instance of the English Jew who fell into a privy on his Sabbath, and died there rather than 'break or violate the Lordes Sabbaoth,' p. 139. Some fresh sidenotes were added in B 1583, E 1585, and F 1595 (or the uncollated edition of 1584): see p. 41, 53, 62, 63, 81, 82, 83, 87, 103, 111-14, 122, 130-6, &c.; and some fresh chapter-headings. The worth of the Anatomie is too well known to need any dwellingon by me, and so are the strength and raciness of Stubbes's wordsthe ruffs that go flip-flap in the wind, and lie on men's shoulders like the dish-clout of a slut (p. 51), the women who are 'puppits or maumets of rags and cloutes compact together' (p. 75), the boys who care for nothing, so that they have 'their pretie pussie to huggle withall' (p. 97), the usurer, 'thou Deuill, for I dare not call thee a man' (p. 127), the dancers, 'what kissing and bussing, what smouching and slabbering one another' (p. 155), the minstrels who pipe up a dance to the devil (p. 172), the football players, when two charge one, 'to hit him vpon the hip, and to pick him on his neck, with a hundred such murdering deuiees' (p. 184), the 'vgglesome monsters and Deuills ' (p. 188), &c, &c.

Another change that Stubbes made in his 1595 edition (our F) was of his earlier inkhorn terms into simpler ones. Here are a few instances taken at random:—

A. tractation F. discourse

A. preparaunce
F. great preparation

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§ 6. Changes of inkhorn words used in the 1583 ed. A. 63*			
A. momentaine 1 F. momentary	15 A	introite entrance	154
A. acuate 128 r F. whette	28 A F	instinction [on-pricking] instinct	157
A. implicate r F. entangled	29 A F.	preter time former ages	157
A. denegers of (the faithe) 1 F. reprobates concerning	34 A F.	quauemire or plash 159, quagmire or puddle	168
A. abdicate (themselves) 1 F. abandon		obtuse d dulled	161
A. evacuate r F. haue discended		babish ` wanton	161
A. God his (left at 189) 1 F. Gods		distincted distinct 1	165
A. exordium 145, 1 F. original	54 A F.	victimats and holocaustes and oblations	168
A. procliue r F. prone	46 A F.	Hethenicall 168, Heathnish	177
A. allections 146, 1 F. enticements	55 A. F.	auditorie hearers	169
A. instinction r F. instinct		fucate counterfeit	174
A. exterior action 1 F. outward show	52 A F.	promulgat published	176
A. templaries & oratories 1 F. temples and churches	·	vendicate commend- ations	177
A. saturitie 1. F. fulnesse	33 A.	challenge rewards adnull	178
A. determinat r F. prefixed	33 A		181
A. circumvalled 153, 1 F. compassed about	A	F	182
A. concions r F. preachings	54 F.	annoying consummate 183, ended	191

But he has left amarulent, 147; alatrate, 149; conculcate, 183, &c.; and in one case he has turned the simpler trinckets of A, 82, to supellectiles in E and F: probably more of like kind occur. In F, too, Stubbes gave up his absurd way in A of spelling certain

^{1 &#}x27;Distincted' is left in F. 156.

64 § 6. Stubbes's Rosarie, Anatomie II, against Papists.

proper names backwards: Ailgna, for Anglia, England; Eprautna (71), for Antwerp; Lewedirb (100), for Bridewell; Munidnol (59), for Londinum, London; Ainatirb (21), for Britannia; Ratsurb (100), for Brustar; Enlocalishire (135), for Lincolneshire; Notelgnoc for Congleton (136), &c. Erichsseheshire for Cheshire (135) he had given up in E (1585) or before.

e. Stubbes's fifth book was "The Rosarie of Christian Praiers and Meditations for divers Purposes, and at divers Times, as well of the day as of the Night, by Phill. Stubbes. Lond. by Iohn Charlewood, 1583, 18mo." It was enterd in the Stationers' Register on Aug. 3, 1583, and assignd to James Roberts on May 31, 1594, but no copy is now known.

f. Stubbes's sixth book was the "The / Second part / of the Anatomie of / Abuses, conteining The display / of Corruptions, with a perfect de-/scription of such imperfections, blemi-/shes, and abuses, as now reigning in eue-/rie degree, require reformation for feare / of Gods vengeance to be powred vpon/ the people and countrie, without / speedie repentance and con/uersion vnto God: made/dialogwise by Phil-/lip Stubbes. / Except your righteousnes exceed London, Printed by Ro[ger] W[ard] for William Wright,/ and are to be sold at his shop ioining / to S. Mildreds Church in the/ Poultrie, being the mid-/dle shop in the rowe." [1583]. A—P in eights: a little 8vo of 5½ inches high by 35/8ths broad, 2 copies at Lambeth, 1 in the Grenville Library, Brit. Mus., 1 in the Bodleian, &c. As I've already given the list of this book's subjects (p. 36*), and mean to print it for the Society, I need say no more about it now. It was enterd in the Stationers' Registers in Nov. 7, 1583.

In the 1583 edition of Foxe's Martyrs ('Ecclesiastical History Actes and Monumentes,' &c.), the following eight lines of Stubbes's, on the Papist Bloodsuckers or Leeches, appeard at the end of the commendatory Poems, sign. ¶ iiij. They are not in the edition of 1570, but are repeated in that of 1596:—

"In sanguisugas Papistas, Philippus Stubbes.

Vi sacrum Christi satagit conuellere verbum, Vulnificum contrà calcitrat hic stimulum,

§ 6. Stubbes's Popes Monarchie, & Parry's Treason. 65*

Florida quæ nimio compresse est pondere palma, Fortius exurgit viribus aucta suis. Auricomansque crocus quo calcatur magis, exit Hoc magis, excrescit, floret, eoque magis. Sic Ευαγγελιον quantumuis turba papalis Conspuat, exurat, crescit, vbique tamen.

Finis."

- g. Of the seventh book: "The Theatre of the Popes Monarchie. by Phil. Stubbes. Lond. for Henry Carre. 1584. 8vo," no copy is known.
- h. His eighth, a 4to tract of 4 leaves, is represented by copies in the Lambeth and Huth Libraries, and was reprinted (with a few changes) by Mr. Reardon in the Old Shakespeare Society's Papers, iii. 17—21:

"The / Intended Trea-/son, of Doctor Parrie: / and his Complices, A-/gainst the Queenes moste / Excellent Maiestie. / With a Letter sent from the Pope / to the same effect. / Imprinted at London / for Henry Car, / and are to be solde / in Paules Church-yard at the Signe / of the Blazing Starre. /" (1585.)

This little tract must have been written between Febr. 25, 1585, when Stubbes says that Parry "was conuaied from the Tower of London to Westminster Hall, where he was arraigned according to the lawe in that case prouided," and March 2, when he was hangd.¹ The object of the tract was to state Parry's crime, to print the Pope's letter to him—'written by the Cardinall of Como'—encouraging him to his crime, and granting him plenary indulgence and remission of all his sins, and to make Englishmen hate the Pope and papists:—

"One Doctor Parrie, Doctor of the Ciuil Law, being (though beyond his deserts) very deer vnto her maiestie, and wel liked of, was by her grace sent ouer Seas in very waightie affaires, which he wel atchiuing, returned home, and no doubt was bountefully rewarded of her grace for his seruice and paines sustained: within a while after, this Doctor Parrie, vnwoorthy the name of a doctor or of a Christian, conspired the death of her maiestie, hauing

¹ And, as Stowe says in his *Annales* (1605), p. 1180, "The 2. day of Marche [1584—5] William Parry was drawne from the Tower through the city of London to Westminster, and there in the palace court, hanged, bowelled, and quartered for high treason, as may appeare by a booke extant, intituled 'A true and plaine declaration of the horrible treasons practised by W. Parry' &c. & I have set downe the same booke in the continuance of Reine Woolfe's Chronicle" [calld by us, Holinshed's, ed. 1587, vol. ii. p. 1382—95].

66* § 6. Stubbes's Parry's Treason, & Life of his Wife.

receiued his fees of the Pope (as it should seem) for the same. For the accomplishing of which moste hainous fact, he, with another, determined to kill her maiestie, sometimes with a Dag, 1 sometimes with a Poynado or dagger, sometime with one thing, and sometimes with an other. Wel, this platforme being laid, and he hauing promised the Pope to performe the thing, one of his conspirators, through the goodnes of God, disclosed the same; which doon, both he and the said archtraitor Parrie were both apprehended and committed, and vpon the 25 of Februarie the said Parrie was conuaied from the Tower of London to Westminster hall, where he was arraigned according to the lawe in that case prouided sign. A. ij. (p. 18).

"What good subject, now, knowing the Pope and papists to be the instruments of all mischeef, of blood and of treason, wil not abhor and detest the one & y* other? (A. iij. back, p. 20). . . . take this for a Maxime, that all papists are traitors in their harts, how soeuer otherwise they beare the world in hand (p. 20) . . . blood, treason, rebellion, insurrections, commotions, mutenies, murther, and the like, are the badges and cognizaunce of them, and of that wicked generation; and let vs look for it, they wil be pricks vnto our eyes, whips unto our backs, and kniues to cut our throts withall, if time would serue them, which I pray God neuer doo" (sign. A. iiij.—p. 21).

i. Stubbes's ninth book was his Life of his Wife, or Christal Glasse for Christian Women, 1591, enterd on the Stationers' Registers on June 15, 1591. Mr. Henry Pyne has been kind enough to lend me his unique copy of the first edition.² From it the part in which Stubbes describes his wife and her relation to him, is printed below, p. 195—208, the doctrinal part being left out. That Stubbes lovd his young wife, and did his duty by her, is clear. The picture of the stern grave husband and the sweet girl-wife looking up to him, never contrarying him, but gently persuading, listening to his exposition of Holy Writ, is surely one grateful to the mind, notwithstanding its dark background of hard religionism.

- j. Stubbes's tenth book is also in part reprinted below, p. 209.
- "A perfect Pathway / to Felicitie,/ Conteining godly / Meditations, and prai-/ers, fit for all times, and / necessarie to be prac-/tized of all good / Christians./ Imprinted at Lon-/don by Richard Yardly / for Humfrey Lownes" / 1592./. My copy, believed to be

¹ Pistole: F. A Pistoll; a great (horsemans) Dag. . Pistolet; m. A Pistolet; a Dag, or little Pistoll—1611. Cotgrave.

² The 2nd edition, 1592, is in the Huth Collection. The tract was printed as late as 1658. Of that edition I have a copy.

§ 6. Stubbes's Pathway, and Motive to good Workes. 67*

unique, is imperfect. It is a little squarish book, much cut down, of 318 in. high, by 22 broad, every page having a printed border. Collation: ¶ in 8, and A to P in 8s; no doubt the last three leaves, and perhaps ¶ 1 too, were blank. The Contents of it are printed below, p. 210 and p. 212, the titles of the missing Prayers being given from the only other edition known to me, that of 1610, the only known copy of which the late Mr. Henry Huth, with his never-failing friendship, lent me. This 1610 edition has 15 more Prayers than that of 1592—their titles are given at the foot of p. 212,—and I suppose that Stubbes livd till 1610 to write them. The 20 pages of Prayers, &c., reprinted below, are from the 1610 edition, as the 1592 one did not turn up till after my pages were cast. I chose those Prayers which interested me most—not forgetting that on p. 220-1 below, which mentions 'those fleas and gnats' that in bed did bite the skin of Stubbes, as their fellows must have done that of Shakspere. These Prayers convinct me that their writer was a pureminded earnest man, not only a bitter railer. Taking them with the other works, I cannot but feel a real respect for Stubbes: and all who wish to understand him should read them.

- k. Of the eleventh and last known work of Stubbes, only one copy seems to have been lately extant, and that belongd to Mr. J. P. Collier, but has (he says) been stolen from him. He thus describes it in his Bibliographical Catalogue, ii. 400-1:—
- "A Motive to good Workes. Or rather, to true Christianitie indeede. Wherein by the waie is shewed, how farre wee are behinde, not onely our forefathers in good workes, but also many other creatures in the endes of our creation: with the difference betwixt the pretenced good workes of the Antichristian Papist, and the good workes of the Christian Protestant.—By Phillip Stubbes, Gentleman.—Matthew. 5. verse 16. Let your light so shine, &c.—London, Printed for Thomas Man, dwelling in Pater Noster rowe, at the signe of the Talbot. 1593. 8vo. 114 leaves.

"In quoting the sacred text, which the author chose as the motto of his book, it is singular that he, or his printer, should have left out

so important a word as 'good' before 'workes.'

"This is the only copy of the book that we ever met with: Lowndes originally mentioned it, and the short title is given in the new edition, p. 2539; but in both it is erroneously dated 1592: it is entirely prose.

68* § 6. Stubbes's 11th book, A Motive to good Workes.

"Stubbes, in his dedication, tells Cuthbert Buckle, Lord Mayor of London for the year, that 'he took his gelding about the Annunciation of S. Mary last past1,' and made a journey, which lasted about three months, into various parts of the kingdom, partly for pleasure, and partly to avoid the infection of the then raging plague. As he subscribes it 'from my lodging by Cheapside, 8 of November, 1503' we may conclude that by that date the virulence of the disorder had considerably abated. He complains that he every where found the country fertile and beautiful, but the people utterly unworthy of it -a deplorable deficiency of good workes, and a lamentable decay of hospitals, almshouses, churches, schools, &c. His object in writing his book is therefore evident, and in a brief address 'to the courteous Reader' he apologises for the unadorned plainness of his style:—'I have not desired to be curious, neither to affect filed phrases, culled or picked sentences, nor yet loftie, haughtie or farre fetched epithetes.

"Considering the purpose for which the author travelled, we might reasonably expect some minute and interesting details of what he saw in the country nearly three centuries ago; but we have little beyond general invective and pious lamentation over the prevailing vices, until we arrive at p. 184, where remarks are made upon the facility with which a license was obtained for a worthless or immoral book, while permission to publish a religious or meritorious work was long delayed. As this is a point which he had touched upon in his 'Anatomy of Abuses [p. 185, below]' we transcribe only a few sentences: he says—

'I cannot a lyttle mervayle that our grave and reverend Bishops, and other inferiour magistrates and officers, to whom the oversight and charge of such things are committed, will either license (which I trust they do not, for I wyll hope better of them) or in anie sorte tollerate such railing libels and slanderous pamphlets as have beene of late published in print, one man against another, to the great dishonour of God, corruption of good manners, breach of charitie, and in a worde to the just offence and scandall of all good Christians. And truely, to speake my conscience freely, I thinke there cannot a greater mischiefe be suffered in a common wealth, than for one man to write against another, and to publish it in print to the viewe of the world.'

"In this passage we can scarcely fail to observe an allusion to the very personal controversy about this date so vigorously carried on, through the medium of the press, between Nash and Harvey. The Martin-marprelate feud was also then at its height, and Stubbes, as a zealous Puritan, sincerely sympathised with his pen-persecuted brethren.² He proceeds:—

1 25 March, 1593.

And had a direct personal feeling about it besides: see Nashe's attacks on him, p. 37*—41* above. But it is surely to Stubbes's credit that (so far as we know) he didn't, like Galriel Harvey, answer Nashe's personal railing by personal railing, as he could easily have done, but protested against the practice. It's a height of virtue which I have not yet reacht.

§ 6. Stubbes's Motive, 1593. § 7. His Character. 69*

'I wis, the noble science of printing was not given us to that end, being indeede one of the chiefest blessings that God hath given to the sons of men heere uppon earth. For is not this the next way to broach rancor, hatred, malice, emulacion, envie and the like amongst men? Nay, is not this the next1 way to make bloudshed and murther, to rayse up mutenies, insurrections, commotions and rebellions in a Christian commonwealth? and therefore I would wish both the bookes and the authors of them to be utterly suppressed for ever, the one by fire, and the other by the halter or gallowes, if nothing else will serve. But what should I say? I cannot but lament the corruption of our time, for (alas) now adayes it is growen to be a hard matter to get a good booke licensed without staying, peradventure, a quarter of a yeare for it; yea, sometimes two or three yeares before he can have it allowed, and in the end happly rejected too; so that that which many a good man hath studyed sore for, and traveyled long in, perchance all the dayes of his life, shall be buryed in silence, and smothered up in forgetfulness, and never see the light; whilest in the meane tyme other bookes, full of all filthines, scurrilitie, baudry, dissolutenes, cosonage, conycatching and the lyke (which all call for vengeance from heaven) are either quickely licensed, or at least easily tollerate, without all denyall or contradiction whatsoever.'

"At all events Stubbes had not much reason to complain of delay: he collected his materials in the summer of 1593, wrote his book on his return in November, and published it, duly registered

[Oct. 14] and licensed, before the end of the year.

"He is especially vehement on the neglected and ruinous state of the churches in the country and does not spare the Roman Catholics and Jesuits for their many attempts on the Queen's life, enumerating Parry (about whom he had himself written), Somerville, Arden, Throckmorton and Babington as among the principal offenders." 2

§ 7. Stubbes's Character. On Sunday, July 17, 1575, and the Tuesday after, the Coventry folk, led by the great Captain Cox, playd before Queen Elizabeth at Kenilworth, their Hock-Tuesday Play, of how the English men and women drove out the Danes, A.D. 1012. They had been wont to act the play yearly in their city, but it had been "of late laid dooun, they knu no cauz why, onless it wear by the zeal of certain theyr Preacherz: men very commendabl for their behauiour and learning, & sweet in their sermons, but sumwhat too sour in preaching awey their pastime." Now something of this kind may, I think, fairly be said of Stubbes. Tho his

1 next is the contraction of 'nighest,' as hext of 'highest.'

² Captain Cox or Laneham's Letter, p. 27 of my edition for the Ballad Society. Who'll give us £35, to issue it for the New Shakspere Society?

² On p. 402, Mr. Collier, besides trying to take a dozen or more years off Stubbes's life by making him die of the plague in 1593, thinks "It is rather singular that in the [Motive to Good Workes, 1593] Stubs says nothing of the death of his wife which had occurred on the 14th December preceding," or 1592. But 1590 was the year of Katherine Stubbes's death: see p. 195 below.

Anatomie can't be calld a 'sweet' book, yet his purpose in writing it was a righteous one:—

"Wherefore I will assay to doe them good (if I can) in discouering their abuses, and laying open their inormities, that they, seeing the greeuousnes of their maladies, and daunger of theyr diseases, may in time seeke to the true Phisition and expert Chirurgion of their soules, Christ Iesus, of whome onelie commeth all health and grace, and so eternally be saued." p. 26 below.

And tho he cut out in after editions, the moderate and sensible *Preface to the Reader*, p. x—xiii below, which he wrote to his first edition, yet there stands his declaration of his meaning in the book, that it was the abuse, not the use, of amusements that he condemnd: "take away the abuses, the thinges in themselues are not euill; being vsed as instruments to Godlynes, not made as spurres vnto vice. There is nothing so good but it may be abused; yet, because of the abuses, I am not so strict that I wold have the things themselues remooued, no more than I wold meat and drinke, because it is abused, vtterly to be taken away." p. xii; see too p. x.

And granting that Stubbes went beyond this limit in the body of his book, yet one knows that the evils he was denouncing were real sores in the common weal, and one sees how easily he, believing that the Day of Doom was close at hand (p. 187), would be led to speak, maybe too sharply, of the ridiculous petty vanities and fooleries that were going on daily and hourly around him. There was something better for English men and women to do in Shakspere's days than dress themselves like 'a dog in a doublet,' and paint themselves like harlots; and if Stubbes while calling on

¹ I attach no value whatever to Mr. Collier's suggestion that Stubbes withdrew his Preface on account of the issue of 'a public order . . forbidding the profanation of Sunday by the representation of plays and interludes.' Why should this make him withdraw his moderate Preface, and yet make him maintain his fierce attack on Sunday plays in the after part of his book? And I suppose that the following paragraph is due to that imagination of Mr. Collier's which gave us his versions of the Alleyn letters (Audelay and Harman, E. E. T. S. xxv), Blackfriars petitions, &c: "We can readily believe that, considering the offence it had given at Court and elsewhere, he [Stubbes] was glad also to omit what he had said, in the first instance, on the subject of indecency and extravagance in dress." Biol. Cal. ii. 394. The denouncings are made fiercer, if anything, in the 2nd edition; the Preface is withdrawn only because it weakend the attack in the text.

§ 8. Queen Elizabeth's Procession in 1600. 71*

them to do this better thing, also calld them idiots, and all the hard names he could lay his tongue to, let us hold that he was right in his main purpose, if he errd somewhat in his way of carrying it out.

And if we read his meditations and prayers, and give him credit—as we surely may—for trying to do and be, from dawn till sleep came upon him, what he askt others to pray to do and be, in their daily life, I do not think we shall deny to Philip Stubbes a pure spirit, an earnest soul, a longing to be one with God, and fit himself and the world around him for the habitation of the Holy One, in whom he with his whole heart believd.

§. 8 Miscellaneous. a. The illustrations. As Stubbes writes so much about the dress of his period, I thought our members—the foreign and colonial ones especially—would like to have some authentic reproductions of trustworthy specimens of that dress: hence our héliogravure (by M. Dujardin) of Virtue's large engraving of Queen Elizabeth's Herbert Procession in 1600, from Lord Ilchester's picture, and the other cuts from Planché's late work on Costume. For the Ballad cuts that follow the above, I cannot claim equal authority; but as they could be had for the price of the casts of them, they were added, and Mr Ebsworth has been so kind as to write an interesting Memorandum on them.

The cause of Elizabeth's Procession was her going to the marriage of Lord Herbert and Miss Anne Russell. A short notice of the event is given, says Mr. G. Scharf (*Archaol. Journal*, xxiii, 231), in the *Sidney Papers*, ii, 203:—

[&]quot;Rowland White to Sir Robert Sidney, June 23, 1600:-

[&]quot;This day se'night her Majesty was at Blackfriars to grace the marriage of Lord Harbert and his wife. The bride met the Queen at the water-side, where my Lord Cobham had prouided a lectica, made like a litter, whereon she was carried to my Lady Russell's by six knights. Her Majesty dined there, and at night went through Dr. Puddins (Sir Wm. Paddy's house) who gave the Queen a fanne to my Lord Cobham's, where she supped . . . Her Majesty upon Tuesday came backe againe to the court."

p. 137: "It may be observed, with reference to the costume of the Queen, that the wide-spreading, radiating ruff, open in front so as to show the neck, appears to be a peculiarity of the Queens latest

¹ Litera, a horselytter, Lectica. 1591. R. Perciuale. Spanish Dict.

years. The open neck was more particularly reserved for unmarried ladies. It does not appear either in pictures or on coins of this reign bearing dates earlier than 1601. Most of the portraits of the Queen, on the coinage especially, exhibit her wearing a small ruff, carried completely round and supported by a high stiff band or collar belonging to the dress, such as was worn during the reign of her predecessor. In this picture, however, a second minor ruff also appears, passing immediately under the chin, and corresponds exactly with a small frill in Lord Salisbury's curious portrait, exhibiting the robe embroidered with eyes and ears. No. 267 of the Kensington Portrait Exhibition."

"All the noblemen's cloaks are black satin, and of the short Spanish cut. All legs are remarkably thin. The shoes are uniformly white, with ties of the same colour on the instep. All the courtiers, with the exception of the Earl of Cumberland, wear full-spreading

lace-ruffs." Scharf, p. 143. The bride is in white.

As to the house in the background, the antiquary whose loss we all so lament, Mr. J. G. Nichols, said (Arch. Journal, xxiii, 302) that he

- "... did not attribute much reality to the landscape in the background, except that it may give a general idea of the detached buildings then existing in the fields and gardens on the Surrey side of the river. He regarded the grand house immediately behind the figures as the mansion of Lord Cobham, in which the Queen was entertained, notwithstanding that the procession is represented as already passing it by. This house, after the attainder of Lord Cobham in 1603, passed to Lord Hunsdon, and then acquired the name of Hunsdon House,—whence the confusion with the Queen's visit to Hunsdon House in Hertfordshire. . . . Inquiry being made where the house stood, Mr. Nichols replied that he believed very near the site of the famous Blackfriars Theatre (shown in the map by Playhouse Yard), in which Shakspeare was a partner: subsequently occupied by the Kings Printing-office, and now by that of the Times newspaper in Printing-house Square."
- b. The Extracts from Stubbes's other works are added to enable the reader to judge Stubbes's character better than the Anatomie alone allows them to do, and for the picture of his girl wife,—a bride at between 14 and 15, dead between 18 and 19,—and their marrid life. Her doctrinal belief I have left out.

The Extracts from Bp. Babington are given, to show how a grave Churchman in high place in Elizabeth's reign spoke of the social

¹ But in 1598, when Hentzner saw Elizabeth at Greenwich, "Her bosom was uncovered, as all the English ladies have it, till they marry." *Harrison*, I. lxxvi.

§ 8. Naogeorgus's Popular Superstitions. This Book. 73*

ills of which Stubbes complains, so that the reader may judge, from them and the other extracts in the Notes, how little or how much Stubbes exaggerates. That I could have three- or four-folded the testimony borne by these extracts, and those in the Notes, every student of the literature of the time knows.

- c. The Fourth Book of Kirchmaier's (or Naogeorgus's) Regnum Papismi, as englisht by Barnabe Googe in 1570, is reprinted here, because it deals with many of the superstitious customs against which Stubbes writes, and also because I believe many of our members must have often desird with me, to see the whole of the Book in which the passages occur that have so often informd and interested them in Brand (Popular Antiquities, ed. Ellis, ed. Hazlitt). This fourth Book of Kirchmaier's easily lifts out of The Popish Kingdome, the rest of which, tho' it abuses the Papists, isn't lighted by nearly so much of the church- and folk-lore that make the fourth Book of such worth to us now.
- d. The present Edition of the Anatomie (Part I) is the second reprint of Stubbes's first edition of May 1, 1583, Mr. J. Payne Collier's reprint in 1869 (with a few mistakes) being the first. As above noted, p. 61, note 2, the late Mr. W. D. Turnbull 1 re-edited in 1836, Stubbes's fourth edition of 1585, wrongly calld the third. That the worth of the book deserved more reprints, is clear; but as Harrison's Description of England was never reprinted separately, 2 till our Society did part of it in 1877-8, we cannot wonder at the fewness of the Anatomie's reprints.

Stubbes having so added to and changd this first edition, I thought it would be more interesting to print the text in its first state, and show all the changes in it, rather than to reprint the last edition of 1595, and note the earlier states of that. The only difficulty was, how to deal with the chapter on Swearing, and the other long additions of the second edition: I decided to put them in the text, between brackets, and with notes saying that they were insertions. Of no copy of the edition of 1584 (then considerd two

² Sir Hy. Ellis of course included it in his reprint of *Holinshed*.

¹ See Canon Simmons's note on him in *The Lay Folks' Mass Book*, Early English Text Society, 1879, p. lxvi.

74* Thanks to Helpers. Asking for Notes.

editions, p. 60° above, note 3) could I hear, and so I couldn't get it collated. For the copying and collations of the text I have to thank our helpers, Mr. George Parker and Miss Smith; for a great part of the Index, Mr. Sidney J. Herrtage and Mr. H. K. Deighton; for some aid in the Notes, Mr. W. G. Stone; for their details of Stubbes's family, Col. Chester and Mr. Henry Stubbes; for leave to have the englisht *Naogeorgus* out of the Cambridge University Library, Mr. Bradshaw, our great Chaucerian; for his Memorandum on the wood-cuts, Mr. Ebsworth—king, with Mr. Chappell, over Ballad-land;—for tidings of editions, Mr. W. C. Hazlitt; and for information about their paintings of Q. Elizabeth's Procession, Lord Ilchester and Mr. Digby.

For any further tidings about Stubbes or his lost books, I shall be greatly obliged, for use in my edition of *The Anatomie*, Part II.

3 St. George's Sq., N. W., July 20, 1879.

p. 52*. Mr. Henry Stubbes says: "I have had the Eltham Registers examined, and they contain a great number of Stubbs entries of the branch from which I am descended, from 1584 to 1650, and among them some Philips, but none whom I can identify as the Author."

p. 66°. Life of Wife.—Besides the witness that its many editions afford to the wide-spreadness of Stubbes's 'Life of his Wife,' we have other testimony in plays, &c., as for instance, in William Cartwright's *The Ordinary*, probably written in 1634, printed in 1651, Vicar Catchmey says—

"I shall live to see thee

Stand in a playhouse door with thy long box, Thy half-crown library, and cry small books:

'Buy a good godly sermon, gentlemen,'-

'A judgment shown upon a host of drunkards';

' A pill to purge out popery':

'The life and death of Katherine Stubbs,'"

in Hazlitt's *Dodsley*, xii. 272. And, as the note there says, 'Richard Brome, in his play of *The Antipodes*, act iii, sc. 2. [acted 1638, printed 1640] mentions this book in the following manner:—

"A booke of the godly life and death
Of Mistress Katherine Stubs, which I have turn'd
Into sweet meetre, for the vertuous youth,
To woe an ancient lady widow with."

'Again, Bishop Corbet, in his *Iter Boreale*, [? 1647] says—
"—And in some barn have cited many an author,

Kate Stubbs, Anne Ascue, or the Ladies daughter."

APPENDIX TO FOREWORDS.

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p. 11. "Apparell againe is another of the raging desires of Apparell. many. Euen a worlde it is to see howe all, as dead, doe tast no sinne in it, but spend, and spare not, what possible may be gotten to bestowe on it; yet what beginning had it? Was it not then inuented, when man had sinned, grieuouslie offended his God, and cast himselfe away both bodie and soule? Seeing then in our integritie it was not vsed, but after sinne, bestowed on man to hide his shame withall, what may it euer beate into vs, but our rebellion against the Lorde, our sinne and cursed disobedience? Howe should the sight of it and vse of it humble vs, and not puffe vs vp, seeing it plainely telleth vs, we are not as we were

¹ Dress, advantages of.—"Fastidious Brisk. Why, assure you, signior, rich apparel has strange virtues: it makes him that hath it without means, esteemed for an excellent wit: he that enjoys it with means, puts the world in remembrance of his means: it helps the deformities of nature, and gives lustre to her beauties; makes continual holiday where it shines; sets the wits of ladies at work, that otherwise would be idle; furnisheth your two-shilling ordinary; takes possession of your stage at your new play; and enricheth your oars, as scorning to go with your scull." 1598-1601. B. Jonson. Every Man in his Humour, II. ii. Works, i. 94. See too

[&]quot;Macilente. I was admiring mine own outside here,
To think what privilege and palm it bears
Here in the court! Be a man ne'er so vile,
In wit, in judgment, manners, or what else;
If he can purchase but a silken cover,
He shall not only pass, but pass regarded:
Whereas, let him be poor and meanly clad,

when no apparell was worne, and yet no shame thereby? Were it not monstrous pride, if a redeemed prisoner conditionally, that he should euer weare an halter, should waxe prowde of his halter? Mans apparell is the badge of a sinner, yea of a condemned and cursed sinner, state therefore the pride of it and delight in it, no doubt very monstrous before the Lorde, and hatefull. If euery silken sute and gorgeous gowne in Englande shrowded vnder it a saued soule, and a sanctified bodie in the sight of God, O, happie then England of all the nations vnder heauen. But if vnder such garded garments, may, and doeth lodge a body and soule abhorred of the Lorde, that in the day of wrath shall finde no fauour: then is it not apparell, that ought to be sought after, but in the day of iudgement how we may be saued."

p. 308. "As for filthines, foolish talking, iesting, and such like, they

p. 308. "As for filthines, foolish talking, iesting, and such like, they are thinges vncomelie for a Christian. Againe, vnchast bookes and wanton writinges, who knoweth not howe they tickle to vncleannes? and therfore both they and the reading of them forbidden in this lawe. Sixtly, too much showe in apparel, painting, tricking and trimming of our selues aboue conueniencie: it is a daungerous allurer of lust, and

therefore forbidden.

Que. I could wish yet a litle larger speach of apparell, because I see it is one of the wormes that wasteth at this day the common wealth, that decaieth hous-keeping, that maketh strait the hande of the master to his seruant, and the Lord to his tenant, and a thing, to

Though ne'er so richly parted •, you shall have
A fellow that knows nothing but his beef,
Or how to rince his clammy guts in beer,
Will take him by the shoulders or the throat,
And kick him down the stairs. Such is the state
Of virtue in bad clothes!"

ib. p. 108, col. 1.

¹ Thomas Lupton gives us the grasping landlord's remorse in hell, in—"A Dreame of the Devil and Dives, most terrible and fearefull to the servaunts of Satan, but right comfortable and acceptable to the chyldren of God &c.—Imprinted at London by John Charlewood for Henrie Car." (B. L. 8vo. 60

leaves, 1584. A copy at Lambeth.)

"Then, said Dives, wo woorth these rackte rentes, and unreasonable fines that shall purchase such a kingdome! I would to God I might chaunge my estate of that kingdome with the most vilest and basest cottage on the earth. When they came hyther, they will crie out and say, Wo woorth the time that ever we rackt our tenants, or tooke such fines to impoverishe them! wo woorth the tyme that ever wee were so greedie of money, and wo woorth the tyme that ever we consumed the same in gluttonous and excessive fare, in proude and sumptuous apparell, in playing of Dice, Cardes, or other games, and other worldly vanities! Wo woorth the tyme that we made our Sonnes ritch by making Tenaunts poore! But cursed be the time that we have made our Sonnes Lordes and Gentlemen on the earth, with the everlasting damnation of our owne bodies and soules in Hell! That proverbe may be truelie verifyed in us, which is Happie is that childe whose Father goath to the Devill. This will be theyr song when they come hither, but then they shall be without remedy, as I am." Collier's Bibl. Cat. i. 498.

[•] Endowd with parts or talents, learned, &c.

conclude, that the deere children of God cannot ouercome themselues in." 1

1 Apparel: (a) Women imitating men's dress: (b) Men's absurd Dress. Andrew Boorde's Cut of the naked Englishman, p. 249, below.

"For as man is Gods ape, striuing to make artificiall flowers, birdes, &c. like to the natural: So for the same reason are women, Mens Shee Apes, for they will not bee behind them the bredth of a Taylors yard (which is nothing to speake of) in anie new-fangled vpstart fashion. If men get vp French standing collers, women will have the French standing coller too: if Dublets with little thick skirts, (so short that none are able to sit vpon them), womens foreparts are thick skirted too: by surfetting vpon which kinde of phantasticall Apishnesse, in a short time they fall into the disease of pride: Pride is infectious, and breedes prodigilitie: Prodigalitie, after it has runne a little, closes vp and festers, and then turnes to Beggerie. Wittie was that Painter therefore, that when hee had limned, one of every Nation in their proper attyres, and beeing at his wittes endes howe to drawe an Englishman, At the last (to give him a quippe for his follie in apparell) drewe him starke naked, with Sheeres in his hand, and cloth on his arme, because none could cut out his fashions but himselfe (see p. 249, below).

"For an English-mans suite is like a traitors bodie that hath beene hanged, drawne, and quartered, and is set vp in seuerall places: his Codpeece is in Denmarke, the collor of his Duble[t], and the belly in France: the wing and narrowe sleeue in Italy; the short waste hangs ouer a Dutch Botchers stall in Vtrich: his huge floppes [slops] speakes Spanish: Polonia gives him the Boates: the blocke for his heade alters faster than the Feltmaker can fitte him, and thereupon we are called in scorne Blockheades. And thus we that mocke everie Nation, for keeping one fashion, yet steale patches from everie one of them, to peece out our pride, are now laughing stocks to them, because their cut so scuruily becomes vs." 1606. T. Decker. Seven Deadly Sinnes of London (Arber, 1879), p. 36-7.

Women. Tight waists.—"I have seene some swallow gravell, ashes, coales, dust, tallow, candles, and for the nonce, labour and toyle themselves to spoile their stomacke, only to get a pale-bleake colour. To become slender in wast, and to have a straight spagnolized body, what pinching, what girding, what cingling, will they not indure; Yea sometimes with yron-plates, with whale-bones and other such trash, that their very skin, and quicke flesh is eaten in and consumed to the bones: Whereby they sometimes worke their owne death." 1603. J. Florio. Montaigne's Essayes (ed. 1632), p. 133. [in French, 1580.]

The following sketch of a fop with a toothpick in his mouth and a flower in his ear (compare the picture in the Natl. Portrait Gallery) is from—"Laugh and lie downe: or The worldes Folly." (Printed at London for Jeffrey Chorlton, and are to be sold at his shop, at the great North dore of saint Paules.) 1605. 4to. B. L.

"The next was a nimble witted and glib-toung'd fellow, who, having in his youth spent his wits in the Arte of love, was now become the jest of wit; for his looks weere so demure, his words so in print, his graces so in order, and his conceites so in tune, that he was—yea, iwis, so was he, and that he was such a gentleman for a Jester, that the Lady Folly could never be better fitted for her entertainement of all straungers. The picktooth in the mouth, the flower in the

Charms, Gaming, and Cursing.

p. 158-9. "For sorcerie and witchcraft, charming and conjuring, am I able to say I have as earnestlie abhorred them as I ought, and everie way so absteyned from them as I shoulde? Nay hath not rather ease beene sought in paine of mee by these meanes, or at least wished if I coulde have gotten them? . . . Let it be wel weied of anie Cristian heart that feareth God indeede, and carefullie seeketh the credite of his name, howe often vnreuerentlie in sporting and playing, in shooting & bowling, in dising & carding, we vse Scripture wil rowle out of our mouthes in iesting and light conferences, howe fearefully we vse him in cursing & banning our bretheren, and surely he shall see no smal guilt touching this commandement in everie one of vs."

Here is Babington's contrast of the way in which the Papists punisht breaches of God's laws—swearing, &c.—and of their own:—

p. 119. "Who so breaketh these, an Heretike hee is, a runneaway from the Church: cite him and summon him, excommunicate him and imprison him, burne him and hang him, yea, away with such a one, for Reade the L. he is not worthie to liue upon the earth. But if he blas-Cobhams last examination in the begins of the common of the Lord by horrible swearing, if he is the begins offende most grieuously in pride, in wrath, in gluttonie, and ning of it.

couetousnesse, if he be a drunken alestake, a ticktack tauerner, keepe a whore or two in his owne house, and moe abroade at bord with other men, with a number such like greeuous offences, what doe they? Either he is not punished at all, & most commonly so, or if he be, it is a little penance of their owne inuenting, by belly or purse, or to say a certaine of prayers, to visit such an image in pilgrimage, &c."

Sabbath-breaking: the Spending of Sunday.

p. 189-191. "If the sanctification of this day consist greatly in labouring to knowe the Lorde by the preaching of his worde, howe shall they safely passe the curse of God for the breache hereof, who with benummed soules, parched, padded, senselesse, and euery way most hardened hearts, either lie and sleepe on the one side idle, or tossing the alepot with their neighbours, suffer this day to passe without any instruction, and like dumbe dogges hold their peace, no way discharging the dutie of a true minister, and one that tendereth the glory of God, his owne, & his peoples soules? . . . Againe, if to sanctifie the Sabaoth, be to consecrate it to holy vses, such as haue been named, is it possible for vs to escape the reuenging hande of the eternall God, if he, content in mercie with one day in the 7. we denie him that also, and dedicate it

eare, the brush upon the beard, the kisse of the hand, the stoupe of the head, the leere of the eye, and what not that was unneedefull, but he had so perfecte at his fingers endes, that every she was 'my faire Ladye,' and scarce a Knight but was 'Noble Sir': the tobacco pipe was at hand, when Trinidado was not forgotten, and then a tale of a roasted horse to make an asse laugh for lacke of witte: why, all thinges so well agreede togither, that at this square table of people, or table of square people, this man (made by rule) could not be spared for a great somme." Collier's Bibl. Cat. i. p. 452-3.

to drunkennes, to feasting and surfetting, &c. Nowe in ye name of the God of heauen, and of Iesus Christ his son, who shall come to iudge the quick & the dead at the latter day, I require it of al that euer shall reade these words, that, as they wil answere me before the face of God & all his Aungels at the sounde of the last trump, they better wey [Spending Whether carding, dising, & tabling, bowling, & cocking, stage Sunday.] plaies and summer games, whether gadding to this ale or that, to this bearebaiting? & that bulbaiting, with a number such, be exercises commanded of God for the sabaoth day or no. O hart al frosen & void of

¹ See Harrison, Part I, p. 32: he speaks of Ales, &c., as lessend in number.

3 The sweet and comfortable recreation of Beare-bayting.

In Haslewood's account "of the London Theatres; No. IX, The Bear Garden," in the Gentleman's Magazine, 1816, vol. 86, Part I, p. 205, he says that "The Author of a tract in manuscript in the Museum, † written about this period [1606], having censured the players for the indirect attacks made by them upon the Nobility, under borrowed names of foreign Dukes and feigned persons, defends this diversion as needful for the common people, and that it should be exhibited upon festivals. 'I cannot (he says) see howe that sweet and comfortable recreation of beare-bayting (beinge, to our rude and inferiour vulgar, that which Circensis Venatio was among the Romans) maye welbe forborne, seeinge like will to like, as it is in the black proverbe, and therfore conclude that our active spirritts and fine pregnant witts, with pleasant and ingenious playes would be intertayned, and the scumme of the people (evene vpon the festivall daies) to the Bancke-side drayned . . . To retorne, where exception is taken to bear-bayting on festivall daies, I saye, vppon those, hell is broake loose, and it is good pollicye to drawe all the devylles (if it be possible) into one place, to keepe them from being easely tempted (for pares cum paribus facillime congregantur, penè dixissem copulantur, for one devill easely tempteth another,) and vulawfull attemtinge ells where. Bestiis indulgendum est infimæ plebi; the poore slaves have bene heldein harde to labour att the working daies, and would be gladd to have a little recreation on the holye dayes, which our commiserant Lord ordayned in part (as I conceive) for the reste of them, and all brutes in generall, whome the insatiable covetousnes of man wold contynually, without intermission, be hurrying in traveile and laboure, and partly for solace and refection to the droylinge servant. Nowe becawse the rude multitude dothe not knowe well howe to vse libertye (and some they muste and will have), therefore, that they themselves may devise none madder, whereof mischief maye aryse to the weale publique of the poppular cittyes, let them vse the sweete pastime of beare-bayteinge, and other suche publique exercises (thoughe on the festivall dayes), a God's name, that we may knowe what they doe, and wheare to fynd them if neede be. And [in] generall, all manner of pastimes are to be permitted att customable tymes to a peaceable people for there solace and comfort, as his Majestie in those moste judicious and admirable preceptes and direccions to the Prince thathe verye choisely noated and prescribed."

[•] Mr. W. G. Stone gives me the reference.

[†] I can't identify the MS by the Class Catalogue, nor can the keeper of the MSS. tell me which it is. We've tried a few likely ones.

I James I's Book of Sports.

80* Appx. Bp. Babington against Sabbath-Breaking.

the feeling of the mercie of thy God, that having every day in 6. every houre in euery day, & euery minute in euery houre, so tasted of the sweet grace of thy God in Christ, as that without it thou hadst perished euery minute, yet canst not tel howe possibly to passe ouer one day to his praise, vnlesse one halfe of it be spent in carding & bowling. Awake, awake, in Iesus Christ admonished, awake! & seeing al the weeke long, ye Lord of heauen doth defend & feede thee, comfort & blesse thee, & is contented but in one day especially to be regarded, vow with thy self in request of strength to keepe it, that to the Lord y' one day shall be

consecrated of thee, & observed according to his will."
p. 199-205. "Haue we spent the Sabaoth in godly conference & meditation, powring out thanks from a feeling soule for ye Lords goodnes euer to vs, & namely the weeke passed? Haue we visited or thought vpon the sick, sore, diseased, imprisoned, banished, or any way suffring for a good cause, & to our power comforted them? Haue we studied how either to procure or continue or increase amongst our selues, or our neighbours, the meanes of saluation, as ye preaching of the word, & such like? O beloued, we have not, we have not, we know it & must needs confesse it, if there be any trueth in vs. Too much haue we neglected all these; yea, euen diuerse of them, it is greatly to bee feared, haue litle or neuer at all troubled our heads: but for their contraries, in most ful measure we haue wallowed in them, and with greedinesse euer accomplished them. Where is the minister whose negligence hath not made his people to pollute the Sabaoth? Where is the people whose consciences awaked may not justly condemne them for ungodly gadding [Churchales, on this day to Churchales, to weddings, to drinkings, to ban-stage plays, kets, to fairs, & markets, to stage plaies, to bearebaytings, & bearbaitings.] summer games, and such like? Where is that master that hath had a

¹ Dancing and Minstrelsy on Sundays.—See Mr. Collier's account, in Bibl. Cat. i. 489-492, of Thomas Lovell's 'Dialogue between Custom and Veritie, concerning the use and abuse of Dauncing and Minstrelsie, 1581, a book written to prevent the desecration of the Sabbath by' "heathenish dauncing and vain minstrelsie." Custom defends these practises; Verity condemns them, especially 'the horrible immorality of kissing at the end of a dance, as we know was then usual (Henry V///, Act I, sc. 4).

While men with maides in wanton If that his mate doo seem to like the daunce unseemly oft doo turn,

Their harts blinde Cupid oft doth cause with Venus games to burn . . .

game that he would have,

He trips her toe, and clicks her cheek, to show what he doth crave.

For Thomas Deloney's advice in 1607 how to woo and win a wench, see Collier's Bibl. Cat. i. 215.

Arthur Golding, the great englisher of classical books in Shakspere's day, also complains of the Sabbath-breaking that went on. In his little book on the earthquake * probably alluded to by Shakspere, through the Nurse's mouth, in Romeo and Juliet, he says :-

^{• &}quot;A discourse upon the Earthquake that hapned through this Realme of Englande, and other places of Christendom, the sixt of Aprill. 1580. betweene the houres of five and six in the Evening. Written by Arthur Golding, Gentleman.—At London, Imprinted by Henry Binneman, dwelling in Thamis streate nere Baynerds castle," small 8vo. B. L.

conscience to restraine his servants from this impietie, or the servant againe that hath either brideled himselfe for ye Lords cause, or else wel accepted his master or mistres restraint being made vnto him, and which hath not rather burst out into vngodly & disobedient speeches, murmuring that because he hath wrought all the weeke, therfore he should haue libertie to do what he list on ye Sabaoth, not considering that this commandement bindeth not only ye master himselfe to honor God on this day, but to see to his family so much as he can, that they also do it. Nay I would to God yt masters in many places were not ringleaders to their owne & al other mens people, to prophane this Sabaoth of the Lord, and that euen such maisters as in respect of their calling, office and credite in the countrey, should farre otherwise doe. When doeth a gentleman (to name no higher estates) appoint a shooting, a bowling, a cocking, or a drunken swearing ale, for the helpe as they say of some poore one, but vppon the Sabaoth? And if he be at ye Church in the forenoone, for the after noone it is no matter, he hath beene verie liberall to God in giuing him so much. What day in the week vsually doeth he give so euill an example of vnmeasurable sotting in bed, as on the Sabaoth? But O filthie sauour that ariseth out of this lothsome chanell, thus raked vp into the nostrels of the Lorde! I spare to speake, I shame to see, I rew to knowe, what I fully knowe against our soules in this respect. . . . What should I say of the second end of the institution of the Sabaoth, namely for the rest of seruant & cattell? But euen in an word, woe to the man whom God shall judge according to his guiltinesse herein. For it is too vsual with all estates to be a meanes to robbe their seruauntes of the blessing due to the keepers of this law, and to pull vppon them the plague for the contrarie, by making them ride and run, post and away, vpon euerie occasion that commeth in their heads, when in truth, if they would but even look into it, the matter may be done wel without such hast. . . . Wherein or howe crucifie we the fleshe more on this day than any other, bridle the frowarde desires of the heart. restrayne our owne nature, and doe the will of God more on this day than any other? Alas, our owne consciences crie vnto us, we doe nothing lesse: wee drinke, wee eate, wee surfet, wee sweare, we play, [Sunday we daunce, we whore, we walke and talke idlely, vainely, amusements.] vncleanely and vngodlily: these are our workes on ye Sabaoth more commonly than any day in the weeke else; and if this bee to resemble a spirituall rest, then in deede wee doe it, not otherwise. . . . A thousand times & a thousand he might with great right haue destroyed vs either amongst our pottes, or in our daunces, or idle in our beds, asking vs if that were to halow his Sabaoth, or to honour his name to swill [Drinking and to bibble, to leape, to walowe and tumble in bed, till it on Sundays.] bee noone, with such like."

[&]quot;The Saboth dayes and holy dayes, ordayned for the hearing of Gods word to the reformation of our lyves, for the administration and receyving of the Sacramentes to our comfort, for the seeking of all things behovefull for bodye or soule at Gods hands by Prayer, for the mynding of his benefites, and to yeelde praise and thankes unto him for the same, and, finally, for the speciall occupying of our selves in all spirituall exercizes, is spent full heathenishly in taverning, tipling, gaming, playing and beholding of Beare-baytings and Stage playes, to the utter dyshonor of God, impeachment of all godlynesse, and unnecessarie consuming of mennes substances, which ought to be better employed."—Collier's Bibl. Cat. ii. 315—16.

82* Appx. Bp. Babington on Parents' want of Duty.

Parents to blame for bringing up children badly.

p. 221-2. "For too much it is of parents neglected, & yet are they grieued, if of their children they be not reuerenced: and howsoeuer many there bee, that in these daies are carefull ynough to procure vnto their children knowledge of Artes, of Countries, and of any thing that in worldely sort may make them mightie, famous, and spoken of: yet is the grounde of all verie fearefully neglected, namely, to setle in them the true feare of the God of Israell, deliuered and taught in his worde. Yea, it is even accounted by father and child not so needefull or beseeming for a gentleman, to the great exasperating of the Lordes wrath against them and their seede. Humilitie also and shamefastnes are taken from youth in these daies, euen by their parents and their teachers; and where it hath euer beene held, that blushing in measure, modestie, and silence haue been commendable tokens in young yeeres, nowe is it a shame to be ashamed at any time, blushing is want of countenance and bringing vp, silence is ignoraunce, modestie is too much maidenlinesse; and in short, nowe vertue is vice, and vice very comely and gallant behauiour. So times are changed to and fro, and chaunging times haue chaunged vs too. But of this thus farre."

Children's want of Reverence to Parents. Parents' setting bad Examples to their Children.

p. 247-251. "What shoulde I name, what shoulde I feare to name, so will it wring vs all, the mocking of our Parentes? Where is that childe that hath carefully couered to his power, and euer borne withall in him selfe, the wantes or infirmities whatsoeuer of his Parents? No, no, the Lord hath not onelie something against vs in this behalfe, but euen great and greeuous hath beene our fault, and still it remaineth in manie of vs. Wee laugh to see our Parentes shame, we smile at their wants, wee publishe their infirmities, we disdaine their ignoraunce, wee loath their age, and in manie a thing to our owne confusion, if the Lorde giue not an amending repentance, we bewray a robbed hart of that true reuerence which ought to bee in children to their parentes. Alas if God iudge vs for our obedience, where are we? what witles wil erecteth a kingdome in vs? Howe cleaue wee to our selues in all matters, and thinke our owne direction best? Howe despise wee the counsell of our friendes, and cast behinde vs their experience? Euerie sonne and euerie daughter would rule their mariage wholie themselues. And euen in euerie action, alas, what disobedience sheweth it selfe in vs vnto our parentes. . . . Are we parents? . . . What life haue wee ledde before our children too breede and continue these duties in them? Hath it beene holy, graue, and modest, and so remayneth, as neere as we can, seeking to hide from the eyes of their witlesse heades, such wantes as we knowe our selues subject vnto? No no, but carelesly and loosely, euen in euery place, parentes bewray neglect of religion: they will goe to the Churches or good exercises when they list, and that verie rarely; they shewe no regarde of the dutie of Christians, they carie no grauitie in their doinges, no modestie often in their behauiour, but liue most dissolutely and often incontinently; they sweare fearefully without regarde, speake prophanely, not respecting the frailtie of the youth that heareth them; father and mother let vnkinde speeches passe from them one towardes an other in the presence of their children to the great impayring of their credite

with them, carelesse, God knowes, of their bringing vp, and too full of foolish pitie when they should correct them. . . . The very vnnaturall and vnkinde dealing of Parentes with their children in their youth, denying them releefe, and comfortable helpe, maketh them often (though it should not) when they have attayned to anie estate, to deale as wndutifully with their needie Parentes againe."

Stage-Plays and Players. (See too p. 85*.)

p. 316-318. "These prophane & wanton stage playes or interludes: what an occasion they are of adulterie and vncleanenesse, by gesture, by speech, by conueyances, and deuices to attaine to so vngodly desires, the world knoweth with too much hurt by long experience. Vanities they are if we make the best of them; and the Prophet prayeth to haue his eies turned away by the Pool. 119. Lorde from beholding such matter: Euill wordes corrupt 1. Cor. 15. good manners, and they have abundance. There is in them euer manie dangerous sightes, and wee must abstaine from al appearance of euill. They corrupt the eies with alluring gestures: the eyes, the heart: and the heart, the bodie, till al be horrible before the Lord. Histrionicis gestibus inquinantur omnia: (sayth Chrysostome) These players behaviour polluteth all thinges. And of their playes he saith, they are the feasts of Sathan, the inuentions of the deuill, &c Councels have decrieed verie sharply against them, and polluted bodies by these filthie occasions have on their death beddes confessed the daunger of them, lamented their owne foule and greeuous faulles, and left their warning for euer with vs to beware of them. But I referre you to them, that vpon good knowledge of the abominations of them, haue written largely & wel against them. If they be dangerous on the day time, more daumgerous on the night certainely: if on a stage, & in open courtes, much more in chambers and private houses. For there are manie roumes beside that where the play is, & peraduexture the strangenes of the place & lacke of light to guide them, causeth errour in their way, more than good Christians should in their houses suffer."

Dancing, the Evils of it. (See too, p. 85*.)

p. 318-321. "Que. What else?

"Ans. Dancing againe is in the number of vaine pastimes, [Dancing.]
and the allurements to vncleannesse, as much experience hath too wel proued. The scriptures checke it, the fathers mislike it, the councels have condemned it, & the proofe of Gods iudgementes vpon it biddeth vs beware. Instrumenta luxuria tympana &-tripudia, sayth one, the inticers to lust are pipinges and dancinges. Laquei sunt &- scandala, non solum saltatoribus, sed spectatoribus. They are snares and offences not onely to the actors, but also to ye beholders. Iob noteth it as an olde practise of the deuil to occupy men withall, & as an ancient exercise of the wicked, that they should daunce. Upon which wordes a godly writer sayeth: that from the tabret and the flute, which in Calu. serm 80. themselves are not vnlawefull, they come to dauncing, vpon lob. which is the chiefest mischiefe of all. For there is alway (sayth he) such vnchast behaviour in dauncing, that of it selfe, and as they abuse it, (to speake the trueth in the worde) it is nothing else, but an inticement to whoredome. In the gospell the spirite of God noteth it in a wicked woman as an immodest thing, & of a damnable

84* Appx. Bp. Babington on the Evils of Dancing.

effect in her wicked father Herode, to dance. And such as interpret the place are not afraide of these words, that it was meretricia lascinia Martor, ex. turpis nota nubilis puellæ saltatio. That is, that for her Cals. to dance, beeing a maide for yeares mariageable, was a note of whorish wantonnesse. For whosoeuer (saith he) hath a care of honest grauitie, he euer condemneth dancing, and especially in a maide. Againe hee calleth it spectaculum familia Regia probrosum. A dishonorable sight in a kings house: with manie speaches moe of mislike. Syrac. 9. 4. Sirac, a wise man, and of great experience, biddeth a man not to vse the companie of a woman, that is a singer and a dauncer, neither to heare her, least hee bee taken with her craftinesse. Ambros de. godlie Fathers, as I saide, mislike it. For saltatio ad virgin lib. 3 adulteras, non ad pudicas pertinet, saith one of them: Dauncing belongeth to adulterous, and not to honest women. A sharpe speeche: Yet was this graue father not afraide to speake Chryst. Math. it. Saltatio barathrum diaboli, sayth an other: dauncing is in Genes. the deuils hell. And we heare speeche of Iacobs mariage Theophilact in Mar. 6. (saith he) in the scripture, but not a worde of anie dauncing that was at it. Mira collusio sayth another, saltat diabolus per puellam: It is a strange iugling, when wee thinke the maide doth daunce, and it is not so, but the deuill in her, or by her. The councels haue condemned it, as others haue at large shewed. And verie Tullie could say, an honest man would not dance in an open place for a great patrimonie. For the iudgementes of God vpon this vaine pastime, it is strange which Pantaleon noteth out of Crantzius, that in Colbecke, a towne in Germanie, certaine light persons hopping, and dauncing in the Churchyearde of S. Magnus, beeing by the minister admonished to cease, and not ceasing, did for a long time (not able to stay) runne rounde about, and at last fell all downe dead. But because others have so largelie writ against this vanitie, I say no more of it at this time, but wish vs to consider that it is an inticement often to adulterie, and therefore in this commaundement forbidden. And as for anie dauncing that wee reade of in the scriptures to have beene vsed of the godly, we must vnderstande, that their dancing was euer a sober modest motion, with some song vsually to Gods praise, and men by themselues, women by themselues. Which nothing will warrant our custome and guise in these daies.

Que. Are there yet anie moe allurementes?

Ans. There are yet many mo. But I may not in this sort stande vpon them. Gluttonie & drunkennesse, with houses of open whoredome, youre booke nameth and proofes for them. Idlent. Cor. 7: 34. nesse also is an other meanes, the vowe of chastitie, the deniall of seconde marriages, the going of men in womens apparell, and women in mans apparell, with a number such."

Temptations to Unchastity: Wanton Looks and Books, Dress, Plays, Dancing.

p. 348-350. "The meanes and allurementes either to the actuall offence, or the thought condemned in this commaundement as we have

¹ Robert Manning of Brunne cites this instance too, in his *Handlyng Synne*, A.D. 1303. See my edition, p. 279-286. He makes the sacrilegious Carollers or Dauncers go on hopping for ever after.

heard before, are many and diuerse. Sometimes the eyes disorderly wander, and beeing not checked by a Christian conscience that feareth to give them libertie too long, they become the occasions both of thoughtes and actes, wicked and damnable. Sometimes behauiour vnchast and unseemely. Sometimes speeche wanton and light, stir the hart vp to conceiue that thing, and the wicked fleshe to perfourme it fully, which God and nature abhorre as filthie. The dalying tattles of these courting dayes, the lasciuious songes made by loose mindes, and the wanton greetinges in eueric place nowe vsed, alas what thoughtes procure they, neuer liked of the Lorde, that I may say no worse? Bookes written by vnreformed heartes, and continually redde to the greefe of God, are they no occasions to fraile flesh, both in thought and deede to offende against this law: God knoweth, and experience teacheth such soules as tast of Christ, that verie deadly poyson vider a false delight, doth this way creepe into vs. An vichast looke makes an vnchast heart, and a rouing tongue beyonde the listes of godlinesse ere euer we well knowe what we doe. So subtill is the sinne that this way creepeth into our soules. Apparell is next, a most fearefull allurement to the breache of this commaundement both in thought and deede, if God once in mercie would open our eyes. So are these stage playes and most horrible spectacles, so is our dauncing, which at [Stage Plays.] this day is vsed, so is drunkennesse, gluttonie and idlenesse, with a number such like, as can witnesse eche one in the world that will weigh

p. 351-354. "Light behaulour and alluring daliance is Behaulour. euerie where accompted comelie bouldnesse, and good Speech. bringing vp: discoursing speeche to a vaine ende, we count a quality commendable in vs, and the want of it we esteeme simplicitie, wheresoeuer we see it. And therefore by bookes to such endes set out, we endeuour to attaine vnto it, and having once polluted our speech (for I will neuer call it polishing) we are neuer better than when we have company to bestowe our tales and greetinges vppon. Our apparell, in matter to our power we make supportuous and in forms. parell, in matter, to our power we make sumptuous, and in forme, to allure the eye asmuch as wee can. If this be true, in the name of Christ let vs better thinke of it than we haue done. These are allurementes to sinfull lust, and this lawe of God forbiddeth not onely both act and thought, but euen euerie allurement to either of them. What should I speake of stage plaies and dauncing? Can we say in trueth before the maiestie of God that we carefullie abstaine from these thinges, because they tickle vs vp either more or lesse to the breach of this commaundement? Alas we cannot a number of vs. But we runne to the one continually to our cost, when we will not be drawen to better exercises that are offered freely, we sucke in the venom of them with great delight, and practise the speeches and conueyances of loue which there we see and learne. The other wee vse with especiall pleasure, Danneing, and God being witnesse to many an one, they wish the fruite of their dauncing to be this, even the fall of them selves and others into the breach of this lawe. What should I say of gluttonie and idlenesse? Doe they not make vs sinne? Good Lord, give vs eyes to see, and hearts to weigh the occasions of our fall. The spirite of God hath Gluttonie and sayde that these pricked up the flesh of the filthy Sodomites drunkennesse. to that height of sinne; and yet we can imagine they will cause no sinne at all in vs against this lawe. And therefore professing the gospell and integritie of life, yet dare we so pamper, so stuffe, & cramme this rebelling

86* Appx. Bp. Babington on the Evils of Retainers, &c.

flesh, as if we were gods that could suffer no temptation: we dare gull in wine and hote drinkes continually, beeing peraduenture both strong and young, and euerie way needing rather pulling downe, than setting vp. We dare solace our selues in soft beddes too long for our constitutions, and all the day after betake our selues to nothing whereabout the minde might walke, and so escape impure conceptes."

The giving of Liveries to Retainers and Serving-men, &c.

p. 378-9. "And I wil yet adde one thing ouer vnto all often meanes and couers of oppression. these, which must needes be included in this head of oppression, because it is a common and a dangerous cloake of the same, to wit, lyueries of Prince or subjectes, noble men, gentlemen, or whosoeuer. Which if they maintaine and beare out the vniust & wrongfull dealings of any man with ye knowledge of the Lord, not only the deede doer, but the giver of that cloth and cote whatsoever he be, standeth giltie of that oppression before almighty God. The consideration whereof being so true and sure, should justly cause in al estats, that deale their cloth to others, a more vigilant eye & eare to see & heare the conversation of their followers, & a restraining hand of such countenance, credite or couer to them (all worldly reasons set apart) when so euer they shall vnderstande the same to be abused. For why should any earthly respect euer stande so great in mens eies, as that for it they dare take vpon them the guilt of other mens sins, & spoyling oppression? But alas great is the vnfeelingnesse of many mens harts in this matter in these dayes. Either Pope, profite, or pollicie, doe make vs deale our cloth too liberally, and regard our mens behauiour too negligentlie. But a worde is ynough."

p. 428. "What shoulde I say of that cloke and couer and cause of

p. 428. "What shoulde I say of that cloke and couer and cause of much oppression, the cloth and liueries of Superiours? Am I the giuer or the taker? If I bee the giuer, haue I neuer boulstred my cognisance out to doe the thing that God forbiddeth? Haue I hearkned about to see and learne howe they vse the credit that is giuen them? God knowes wee haue litle neede to be charged with other mens sinnes, as no doubt such a maister shall with such a mans offences. For we shall neuer be able to beare in our selues the burden of our owne. Am I the taker? what then saith my conscience? haue I sought it and sued for it for affection, and true duetie in my heart to him that gaue it? Doe I weare it, and wishe to weare it, to haue my heart knowen to him or her the better, whom with heart and hande, bodie and goods, power and might till my death, in right I honour and serue, and wishe and will doe euer? Or rather a false faith seeketh a faire shewe, and a powling hande of manie a seelie weake wretch seeketh a strength to establish my wickednesse, and a backer to beare on my foule oppressions?"

Neglect of honest Work in Youth. (The Grasshopper and the Ant.)

p. 382-385. "There was a litle tittle tattle, when time was, they say, betwixt the grashopper and the pismire, and we may laugh at it, & yet looke better about vs as admonished by it. The grashopper having passed the summer ouer merily, as her custome is, singing and tuning the notes of a thoughtlesse minde vnder euerie leafe, at last when winter came on, beganne to shake, and to goe to bedde with an emptie bellie

Appx. Bp. Babington on Idleness in Youth, & Jesting. 87*

manie a night, to the great weakening of her lively limmes, and the quite marring of all her musicke. To steale, shee refuseth of her honest nature; and to begge, shee is ashamed, for feare to be mocked. Yet neede maketh the olde wife trotte, they say; and modestie in this hungrie creature must yeelde to necessitie. To it therefore shee goeth, and having a wealthie neighbour not farre off, that had laboured sore all summer, and layde vppe much good vitaile, to her she commeth, and craueth some succour at her hande. Who by and by demaunded of her what shee did all summer? "Alas (sayeth the grashopper) I sung, and little remembred this change." "Did you so (sayth the Ant) in deede did you sing all summer? Nowe trust me, for mee, you shall daunce all winter, for I liue by my labour, and I will neuer maintaine idlenesse in anie." Thus received slouth a checke, when it looked for helpe; and wee, warned by it, may learne this morall, to labour least we lacke. Optimum obsonium senectute labor, (sayth one) They are good refreshinges in our age, the wel-bestowed trauelles of our youth. Yeares passe, and strength fayles; gette nothing in youth, and haue nothing in age. But O carelesse heartes of ours, and headie will,² who can perswade this, or beate it into the heades of young men, and maydes, of seruantes, and such as are comming on? No, no, we will hoppe and daunce, tipple and drinke, banket and reuell, what connsell soeuer is given vs to the contrarie, with that litle we have, and sing care away. And a litle gaie apparell on the backe, is worth much money in the chest. But wise is he whome other mens harmes can cause to take heede. Sicknesse may come, and euerie maister will not keepe a sicke seruant; a mayme may fall to vs, and wee then may heare it, I have no wages vnlesse you could worke, many thinges may happen, and a mans owne is his owne, and great is gods blessing to faithfull labour, as trulie his plagues are not litle or rare to idlenesse and slouth. . . . 3 Wherefore it is not ynough to make vs guiltlesse of this commaundement to say, we get that we have by labour, but it must be good labour (sayth Paule) iust labour, and lawefull labour. The which distinction ouerthroweth al maintaynance gotten by massing, by iugling, by charming, by playing interludes, by fidling and pyping vppe and downe the countrey, by carying about beares and apes, by telling of fortunes, and such like trades, mentioned in the statute of this lande, touching vagabundes. For though they be labours, and make them sweate often, some of them, yet want they warrant in the worde to prooue them good, and lawefull labours. And therefore subject to the penaltie of this lawe before God."

Idle Jesting and Scoffing.

p. 396-7. "Vnto this heade is referred all vngodlie counsell, whatsoeuer, and all leawde vanitie, or babishe scruilitie to make men delight more in vs, and lesse in the feare of God. Is it not lamentable to see, that a popish, or an atheisticall Spirite shall doe more hurt at a table, or such like place with one peeuish iest, and girding skoffe in the heartes of the hearers, than twentie good men can recouer with much good counsell? And yet what say we? O, hee is a merie greeke, a pleasaunt companion, and in faith a good fellowe. Hee cannot flatter, his words must be

¹ p. 383. ² p. 384. ³ p. 385. ⁴ 'Good men' fighting, &c.—"howe dare these sinfull, brauling, quarelling, disquiet, hatefull, and furious fighters, take vppon them to be called gvod men

88* Appx. Bp. Babington on lawful Amusements.

borne, and soe foorth. But marke marke what effect this mirth hath in us, and whereto it tendeth. And if it increase our knowledge, increase our zeale, and increase good graces in vs, then like it, and spare not, and cheerish such an one. But if it poyson the profite of the worde vnto vs, decay our diligence, and liking of good exercises, and decrease all that I haue named, then know him for a thiefe, though his handes be true, for he stealeth our soules from the liuing God, & both bodie and soule from eternall life."

Amusements in Moderation are justifiable. What Games are allowable. Gaming for money is not. The Evils of Gaming.

p. 399-400. "Concerning then playing and gaming in generall, diuers you shall finde both in writing and speaking verie straite, who hardlie will bee perswaded to allowe vnto Christians almost anie plaie at all. For, say they, wee must give accompt in the day of iudgement o feuerie action, of euerie idle worde, and of euerie iote of time, howe wee haue

bestowed it, and therefore we shoulde not play."
p. 400-408. "The meaning of these our brethren no doubt is good,

and willingly would drawe vs to greater dutie to our God. And these reasons of theirs ought to have this effect in vs, even to abridge that excesse which all may see in our playing and our sportes, and to bring vs home to a greater strictnesse of life in heeding what we should. But to cut vs off from all recreation by any play (be it without offence of anie spoken) indeede they cannot. For wee are men, and no Angels, and as men in this worlde wee must walke our course, subject to dulnesse, and wearinesse, even in good thinges, and wee must refreshe that feeble weakenesse of ours by lawful and allowed comforts. Which I so tearme, because I am assured that the worde of God condemneth not all our play, and the corrupt constitution of our bodies, together with the dulnesse of our minds, trail of playing of still because well knewe the Lorde wee woulde not bee sparing dayes.

Notwithstanding fitly may it bee saide of play, as he saide of studying

philosophie, Philosophandum paucis: Wee must play but litle.

But nowe the seconde steppe is more harde than this, namelie to knowe what games wee maie vse, and at what wee may play. Wherein not purposing anie set and curious treatise, I aunswere briefely, that of those manie and differing kindes of sportes, that are deuised and vsed in euerie place, I condemne none, which make for the quickening of bodie or minde, which serue to actiuitie, and prepare men for better seruice an other daye, vnlesse they haue ioyned to them any vngodlinesse, or are by Lawe of that particular place forbidden: no, not Cardes or Tables in all respectes, and to euerie person at all times, and in all places: Neuerthelesse I am fullie assured, and doe willinglie affirme, that they ought not of Christians professing the Gospel to bee so much vsed as they are.

Let vs therefore rather enter to consider an other poynt, which is

And what witlesse woodcocks are they, that cals them good men, bicause Stonte fighters are not good men. they fight lustily, sticke to it stoutely, and would mayme and kill desperatly: neuer regarding their cause nor their quarrel." 1580.

T. Lupton. Sizqila, p. 53.

Appx. Bp. Babington against Gaming and Dicing. 89*

harder than this, namelie, whether wee shoulde play for monie or no. And first I reason thus: If it bee lawefull to plaie for monie, then is it lawefull to winne monie in this sort, and the monie lawefullie possessed: But this seconde is false, therefore the former also. That the seconde is false, the ende and first inuention of plaie prooueth, which, as euerie one canne well witnesse, was neuer inuented to this ende, but onelie to refresh either body or mind; and corruption afterward brought in mony, as we see dayly before our eyes. . . . Thirdlie, I reason from the multitude of miserable creatures, that are the same fleshe that wee are, and yet pitifullie crie for want of succour: from the multitude of godlie and Christian vses, to employ that which wee maie spare vppon, and euen from the want of manie necessaries for our selues, that it is not lawefull nor tollerable to play for monie. For is it not lamentable, and most fearefull, that anie Christian man shoulde carie about in his conscience daie and night a witnesse, that this seuen yeares hee hath not given seuen shillings to the naked, needie, and comfortlesse members of Iesus Christ, and yet hee hath lost at vayne playe, in a vayne manner, twentie times as much? Can a man bee so dull, as to thinke this thing will neuer pricke him, or neuer haue a just rewarde of punishment at Gods handes? Is it not lamentable, that a man can see no Christian vse to giue of hys abundaunce to, but thinke all that euer hee can get, litle inough to consume in playe? Are wee exempted out of the number of them that are bounde to workes of loue, and deedes of mercie, so that wee neede to doe none of these, and yet shall bee saued too? Naie, is it not woonderfull, and a thing that heaven and earth are ashamed of, and even all the creatures in both of them stande astonished at, to consider, that a man shoulde not eyther doe the former dueties, or him selfe haue eyther anie good apparell to weare, anie bookes to benifite his soule by, no not so much as a Bible or a prayer booke, anie meate at home for his wife and Children, anie wages to paie hys Seruauntes, or his other debtes, or a number moe such necessaries, and yet thinke hys playing, yea his costlie playing, lawefull, and not to bee spoken agaynst? Is it I say, possible, that euer a Christian man, that thinkes hee hath Gods spirite, shoulde thus have his conscience seared vp? Truelie, for myne owne part, I professe I haue stoode in my hearte amazed at it, and I beseech the Lorde to drive awaie from vs such grosse securitie. For else as we liue, wee shall knowe wee haue deceyued our selues, and others; wee were neuer anie thing lesse, than Christians. These dueties therefore due to others, so manie, and great, and these wants of necessaries for our selues, improoue 1 our playing for monie."

Dicing, the Evils of it. Chaucer and Sir T. Elyot.

p. 411-417. "The Poet layeth it downe amongest the Cankers that consume men and make them beggers, Dise, Wine, and Women. What shoulde I say? Take anie booke in hande of an heathen man, and it is a woonder, if you finde not some thing against dysing. Nowe come from heathens to Christians, and see euen as great misliking. Austen beginneth and is not afraide to say plainely, Aleam De cinit. Dei. inuenit Damon, The deuill first found out the game of lib. 4. dising. Lyra, detesting it, seeketh to make other men doe In pracceptorio. as much by diverse reasons. It covereth (sayth hee) an other mans

¹ Lat. improbo, disapprove, blame, condemn.

90* Appx. Bp. Babington, Chaucer, &c., against Dicing.

goods greatly, it is a mightie meanes of deceite, it passeth vsurie, it causeth lying, swearing, brawling, and manie idle wordes, it is an offence to the godly, it breaketh the lawes, it misspendeth the time, and what not? Olde CHAUCER so long agoe set his sentence downe against this exercise, and spares not to display the vertues of it in this maner:

Dising, (saith he) is verie mother of leasinges, [Hasard] And of deceite and cursed forswearings. Blasphemie of God, manslaughter, and waste also, Of battaile, naughtinesse, and other mo. [3 Of catel, and of time, and forthermo] It is reproofe and contrarie to honour, For to be hould a common disesour.4 [* hasardour] And euer the higher he is in estate, The more he is houlden desolate. If thou a Prince dost vse⁵ hazardie [3 If that a Prynce | vseth] 600 In all[e] gouernance and pollicie He is, by a common opinion Houlden lesse⁷ in reputation. 602 [7 Yholde the lesse] Lordes might finde other manner of 8 play, 627 [8 fynden other maner] Honest inough to drive the day away. 628

But of all other speeches, me thinkes it is a maruelous saying of Sir Thomas Eliot, and ought verie greatly to moue vs, who affirmeth that if a man heare one to be a diser, and knoweth him not, by and by he iudgeth him to be a light and vaine person, and of no credite or accompt. . Last of all, peruse the Statutes of this our owne countrie, and I beseech you marke the liking they have showed of dising. In the twelfth yeare of Richarde the seconde all vnlawefull games were forbidden, and by name Dising generallie. In the 21. yeare of Henrie the fourth, disers taken were imprisoned sixe dayes. And if anie heade Magistrate, as Maior, or Sheriffe, made not diligent search for them, they forfetted fortie shillings: If a Constable were negligent, hee lost sixe shillinges and eight pence. In the seuenteenth yere of Edward the fourth, they that kept dicing houses were to have three yeares imprisonment and 20. pounds fine. Players at dice in those houses, two yeares imprisonment and ten pounds fine. In the eleventh yeare of Henrie the seventh, Dicers shoulde be openlie set in the stockes by the space of one whole day, and the house keepers that suffered him to play, forfeit a noble, and be bounde to their good behauiour. In the 33 yeare of Henrie the eight, Dicing houses forfetted fortie shillings euerie time, & disers vi. s. viii. d. and bound in recognisance neuer to play againe. And yet more may you see in Pultons abridgement. Now it is woonderfull that notwithstanding all this, yet so foule a thing should seeme so faire, and that a man should not thinke himselfe vsed as a gentleman or almost as a man, vnlesse hee may haue libertie in this loosenesse, and the large reine to so great an euill. And yet wee be Christians, and that of the better sort too, or you doe vs wrong. The heathen hated it, and we hatch it vp in euerie house, and yet we be Christians. The godly writ against it, wee waite for it, and yet we be Christians. The councels haue condemned it in the spirite of Christ, and christian lawes haue most sharpely punished it: wee day and night vse it, and cannot be reaued of it, and

¹ In the *Pardoner's Tale*, Group C, l. 589-628; Six-text, p. 321-2. A few of the Ellesmere MS. readings are in the margin above.

⁹ Of the Statutes.

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yet we be Christians. But alas, alas! the day of vnderstanding, or the day of damnation for our ignoraunce, shall teach vs an other thing. We sweare, we lie, we reuile, and wee runne into the fielde with murthering mindes (for such anger is murther) moued by play, and yet we will not leane it. And if I doe not thus in shewe, yet inwardly I frette, I chafe, I gnash with my teethe, and teare the Cardes, burne the Dice, throw away the Tables, and such like, and yet I am religious. The Lorde forbiddeth all appearaunce of euill, all occasions of sinne, and vet wee are the Lordes, and doe neither. The Lorde saith, 'If thy right hande cause thee to offend, or thy right eye, cut it off, plucke it out, and cast it away'; wee will bee the Lordes, and not restrayne a little play, that, mine owne soule being witnesse, most greeuouslie maketh mee offende. Fie, fie, what deadnesse is this? Where is either loue of God, or feare in vs? Loue makes vs burne with desire to doe well, feare makes vs shake, to thinke of anie sinne: we continually sinne in our greedie gaming, and yet we be godlie. But this either makes vs see it, or we will neuer (I feare) see the mischeefe of playing, and by name of Dising. The Lorde for Christ his sake awake vs, and so I end."

Oppression of Servants and the Weak. Taking of Bribes.

p. 425-428. "Who seeth not, who knoweth not, that all Official oppression of my brother in his goods is contrarie to that loue that I ought to heare to him and his goods? And how stande wee in this matter? Haue wee neuer detained the poore seruauntes wages, and wrecked our anger vppon him to his harme further than a mercifull heart shoulde haue doone? Haue wee not taken euen the flower of his youth, the strength of his yeares, and the verie iuice and sappe of hys bodie to serue our turnes withall, and then either turned him off vnrewarded, or taken from him, or diminished without cause, other than our

I "Nay, thou hast yet Another Cruelty gnawing in thy bosome; Against went for what hope is there that thou shouldst have pitty over others, of presistion when thou art vnmercifull to thy self! Looke over thy walls into thy for these that of the other of these that the Orchards and Gardens, and thou shalt see thy servants and apprendict. tises sent out cunningly by their Masters at noone day vpon deadly errands; when they perceive that the Armed Man hath struck them, yea, even when they see they have tokens delivered them from heaven to hasten thither, then send they them forth to walke vpon their graves, and to gather the flowers themselves that shall stick their own Herse. And this thy Inhabitants do, because they are loth and ashamed to have a writing over their dores, to tell that God hath bin there; they had rather all their enemies in the world put them to trouble, then that he should visit them.

"Looke againe ouer the walls into thy Fields, and thou shalt heare poore and forsaken wretches lye groaning in ditches, and trauailing to seeke out Death vpon thy common hye wayes. Hauing found him, he there throwes downe their infected carcases, towards which, all that passe by, looke, but (till common shame, and common necessity compell,) none step in to give them buriall. Thou setst vp posts to whip them when they are alive: Set vp an Hospitall to comfort them being sick, or purchase ground for them to dwell in when they be well, and that is, when they be dead." 1606. T. Decker. Seven Deadly Sinnes of London (Arber, 1879), p. 48.

92* Appx. Bp. Babington on Bribery and Covetousness.

owne couetousnesse, the reward that our auncestour gaue to his seruice before? If wee haue doone it, alas it is a great oppression, a great wrong, and it standeth not with that loue that I am charged withall towardes him in this commaundement. . . . Haue wee not hurt the desolate Widowe, the fatherlesse childe, or anie whose might was lesse than ours to beare off the hardnes of our handes? Haue we not lift vp our force against them when we sawe wee might have helped them in the gate? If we have, what can we say why 10b. 31, 32. we shuld not rot in peeces for it, & our armes bee broken from the bones, as Iob wished to him in such a case? Haue wee neuer respected the person more of one than an other in cause of iustice, a strong meanes to drawe vs to oppression? Haue wee neuer suffered these handes to feele the weight of a bribers gift to drawe vs to oppression? O spare not to spie your sinne euen to the full if you have offended, and yet accuse not your selves if you dare boast of innocencie. Happie were our countrie, and a thousande comfortes were it to euerie one of vs, if the dulnesse of our heartes in these deadlie sinnes pulled not vppon vs the often offending in them, and then such sinne, such wrath againe from heauen aboue, as is most due vnto it. Alas, wee see not, neither euer will bee made to see, what loue by this lawe wee owe to all men in their goods; but we robbe them, we spoyle them, and wee take giftes to do it, and yet we be no theeues."

Covetousness. Lawyers. Giving Church-livings to bad Parsons.

p. 431-5. "Wee boldlie looke of euerie mans commodities. As we goe and ride, wee streight way couet, and that which is worse, presentlie we deuise to obtain our will to the impayring of our brothers wealth, and the fearefull breaking of this commandement. And woulde God the rage of our lust were not sometime so vehement, as that missing to get what it greedelie seeketh, it casteth vs downe sicke in our bed, or causeth vs to hurt him who hindereth our wishe, as wee see fell out in Achab to Naboth for his vineyarde. But of this hereafter more againe in the tenth By tongues. commaundement. For the tongue, alas what shoulde I saie, I will neuer bid you enquire whether you bee guiltie or no. For whither shoulde a man flie in these dayes from flatterie, or where may we liue and not light of false forgers seeking by filed phrase to bleere the eyes of such as least suspect them. . . . Let them ioyne hereunto, whose calling is such a true viewe of the drift and successe of Lawieres. their pleas, whether they have not often indeuored with their tongues, and often also obtayned by their speach, the wrongfull alienation of mens right from them to other men. And is not this a theft? Might not he euen aswell haue robbed him with his handes, as to be a meanes by speach of wrong perswasion that others doe it? But alas, what wordes can I vse, or anie man else this day aliue, to make men feele, that neither golden gaine, nor anie regarde to be named whatsoeuer, shoulde make them speake vntruely against the good estate of their brethren in anie causes? Surely, if this will nothing moue, that it is in nature theft which in name they so abbore, I will assay no further. . . . Are we al cleare of that theft of theftes committed in conueying of the Church liuinges to our owne vse from them that ought to haue them and doe the dutie for them, to the dishonour of God, the ruine of the Church, and the fearefull casting away of manie a soule into the pitte of hell for

¹ Compare Bacon's case, &c.

Appx. Bp. Babington on Unfit Parsons, Tittle-Tattle. 93*

want of knowledge? 1... Shall the Lorde crie woe vppon woe, wrath vpon wrath, vengeance vppon vengeance, to the carelesse shepheardes that feede themselues, and not the flocke; and shall he so quietly passe them ouer, that put in, and place such dume dogges, and vnable drones to doe anie duetie for their owne lucre? Is it a token of loue to feede his sheepe, to feede his lambes; and is it not a want of loue both to God and his lambes, to put in, for my gaine, such a drie nurse as can giue no milke nor feede at all, except it be with follie, and a fowle example of drinking, swearing, carding, tabling, bowling, sleeping, and such like?"

Prittle-prattle and Tittle-tattle, the Evils of em.

p. 481-2. "For the seconde which was telling of tales, wee haue heard it before shewed, and our owne knowledge both assure vs it is a branch of the breach of this commandement, which shall burne both bodie and soule in the fire of hell. And yet see, do we feare it, or flie it? Alas we knowe I am sure of it, we have beene too too secure in this point, and our securitie not seeing and weighing the wickednesse of the vice hath stayned both heart and tongue horriblie. Looke about the worlde and veiwe the generall course of all. Feareth anie man to discredite his neighbour privily, and to whisper vpon hearesay or his owne imagination what tendeth to the blemish of his name whom he speaketh of? Feareth any woman when shee hath mette with her gossippe to tittle tattle, to the slander of an other, this thing and that thing, which yet hath no certaintie, and which full loth she would have saide of her selfe vpon like coniectures? No no we see too much the cursed course of lawlesse tongues in euerie place, though the Lorde in mercie giueth some consciences, and a thousande times I begge that we woulde see our sinne, confesse our sinne, and rippe vp our guilt in this respect. Why shoulde wee be so dull and without feeling? If it be a vertue thus to prittle and prattle of euerie bodie, vncertaine tales, but most certaine discredites, then prooue it so, and vse it: but if it bee a branch of false witnesse, that doth truly witnesse gods wrath to hang ouer vs for it, good Lorde, shall we still be polluted with it?"

[Tea Gowns in 1878.—See The World article, reprinted in The Royal Exchange, Nov. 9, 1878, a number sent out as an advertisement. (I, of course, see nothing of the set of folk referrd to in it.)

"It is not so very long ago that the appearance in the drawing room or in any other place where she was visible to the naked eye of the male sex, of a lady loosely wrapped in her dressing gown, would have been an impossibility. But the world moves rapidly in this last quarter of the nineteenth century; and ladies, who a few years ago would have considered the idea appalling, calmly array themselves in the glorified dressing robe known as a 'tea gown,' and proceed to display themselves to the eyes of their admirers. . . . It is absolutely useless and utterly ridiculous; but this is not the worst that may be said about it. It is, to

all intents and purposes, a deshabille; and so great is the force of association, that the conversation is exceedingly apt, nay almost certain, to become déshabillé as well. The gentlemen, in houses where tea gowns prevail, relieve themselves of their shooting attire, and reappear very frequently in gorgeous smoking suits; there is an ease and sans facon about the whole proceeding that favours laxity of discourse, and advantage is generally taken of the latitude afforded. It is easier to take three strides forward than half a step backwards; consequently, when the company reassembles at dinner, the point of departure for the conversation is several degrees nearer to the doubtful borderland of hasarde allusions and double entendres than it would have been without the antecedent symposium en neglige. . . . Old-fashioned prudery has long been thrown aside in the eager desire for more admirers of such becoming raiment; the tea gowns have descended to the drawing-room and the hall, and have become more marvellous and more woyant in the transit. With the graceful négligé toilet there has come in a habit of lounging, which is certainly of most doubtful grace. Hands are not unfrequently to be seen clasped above or behind the head, thus often liberally exhibiting the arm by the falling back of the loose sleeve; feet and ankles are lavishly displayed as dainty slippers are rested on the fender; more ardent spirits recline in ostentatious repose on various sofas. sidered the thing to suit the action to the attire, and exhibit in it the supremacy of ease. Any quiet spirits in the party generally disappear; they feel themselves as out of place among the stray remarks and hasardé stories, as their quiet morning dresses are among the pink and blue and other rainbow-hued tea gowns, with their lavish cascades of lace, and bewitching caps to match. They disappear; and when they again meet their friends at dinner-time, are apt to be somewhat astonished to find how much ceremony has been thrown to the winds in their brief absence, and on how much more familiar a footing their friends are than when they parted from them two or three hours before.

"... It will be doubtless said, tea gowns are far less objectionable than the extremely decollete dresses of which such grievous complaint has been made during the last two seasons. But two wrongs do not make a right; and besides, objectionable as too decollete dresses may be, they are still, by a fiction of society—that unwritten law which is of such infinitely greater force than all the statutes in the judicial archives—considered to constitute the fullest toilette, the greatest possible pitch of grande tenue; and owing to this belief they are by no manner of means so provocative of laxity of conversation as the moral dressing gown and slippers of the tea-gown."]

For the loan of the following cut I have to thank Captain Harold Dillon. His uncle, at Ditchley, Oxfordshire, has a picture of one of the brothers of Sir Henry Lee, K.G., in the time of Elizabeth, with a Rose in his ear, like the fop on p. 78* note, above: the Rose is just stuck like a pen is, between the hair and the ear, showing the flower in front. The dandies must have carrid their heads very steadily, to have kept the flower from falling out. Perchance it had a woman's hair-pin to hold it in.

Irish Costumes. The 1584 edition of the Anatomie, 95*



Irish Costumes in the Time of Queen Elizabeth, from MS.

Edel-vrouve Burgher-vrouve** Wilde Irische** Nöblewoman Citizen's wife Wild Irish

p. 60*. The 1584 edition of the Anatomie.—Since I wrote the Forewords, Mr. Wallis has been kind enough to lend me his perfect copy of the 3rd (or 4th, or 3rd and 4th as Mr. Hazlitt and I now suppose) edition of the Anatomie, of '12 October 1584.' I have tested it in different places chosen at haphazard with the collations of the other editions given at the foot of the original text below, and have found that all of the few important changes there noted as due to E. 1585, had been made before in this (C-D.) edition of 12 Oct., 1584. Out of 58 passages tested (counting the sidenotes singly, would make em full 70) only 4 show small differences. It is clear, then, that Stubbes revisd the 1584 edition more largely than that of 1585, though not so largely as the second of 1583 (August 1) and his last of 1595. The results of my testing follow:—

C-D. has all E.'s readings, p. iii.—2, 3-3, 11-11. p. iv.—6-6, 7, 9, 12, 13.

96* Collation of the 1584 edition of the Anatomie.

viii/6.-2, 4, 6-6 differs, having both A. and B.'s reading, and E.'s: 'a Lamp of light vnto the world, a mirrour of': has 7, 9, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21-21, 22, 23, 24.

ix.-1-1 not in (as not in E.); 6, 11, 12, 13.

x.—Preface left out; as in B., E., F.

xiv.—9. xvi—Greek motto. xvii—3. xix—2. 30.—8-8. 36.—13 differs, having both A. and B. and E.: 'peltes felles & skins' (E. peltes & skins).

38.—6. 39.—2, 'more' not in C.-D. (as not in E.).

40.-7. 41.-3, 4, 10-10 not in C.-D. (as not in E.), 12-12. 68.-7. 70, 71, 72. -has E.'s sidenotes on Starche, A fearfull example, Women's lubricious mindes, and 2 on the Deuil; as well as E.'s headline, 72 foot. But keeps A. and B.'s 'Eprautna,' p. 71, against E.'s 'Antwarpe.'

79 note.—has the 'Deuil's bellowes' sidenote.
82.—8. 87.—has E.'s 'Handbaskets' headline, on back, and 'great paynes' side-note, &c.

96.—17. 97.—4 §, 9 'the' not in (as not in E.).
111-114.—has all the side-notes and headlines markt E. F., and the top sidenote on 113 markt F.

117, notes l. 2.—has, like E., 'Lawyers ruffling in.'

129-136.—has all the side-notes markt E. F., and all B.'s headlines. 139.—6, 10 'very' not in (as not in E.). 152.—9-9.

186-190.—has the side-notes of E., F.; but on p. 188 'A materiall Hell,' like F., against E.'s 'Materiall.' 191.—4, 5.

Mr. Wallis, too, thinks "that the other edition of 1584 exists only in imagination." He adds: "It may interest you to know that my 'Stubbes' has never been 'in the market.' It came from the library at Brookfield Hall, in this county, at its dispersal on the death of my father's cousin, Miss Hannah Wright, some dozen or fifteen years ago. These Wrights were descended from the Dr. Wright, M.D., F.R.S., at the sale of whose books (in 1787) the 'first folio' brought £10.1 He was a Derby man, and closely related to our family. I was told of a quantity (the word applies here) of such books-Horresco referens !- being taken from a loft over the stables, and used for fire-lighting and other base purposes by the grooms."

The title and colophon are given on the opposite leaf. The cut at the back of the colophon is that of the stooping robed man of B.

¹ Lot 1960. Mr. William Shakespeare's Comedies, Histories and Tragedies, first folio edition, bound in Russia leather with gilt leaves. 1623. £10.

1390. The Anatomie of Abuses, made Dialogue-wise by Phillip Stubbes,

² From the Derby Mercury, Oct. 26th, 1786:—"On Saturday the 14th inst. died at his house in Charles Street, Grosvenor Square, London, Richard Wright, M.D., F.R.S., late one of the physicians of St. George's Hospital; only son of the late Mr. Wright, surgeon, of this town (Derby). His remains were brought here yesterday, and interred in the family vault in St. Michael's Church."

The Anatomie of Abuses:

Containing

A Difcouerie, or brief Summarie of fuch Notable Vices and Corruptions, as nowe raigne in many Christian Countreyes of the Worlde: but (especially) in the Countrey of AILGNA: Together, with most fearefull Examples of Gods Judgementes, executed vpon the wicked for the same, as well in AILGNA of late, as in other places, elsewhere.

Dery godly, to be read of all true Christians, every where: but most chiefly, to be regarded in England

Made Dialogue-wife by PHILLIP STVBS.

And now newly remised recognized, and augmented the third time by the same Author.

MATH. 3. Ver. 2.
Repent, for the kingdome of God is at hande.

LVKE. 13. Ver. 5.

I say vnto you, except you repent you shall all perish.

¶ Printed at London, hy Richard Iones 12. October . 1584.

Perused, aucthorised, and al-

lowed, according to the order appointed in the Queenes Maiesties
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At London

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1584.



PHILIP STUBBES'S ANATOMY

OF THE

ABUSES IN ENGLAND

IN

SHAKSPERE'S YOUTH,

A.D. 1583.

PART I.

A 20362

[Collations for the title-page of May 1, 1583, opposite.]

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1—1 description F (1595).

3 corruptions E (1585); enormities F (1595).

4 Christian not in B (1 Aug. 1583), or F.

5—5 the countrie of E; this Realme of F.

7 England F.

9 Gods heauie F.

10 euerie where not in B.

11 Chiefly E.

12 Gent., added in F.

13 And now newly revised recognized and augmented the third time by
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- 18—13 And now newly reuised recognized and augmented the third time by the same Author. E (1585); Now, the fourth time, newly corrected and inlarged by the same Author F (1595).
 16—16 omitted F.
 15 saith Christ not in E.
- 16 Imprinted at London by Richard Iohnes, at the sign of the Rose and Crowne, next aboue S. Andrewes Church in Holborne. 1595. F.

 17 16. August in B, not in E.

 18 1585 in E.

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14 MATH. 3. ver. 2. Repent, for the kingdome of God is at hande.
 Lvc. 13. ver. 5. I fay vnto you (faith Christ) 15 except you repent, you shall all perish. 14

¹⁶ ¶ Printed at London, by Richard Iones. 1. Maij. 17 1583. 18

[1 The collations are on the opposite page.]

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To the 'Right Hono-

rable,2 Phillip Earle of Arundell: Phillip Stubbes wisheth helth of body & soule, fauour of God, increase of Godly honour, reward of laudable vertue, and eternall felicitie, 3 in the Heauens,3 by 4 IEsvs Christ.

⁵ Nobilitas Patriæ Decvs.⁵



HE Lord our God (right honorable) 6 having by the power of his word, created Heauen and Earth, with all 7thinges what foeuer, for the comfort 7 and vse of Man, the last of all other (euen the fixt daye) 8 made [God made man Man, after his owne fimilitude and likenesse, that 10 in likeness,

him he might be glorified aboue all other Creatures. And therfore, wheras in making of other thinges he vsed onely this Woord, FIANT, be they made or let them be made, when he came to make Man, 11 as it weare aduyfing 12 himfelfe and 11 asking councell at his wisdome, he said FACIAMVS HOMINEM, let vs make Man; that is, a wonderful Creature: and therfore is called in greek Microcosmos, a litle world in himsels. And truely he is no lesse, whether a little world in himsels.] we confider his spirituall soule, or his humaine body. For what Creature is theare vppon the face of the Earth comparable to man,

1-1 Christian Magistrates and godly Gouernors of England, whose authority & offices are to reforme vice and maintain virtue, P. S. wisheth the F.

² and his singuler good Lorde added in E (1585). in the Heauenly hierarchie E; om. F.

5_5 om. F. 4 through E. Right Honourable, worshipfull and welbeloued, the Lord our God F. 7-1 other thinges, for the benefit, F (benifite E).

9 to what end? namely inserted in B (I Aug., 1583). he made A, F. 10 to this end, that F. 11-11 consulting with himself, & as it were E, F. 12 consulting with in B.

[² Sig. ¶ 2, k, A.] [³ Sig. A 2, back. E.] [⁴ Sig. ¶ 2, either in body or 1 in mind? what creature hath a foule immortall inherent in his body, 1 but onely Man? what Creature can forfee things 2 to come, remember things past, or iudg of things present, but onely ⁸ man? what Creature beareth the ymage of God ⁴ about with him, ⁵ but Man? what Creature is made so erect to behould the Heauens as man? What Creature may be likened to man, ⁶ either in proportion of body, or gifts of the foule 6? And (finally) what Creature hath the promife of the refurrection & glorification of their bodies, & of eternall life, but onely Man? Than, feeing the Lorde hath made Man thus glorious, and preferred him in 7 8 euery degree 8 before 9 al other Creatures (the Angelicall Creatures fet a part) it is manifest he hath done it to some end 10 & purpose, 11 namely, that he might be glorified in him, and by him aboue all other his works, according to the measure of his integritie, excellency and perfection. 11 And hereby we may learn that it is the will of God, that we 12 bend all our force to the aduauncing of his 13 glorious Name, 13 the edification of his People, and the building vp of his Church, which he hath redemed with the bloud of his deare Sonne.

that he might advance God's name.]

[God made man, to be glorified in

[This was typified by Moses's Tabernacle,

to which all men gave something.] Which thing (mee think) is notably figured foorth vnto vs in the 25 of Exodus, wher the Lord commaunded Moyses to build him a Tabernacle, or howse of prayer, to this end and purpose (doubtles) that therin his lawe might be read 14, his Ceremonies 15 practised, Sacrifices, Victimates & Holocaustes offred, 15 and his glorious Name called vppon and obeyed. To the erection wherof euery one conferred some what, some brought gold, some siluer & some brasse, lead and tinne; other brought silk, purple, skarlet, and other ornaments, and the meanest brought some what; namely, skins, heare, sand, lyme, morter, wood, stone, and such like. Euen so 16 (right honorable) 16 would the Lord haue

1—1 soule? For what creature hath an immortall soule, F.
6 about with him om. F.

^{•—6} whether we respect the lineaments the demensions and proportion of the body, or the gifts and graces of the mind E, F.

⁷ by E, F. ⁸—⁸ many degrees F. ⁹ above E, F. ¹⁰ speciall end B. ¹¹—¹¹ that, as in perfection and all kinde of integritie, he excelleth all other Creatures, so he might be glorified in, thorow, and by him aboue al other Creatures. B.

 ¹² we should E, F.
 13—13 glorie E, F.
 14 read and preached F.
 15—16 duly practized, his Sacrifices and offerings faithfully performed F.
 16—16 om. F.

Dedicatorie.

euery one to conferre fome what, euen fuch as he hath, to the build ing 1 of his spirituall howse, the Church, purchased with the bloud of Christ.2 Wherfore seeing it is so, that every one is to further th spirituall building to his possible power, I have rather chosen, with the fimplest and meanest fort, to bring, though but heyre, fand, skin lyme, morter, 3 wood, or 4 stones, than altogether to 5 contribute nothing

Not doubting, but that the chief Maister and Builder of this howfe, Christ Iesus, will not dislike, but accept 6 of 7 8 my poore con- 18 Sig. ¶ 3. B tribution, no lesse than he did of the poore wydowes Mite, to whom [9] was 10 imputed that she had cast more 11 in Gazophilatium Templi, 11 into the treasury of the Temple, than all the rest; for what she wanted in effect that the fupplyed in affect. And for that, also, the Lord our God committing his talents to every one, whether more or leffe, not onely requireth of vs the fame againe fimply, but also, as a firaight computift, demaundeth interest and gaine of euery one of vs: & for that not only he is a murtherer & a Homicide before God who flayeth or killeth a Man with materiall fword, but he also who 12 may 13 preuent the fame, 14 and will not. And 15 not onely he is guiltie of haynous transgression that committeth any euill really,16 but also he who confenteth to it, as he doth, who holdeth his peace, or he who by any means might avoid it, and either for 17 negligence wil not, or, for feare of the world dare not. Therfore, albe it, that I have receined but one poore talent, or rather the 18 shadow of one, yet least I might be reproued (with that vnprofitable Seruaunt) for hyding my fmall talent in the Earth, not profiting therwith at all, either myfelf or others, I have adventured the making 19 of this litle treatife, intituled and so I've (The Anatomy of Abuses) hoping that the same (by diuyne assistance) shall formewhat conduce to the building 20 of this spirituall howse of the God's House,] Lord.

written my
Anatomy of
Abuses, to help

And although I be one 21 (most honorable Lord)21 that can do least in this Godly course of life (palpable barbarisme forbidding mee so much as once to enter into Wysdomes school), yet for that some wil not,

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2 the Messyas B,
  1 building vp F.
                                                   and F.
                        6 rather accept F.
                                               7 of this E, F.
6 to sit idle and F.
16 it was F. 11_11 om. F.
                                               13 might hinder B.
                               12 vho A.
                                                 16 actually F.
14 same murther F.
                        16 And for that E, F.
 17 through F.
                      18 but the E, F.
                                             19 contriuing F.
  20 building vp & erection E, F.
                                               21_21 om. F.
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The Epiftle

[and from love to God and my country.] vi

[1 Sig. ¶ 3, back, A.]

[4 Sig. ¶ 3. back. B.]

[6 Sig. A 3, back. E.]

[Tho' I was at first minded to suppress my book, my friends made me publish it.]

[I didn't know whom to dedicate it to, till I thought of you, Lord Arundel, whose fame is worldwide.]

for feare of losing worldly promotion (though in the meane tyme they lose the Kingdome of Heauen), Other some dare not for displeasing the world: I say for these, & semblable causes, together with the zeale and goodwill I beare vnto my Countrey, and feruent defire of their conversion and amendelment, I have taken vpon me the contryuing 3 of this book; which GoD graunt may be with like plaufible alacritie received, as with paines and good will I have published³ it for the benefit of my Cuntrey, the pleasure of the God4ly and amendement of the wicked. And I doubt not that as none but the wicked and peruerse, whose gawld backes are tutched, will repyne against mee, so the Godly and vertuous will accept of this my labour and trauaile herein,5 whose gentle fauour and good6will shall counterpoyse (7 and farre furmount with mee⁷) the maligne stomacks and stearn 8 countenances of the other. After that I had 9(right honorable)9 fully perfected this booke. I was minded, notwithstanding, both in regard of the straungenes of the matter it intreateth of, and also in respect of the rudenesse of my penne, to have suppressed it for euer, for diverse and fundrie causes, and neuer to have offred it to the viewe of the world, But, notwithstanding, being ouercome by the importunat request, and infatigable 10 desire of my freinds, I graunted to publish the same, as 11 now you fee 11 is 12 extant.

18 But when I had once graunted to imprinte the same, I was 14 in greatter doubt than 15 before, fearinge to whome I might dedicate the same so rude and impolished a worke. And withall I was not ignorant, how hard a thing it is in these daies to finde a Patrone of such books as this, which sheweth to every one his sin, and discovereth every Mans wicked waies, which indeed the vngodly can not at any hand abyde, but, as it were, mad-men disgorging their stomacks. 16 (Cum in Authorem tum in codicem plenis buccis et dentibus plusquam caninis rabide seruntur:) they rage, they sume, and rayle both against the AVTHOR and his booke. Thus (vacillante animo) my minde wandring

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publishing F.
sustained added in E, F.
austere F.
sustained of God haue the praise therof) B.
sustere F.
sustained added in E, Sustained F.
sustained Added in E, F.
sustained Added in E
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16 and spewing out the poyson of their malicous harts inserted in B.

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too and fro, and resting, as it weare, in extasse of despaire, at last I called to mind your honorable Lordship, whose praises haue 1 pearced the Skyes, and whose laudable vertues² are blowen not ouer the realme of England 3 onely, but even to the furthest costs and parts [3 Sig. ¶ 4. A.] of the world.

All whose vertues and condigne prayses, if I should take vppon mee to recounte, I might as well number the starres in the Sky, or graffe of the Earth.

For, for Godly Wysdome, and zeale to 5 the truth, is not your good [5 Sig. ¶ 4. B.] Lordship (without offence be it spoken) comparable with the best? For fobrietie, affabilite, and gentle curtefie to euerie one, farre excelling many.

For your great deuotion and compassion to the poore oppressed, in all places famous: For Godly fidelitie to your Soueraigne, loue to the CVNTREY, and vertues in generall, euerie where most renowmed.

But least I might obscure your Worthie commendastions with my valearned penne (lytle or no thing at all emphaticall) I will rather furcease than further to proceed, contenting my selfe rather to have giuen a shadowe of them, than to haue ciphered them foorth, which indeed are both infinit and inexplicable.

In confideration (whereof,) not withstanding that my Booke be fimpler, baser, and meaner than that it may (without blushing) prefent it self to your good Lordship (being farre vnworthie of such an honorable Personage) yet, accordinge to your accustomed 10 clemency, I most humbly befeache your good Lordship to receive the same into your honors Patrociny and protection, accepting it as an infallible token of my faithfull heart, feruice, and good will towardes your honorable Lordship: For proofe whereof, would God it might once come to passe, that if not otherwyse, yet with my humble seruice, I might shewe foorth the faithfull and euer willing heart I beare in breft to your good Lordeship, protesting before Heauen and Earth, that though power want, yet shall fidelitie 11 and faithfulnes 11 faile neuer.

[Tho' my book yet take it under your protection!

² (by the golden trumpe of fame) inserted in B. 1 have long since B. vpon E. 7 your great not in E. 6 to E. 10 mansuetude, and pristine inserted in B. hearein added in E. 11-11 faithfulnes and goodwill B.

[It exposes sins, [5 leaf ¶ 4, back. A.]

and you are God's vicegerent to correct sins.]

[19 Sig. ¶ 4, back. B.]

[Reform is needed.

Pride is rife.

Commoners
wear gentlefolks

[27 Sig. A 3, back. E.]
Plays, whoredom, and usury go on.]

And because this my Booke is subject 1(my verie good Lord)1 to a many reproches, tauntes and reproofes as ever was any litle book (for that few can abyde to 3 have 4 their fins 5 detected) therfore I have had the greatter care to commit the same to the guardance and de sence of your honour, rather than to manie others, not onely for tha God hath made your honour 6a Lamp of light vnto the world of true nobilitie and of al 7 integritie and perfection, but also hath made you his substitute, or vicegerent, to reforme vices, punish abuses, and correcte sinne.

And as ⁸ in mercie he ⁸ hath given you this ⁹ power and autoritic ¹⁰ fo hath he ¹¹ given ¹⁰ you a hungrie ¹¹ defire to ac ¹² complish the sam ¹³ according to his will: Which zeal in your sacred brest the Lord in crease for ever.

And ¹⁴ as your Lordship knoweth, ¹³ reformation of maners are amendement of lyfe was neuer more needfull, for was pride (the chiefest argument of this Booke) euer so rype? Do not both Men and Women (for the most part) euery one in generall go attyred in fills veluers ¹⁵, damasks, satans, and what not ¹⁶? which are attyre onely for the nobilitie and gentrie, and not for the other at ¹⁷ anie hand? Are no vnlawfull games, Playes, and Enterluds, and the like, euery where vsed ¹⁸? Is not whordome, couetousnes, vsurie, & the like, dayli practised without all punishment or lawe ¹⁹?

But hereof I²⁰ fay no more, ²¹ referring the ²¹ confideration, both ¹ of these and ²³ the rest, to your ²⁴ Godly wysdome. ²⁵ Beseaching ²⁶ you

1_1 om. F. 2 book subject vnto E, F.

 3 —3 heare their faults discovered) I thought it most meetest to be dedicate to all good Magistrates and men in authoritie, to reforme vice, & maintain vertue: Vnto whom, in al humble dutie I doe willinglie present the same And therefore, as the Lorde God F.

heare E. — a mirror of E.

7 a rare Phoenix of for of al E.
 9 om. F.
 9 his E, F.
 10—10 to reforme vices and abuses, so I beseech him to giue euery one of F.
 11—11 by the operation of his Holy Spirite infused into your heart an earnest F
 13—13 for as you know F.

14 the rather for that inserted in B; For, E.

15 Velvets F. 16 not els? F. 18 frequented E, F.

19 or execution of iustice added in E; F adds, Was there euer seene less obedience in Youth of all sortes both men-kinde and women-kind towardes the superiours, Parents, Masters and gouernors?

²⁰ I nead to E. ²¹—²¹ reserving the good E, F. ²² as well E, F. ²³ as of E, F. ²⁴ your Lordships E. ²⁵ Wisedomes F. ²⁶—²⁶ you F

back. B.

good Lordship 26 to perdon my prefumption in speaking thus much, for (Zelus domini huc adegit me) the zeal of my God hath dryuen me heather.

¹ Knowinge that the LORD hath ordeined you to himselfe, a [You, Lord chosen vessell of honour, to purge his Church of these Abuses and God's Minister corruptions, which, as in a table, are depainted and fet foorth in this Church.] litle 2 booke.1

Thus I cease to molest your sacred a eares any further with my rude speaches, most humbly beseaching 4 your good Lordship,4 not onely to admit this my Book into your 5honours patronage and defence 5,6 but also to perfift the iust Defender therof against the swynish crew of rayling 8 Zoilvs and flowting Monvs, with their complices 9; to whome 16 it is easier to depraue all things, than to amend any thing them felues: Which 11 if I shall perceive to 12 be accepted of your honour, befides that I shal not care for a thousand others disliking the same, I shall not only think my self to have received a sufficient guerdon for my paines, and shalbe therby greatly incoraged (if GoD permit) hereafter to take in hand fome memorable thing to your immortall prayse, honour and renowne; but also shall daylie pray to God for your good Lordship long to continue, to his good pleafure and your harts defire, with increase of Godly honour, reward of landable vertue, and eternall felicitie in the Heavens by Iesus Christ.

[²⁰ leaf ¶ 5. A.]

Columna gloriæ virtus.

Your Honors to commaund.13 PHILLIP 14 Stubbes.8

1-1 Not in E. ² treatise B. 3 om. F. 7 defenders F. -⁴ you F. 5-5 protection F. ⁶ protection E. •- F has the following, and slaunderous tongues, so shall I ackowledge my selfe most bounden to pray vnto god for the prosperous & good estates of you all, whom I beseech for Christ his sonnes sake, to blesse and prosper you in all your godly proceedings now and for euer.

Your Honours and Wisdomes most bounden,

• complies of braging Thrasoes and barking Phormions E.

11 but E.

12 the same to E.

13 in the Lorde added in E.

14 P. in B.

[leaf ¶ 5, bk]

A PREFACE1 .

to the Reader.



Thought it convenient (good Reader, who soever thou art that shalt read these my poore laboures) to admonish thee (least haply thou mightest take my woords otherwise than I meant them) of this one thing: That wheras in the processe of this

[Tho' I blame Plays, Dances, &c.,

I don't want to abolish all amusements, but only the abuses in them.] my booke, I have intreated of certen exercyses vsually practised amongest vs, as namely of Playes and Enterludes, of dauncing, gaming and such other like, I would not have thee so to take mee, as though my speaches tended to the overthrowe and vtter disliking of all kynd of exercyses in generall: that is nothing my simple meaning. But the particulare Abuses which are crept into every one of these severall exercyses is the onely thing which I think worthie of reprehension.

[" leaf ¶ 6]

[Some plays are useful for good example

For otherwise (all Abuses cut away) who seeth not that some kind of playes, tragedies and enterluds, in their own nature are not onely of great ancientie, but also very honest and very commend2able exercyses, being vsed and practised in most Christian common weales, as which containe matter (fuch they may be) both of doctrine, Aerudition, good example, and wholfome instruction; And may be vfed, in tyme and place convenient, as conducible to example of life and reformation of maners. For fuch is our groffe & dull nature, that what thing we see opposite before our eyes, do pearce further and printe deeper in our harts and minds, than that thing which is hard onely with the eares, as Horace, the hethen Poet, can witnesse: Segnius irritant animum dimissa per aures, quam quæ sunt hominum occulis obiecta. So that when honest & chast playes, tragedies & enterluds are vsed to these ends, for the Godly recreation of the mind, for the good example of life, for the auoyding of that which is euill, and learning of that which is good, than are they

and Godly recreation

¹ This Preface is omitted in the editions of 16 August 1583, of 1585, and of 1595.

very tollerable exercyses. But being vsed (as now commonly they [But Plays be) to the prophanation of the Lord his fabaoth, to the alluring and to wantons, innegling of the People from the bleffed word of God preached, to Theaters and vnclean affemblies, to ydlenes, vnthriftynes, whordome, wantonnes, drunkennes, and what not; and which is more, when they are vsed to this end, to maintaine a great fort of ydle Persons, doing nothing but playing and loytring, having their lyuings of the sweat of other Mens browes, much like vnto dronets deuouring the fweet honie of the poore labouring bees, 1than are they exercyfes (at [leaf ¶ 6, bk] no hand) sufferable.

But being vied to the ends that I have faid, they are not to be difliked of any fober and wife Christian.

And as concerning dauncing, I wold not have thee (good Reader) to think that I condemne the exercyse it self altogether; for I know the wifest Sages, and the Godlyest Fathers and Patriarches that euer lived, have now and than vsed the same, as Dauid, Salomon, and many others: but my woords doo touch & concerne the Abuses thereof onely. As being vsed vppon the Sabaoth day, from morning vntill night, in publique affemblies and frequencies of People, Men lie, with music & women together, with pyping, fluting, dromming, and fuch like inticements to wantonnesse & sin, together with their leapinges, skippings, & other vnchast gestures, not a few: Being vsed, or rather abused, in this fort, I vtterly discommend it.

skippings, &c., is

But vppon the other fide, being vsed in a mans privat-chamber, or howse, for his Godly solace and recreation in the feare of GoD; or otherwise abroade, with respect had to the time, place and persons, it is in no respect to be disalowed.

tho' in private it is allowable.]

And wheras I fpeake of gaming, my meaning is not that it is an [Gaming is only wrong when exercise altogether vnlawful. For I know that one Christian may play with another at any kind of Godly, honest, ciuile game, or exercise, for the mutuall recreation one of the other, so that they be not inflamed with co2ueytouines, or defire of vnlawfull gaine; for the [2 leaf ¶7] commaundement faith, thou shalt not couet: wherfore, if any be voide of these affections, playing rather for his Godly recreation, than for defire of filthie lucre, he may vie the same in the feare of God: yet so as the vse therof be not a let or hinderance vnto him to any other Godly exploit.

ixt with it.]

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To the Reader.

[Haunting gaming-houses to win money, is wrong.

I want the abuses of amuse ments removd. But if a man make (as it weare) an occupation of it, spending both his tyme and goods therein, frequenting gaming howses, bowling allyes, and such other places, for greedinesse of lucre, to him it is an exercise altogether discommendable and vnlawfull. Wherfore, as these be exercyses lawfull to them that know how to vie them in the seare of God, so are they practises at no hand sufferable to them that abuse them, as I have shewed. But take away the abuses, the thinges in themselues are not euill, being vied as instruments to Godlynes, not made as spurres vnto vice. There is nothing so good but it may be abused; yet because of the abuses, I am not so strict that I wold have the things themselues remooved, no more than I wold meat and drinke, because it is abused, vtterly to be taken away.

(So in Dress, Noble folk may wear sumptuous apparel.)

[leaf ¶ 7, bk]

And wheras also I have spoken of the excesse in Apparell, and of the Abuse of the same, as wel in men as in women generally, I wold not be so vnderstood, as though my speaches extended to any, either noble, honorable, or worshipful; for I am farre from once thinking that any kind of sump²tuous or gorgeous attire is not to be worn of any of them, as I suppose them rather Ornaments in them, than otherwise.

And that they both may, and, for some respects ought, to were such attire (their birthes, callings, functions, and estats requiring the same) for causes in this my Booke laid downe, as maye appeare; and for the distinction of them from the inferiour sorte it is prouable, both by the Woord of God, Ancient Writers, and common practise of all ages, People and Nations from the beginning of the World to this day.

[But lower folk must not flaunt in velvets, gilt daggers, &c.] And therfore, when I speake generally of the excesse of Apparell, my meaning is of the inferiour sorte onely, who for the most parte do farre surpasse either noble, honorable, or worshipfull, ruffling in Silks, Veluets, Satens, Damasks, Taffeties, Gold, Siluer, and what not, with their swoords, daggers, and rapiers guilte and reguilte, burnished, and costly ingrauen, with all things els that any noble, honorable, or worshipfull Man doth, or may weare, so as the one cannot easily be discerned from the other.

[lam against abuse, not use.]

These be the Abuses that I speake of, these be the euills that I lament, and these be the persons that my words doo concerne, as the

1 be- it is

To the Reader.

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tenure of my Booke, confideratly wayed, to any indifferent READER doth purport.

This much I thought good (Gentle Reader) to informe thee of, for thy better inftruction, as 'well in these few points, as in all other ('leaf¶8) the like, whersoeuer they shall chaunce to occurre in my Booke; Beseaching thee to construe al things to the best, to beare with the rudenes therof, and to give the same thy good-woord and gentle acceptance. And thus in the

LORD I bid thee farewell.

Thyne to vse in the Lord, PHILLIP Stubbes.



(Sig. B i. E, B. J

Phillippus Stubeus

CANDIDO LECTORI.1

ffendit nimia te garrulitate libellus

[I don't wonder, reader, if my book offends you with its worse than Vandalic words and dull themes; so read something more useful.]

fortè meus, Lector; miror id ipse nihil.

Obsitus est etenim verborum colluuione
plusquam vandalica, rebus et insipidis.

Quare si sapias, operam ne perdito posthac
nostra legendo; legas vtiliora, vale.

¶ Idem in Zoils

[Since, Zoilus, you rage like a mad dog, Zoile, cum tanta rabie exardescis in omnes, non aliter rabidus, quam solet ipse canis:

Dente Theonino rodens alios, calamoque, sincessens hos, qui nil nocuere tibi:

Vipeream in cunctos vibrans, O Zoile, linguam, linguam quam inficiunt toxica dira tuam:

Cum debacchandi sinis sit, Zoile, nullus, hora quieta tibi nullaque prætereat:

Cum tumeas veluti ventrosus, Zoile, buso, demiror medius quod minus ipse crepes.

and dart out your viper's tongue against everybody, and can never be quiet, and are always swelling like the frog, I wonder you too don't burst.]

¶ Aliud in eundem.

[To the devil with Zoilus! But why so with one who carries about the devil in his own bosom? Dæmonis ad tetrum descendat Zoilus antrum, hunc⁸ lacerent furiæ, Cerborus ore voret. Imprecor at misero quid pænas, cui satis intus? dæmona circumsert pectore namque suo.

¶ Eiusdem aliud.

Si tibi prolixus nimium liber iste videtur, pauca legas; poterit sic liber esse breuis.

If the book before you seems too long, make it short by reading but little of it.]

¹ This page is omitted in F.
² calomoque in B, E.
³ hunce in B.

. B. In commendation of the Auctors lucubrations. Jou Sages graue with heares so hoare attend what you doe heare: And eke you youthfull gallants all, Gallan marke well and giue good eare. You princely peeres, and Senatours, Peers, in facred breafts imprint: These faiynges wife, and prudent eke, to practize doe not flint. You Bishoppes, and you Prelates all, Bishops, learn here your flock to keepe: Preachers, You Ministers, and Preachers eke, to feade your feely sheepe, You Commons all, whiche doe enioye, Commons, bothe high and lowe degree: Step boldly in amongest the route, and view with fingle eye, This perfect glasse, and mirror pure, which doeth your finnes descrie: And facred precepts doeth prescribe, by name Anatomie. Approche therefore both high and lowe, this Booke fee that thou buye: Buy this book, And learne thy felf by facred lore, in vertue for to dye. To God, to Queene, to all men eke, how thou thy felf shouldst frame: learn your duty To liue, to dye in vertues lawes, to win immortall fame. [2 Sig. B ij. B, E.] ² Loe here (you readers all) the gaine, which you herein maie haue: Delay not then, giue Stubbes the praise, and praise Stubbes.] fince freely he it gaue.

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Loe, here my freende, his freendly harte, which he to Countrey beares,
His taken paines, to all his 1 fendes, with fighes and tricklyng teares:
In his behalfe, I, as his freende, doe humbly of you craue:
His willyng minde accept, and giue hym praife he ought to haue.

[I, Stubbes's friend, ask you to take his work in good part, and praise him.]

Finis.

The apertic diegod' is revy' is addiauxal. B, E.] ${}^{1} \ \text{The}$

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¹A. D. In commendation of the Au-

[Sig. B ij. B, E.]

thor and his Booke.

I F Mortall-man may challenge prayse
For any thing done in this lyfe,²
Than may our Stubbes, at all affayes,
Inioy the same withouten stryse:
Not onely for his Godly zeale,
And Christian life accordinglie,
But also for this booke in sale,
Heare present, now before thine eye.
Herein the Abuses of these dayes,
As in a glasse thou mayest behold:
Oh! buy it than; hear what he sayes,
And give him thankes an hundred fold.

[Stubbes should be praised for his Christian life, and this book which mirrors the abuses of our days.]

1 This page is omitted in F.

² like B.

³ his B, E.

SHAMSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES.

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[Sig. A 1, bk. A; B ij, back. B, E.]

[If profane men get praise for wanton pamphlets,

Stubbes should receive the laurel for this godly book,

in which the vices of the world are displayd.]

I. F. In Commendation of the Avthor and his Booke.

C Hall men prophane, who toyes haue writ, And wanton pamphlets store, Which onely tend to noorish vice, And wickednes the more, Deserve their praise, and for the same Accepted be of all, And shall not this our AVTHOR than Receive the Lawrell pall? Who for goodwill in facred breft He beares to native foyle, Hath published this Godly Booke With mickle paine and toyle. Wherein, as in a Mirrour pure, Thou mayest behold and see The vices of the World displayed Apparent to thy 1 eye. He flattereth none, as most men do, In Hope to gaine 2 a price; But shewes to all their wickednesse, And Gods diuyne Iustice. A Godlyer booke 8 was neuer 3 made, Nor meeter for these dayes: Oh! read it than, thank GoD for it;

1 the E, F.
2 get F.
3—3 hath not beene E, F.
T' HAVTOR A; Th' Author B, E, F.

Let TH' AVTOR 4 haue his praise.

¹The Avthor and his Booke.

[Sig. A ij. A.; B iij. B.]

N ow having made thee, feelie booke, and brought thee to this frame, Full loth I am to publish thee, left thou impaire my name.

The Booke.

Why so, good Maister? what's the cause why you so loth should be
To send mee foorth into the World,
my fortune for to trye?

The Author.

This is the cause; for that I know The wicked thou wilt moue; And eke because thy ignoraunce is such as none² can loue.

The Booke.

I doubt not but all Godly Men will loue and like mee well; And for the other I care not, in pride although they swell.

The Author.

(Sig. A i),

Thou art also no lesse in thrall,
And subject every way
To Momvs and to Zoilvs crew,
who'le dayly at thee bay.

1 This and page xx are omitted in F.

³ fewe B, E.

The Booke.

Though Monvs rage and Zoilvs carpe,
I feare them not at all;
The Lord my God, in whom I trust,
shall soone cause them to fall.

The Author.

Well, fith thou wouldest so faine be gone,
I can thee not withhold;
Adieu, therfore; Gon be thy speade,
And blesse thee a hundred fold.

The Booke.

And you also, good Maister mine, Gon bleffe you with his grace; Preserve you still, and graunt to you In Heauen a dwelling place.





'The Anatomie of

2 the Abuses in AILGNA.

¶ The Interlocutors, or Speakers. Spudeus, Philoponus.

od geue you good morow, Maister Philoponus. Philo. And you also, good brother Spudeus.

Spud. I am glad to fee you in good health, for it was 3 bruted Flying fame abroad enery where in our countrey (by reason of your discontinu- lyeth. ance,4 I thinke) that you were dead long agoe,5

Philo. In deede, I have spent some tyme abroad, els where then in my native countrey (I must needs confesse), but how false that Report is (by whom foeuer it was first rumored,6 or how farre so euer it be dispersed) your present eyes can witnesse.

⁷ Spud. I pray you, what course of lyfe haue you lead in this your longe absence foorth of your owne countrey?

Philo. Truely (brother) I have lead the life of a poore Trauayler The place in a certaine famous Ilande, once named 8 Ainabla, after Ainatirb, 8 but nowe prefently called Ailgna,9 wherein I have lived these seven winters and more, trauailing from place to place, euen all the Land ouer indifferently.

10 Spud. That was to your no litle 11 charges, I am fure. 12

[10 leaf r. B.+]

[Albania.

13 Philo. It was fo, but what than? I thank God I have atchieued [13 leaf 1. E.] it, and by his dyuine affiftance prosperously accomplished it, his glori-chargeable.

3_3 reported F; every where not in B, E. the not in B, E, F.

from thence inserted in B, E, F. 5 agone F.

8-8 Albania, after Britania F. 6 broched B, E, F. † leaf I. The Author a Trauailer. B.

9 Anglia F.

11 small E; no litle omitted in F. 12 F adds was it not I pray you?

[7 Sig. B j, back. A.]

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ous name (worthie of all magnificence) bee eternally prayled there

Spud. And 1 to what ende did you take in hand this great trauayle? if I may be so bould as to aske.2

The causes the author to take this trauaile in hand

[6 Sig. B ij. A.]

The difference betwixt a mass
that * hath trauayled, and a man that hath not.
[* the A; that B.] [13 leaf 1, back. B. †] [15 leaf 1, back. E.]

The benefite of a good Com-panion to tra-uayle withall. Sig. B ij,

Philo. Truely, to see fashions, to acquainte my-selfe with the natures, qualities, properties, and conditions of all men, to breake my felfe to the worlde, to learne nurture, good demeanour, & cyuill behauiour; to see the goodly fituation of Citties, Townes, and Countryes, with their prospects and commodities; and finally to learne the state of all thinges in generall: all which I could neuer haue learned in 8 one place.8 For 4 5 who fo 5 fitteth at home, euer 6 commorante or 7 abiding 8 in one place, knoweth nothinge in respecte of him that trauayleth abroade: and hee that knoweth nothing, is lyke? a brute Beaste; but hee that knoweth all thinges (whiche thinge none doeth but God alone) hee is 10 a God amongest men. And seeing there is a perfection in knowledge as in euery thing els, euery man ought to defire that perfection 11; for in my iudgement there is as muche difference (almost) 12 betwixt a man that hath trauayled much, and him that hath dwelt euer in one place, (in respect of knowledge and science of things,) as is be¹⁸twen a man lyuinge, & one dead in graue; And therfore I haue had a great felicytie in trauayling abroade.14

15 Spud. Seing that by diuyne prouidence we are heare 16 met together, let vs (vntill we come to the end of our purposed 17 iorney) vse fome conference of the state of the World now at this daie, as well to recreate our minds, as to cut of the tedyousnes of oure iorneye.

Philo. I am very well contente so to doe, beinge 18 not a litle glad 19 of your good companie; for Comes facundus in via, pro vehiculo est. 1. A good Companion too trauayle withall, is in-steade of a Wagon 20 or Chariot. For as the one doth ease the painfulness of the way, so doth the other alleuiat the yrksomnes of the iourney intended.

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1 And not in B, E, F.
                                                   3 aske you F.
        3_3 my owne countrey E; my owne countrey at home F.
                                                   5_5 hee that F.
      4 For (in my poor iudgement) E, F.
                                           e or abiding not in B, E.
      7 commorante or not in F.
                                             10 is (as it were) E, F.
      like not in E, F.
                                 12 om. F.
                                                14 F adds all my life long.
11 F adds aboue al other things.
                                                              16 om. F.
 † leaf I, back. The benefite of trauailyng. B.
                      18 reioysing E, F.
                                                 19 glad not in E, F.
    17 om. F.
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Spud. But before I enter combat with you (because I am a countrey man, rude and vnlearned, & you, a Cyuilian indued with great wisdome, knowledge, and experience,) I most humbly beseech you that you wyl not be offended with me, though I talke with you formwhat grofly,2 without eyther polished wordes, or fyled speeches, which your wisdom³ doth require, and⁴ my insufficiencie and inabylitie⁵ is not ⁶ of power to affoorde.⁶

Phil. Your speeches (I put you out of doubt) shall not 7 be offenfive to mee, if they be not offensive to God first.

Spud. I pray you 8 what maner of Countrey 9 is that Ailgna, 10 where [9 leaf 2. B.†] you fay you have travailed fo much?

Philo. A pleasant & famous Iland, immured aboute with the Ailgna a goodly custry. Sea, as it were with a wall, ¹¹wherein the aire is verie¹² temperate, the [Anglia, England.] ground fertile, and 13 abounding with all things, either 14 necessary to 14 fin leaf a E.] man or needefull 15 for beaft.

Spud. What kinde of people are they that inhabite there 16?

Philo. A strong kinde of people, audacious, 17 bold, puissant, and he- The people of roycal; of 18 great magnanimitie, valiauncie, and prowes, of an incomparable feature, 19 of an excellente complexion, and 20 in all humanitie [** Sig. Bij. A.] inferiour to none vnder the Sunne.

Spud. This people, whome God hath thus bleffed, must needes bee a verie godly people, eyther els they be meere ingrate 21 to God, the authour of all grace, & of these their blessinges especially.

Philo. It greeueth me to remember their liues, or to make mention of their wayes 22; for, notwithstanding that the Lorde hath blessed 23 that Lande 23 with the knowledge of his truth aboue all other Landes in the world, yet is there not a people more abrupte,24 wicked, or peruerse, liuing vpon the face of the earth.

Spud. From whence spring all these euills in man? for we see

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1 into dispute F.
                                                      2 rudely B, E, F.
<sup>3</sup> F adds peraduenture <sup>4</sup> and whiche B.
                                                       <sup>5</sup> being such added in E, F.
     <sup>6</sup>—<sup>6</sup> able to perform B, E; able for to yeelde F.
                                                                       7 uot A.
        <sup>8</sup> you then E, F.
                                           † leaf 2. Ailgna described. B.
   10 is England F.
                         12 verie not in B, E, F.
                                                           13 the earth B, E, F.
                                                         16 that Countrey E, F.
   14-14 needfull for F.
                                 15 necessarie F.
   17 most audacious F.
                                   18 and of F.
                                                          19 of body added in F.
   <sup>21</sup> meerlie vngratefull F.
                                         22 workes F.
                                                                   23_23 them F.
                                  24 corrupt E, F.
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euerie one is inclined to fin naturally, and there is no fleshe which liueth and finneth not.

From where spring in mass. [2 leaf 2, back. B.*]

[6 leaf 2, back. E.] We ought to haue no dealing with the workes of the flesh.

The day of

Dome not re-garded.

Euery Man must answer for him selfe. [22 leaf 3. B.+]

Philo. All wickednes, mischiefe, and sinne (doubte you not, brother Spud.) springeth of our 2 auncient ennemie the Deuill, the inueterate corruption of our nature, and the intestine malice of our owne hearts, as from the 3 4 originals of all vncleannes & impuritie 4 whatfoeuer. But we are now newe creatures, and ⁵ adoptive children, ⁵ ⁶ created in Christ Iesus to doe ⁷ good woorkes, which God hath prepared for vs to walke in. 8 Wherefore wee 8 ought to have no fellowship with the workes of darknesse, but to put on the armour of light, 9 Christ 10 Iesus, 9 to walke in newnesse of life, and to worke our salua-[10 Sig. B iij, bk] tion in 11 feare and trembling, as the Apostle saith 12; and our sauiour Christ biddeth vs so 13 work as our workes may glorifie our heauenlye Father. But (alas!)14 the contrarie is most true; for there is no finne that 15 was euer broached in any age, which 16 florisheth not nowe. And therfore the fearfull daie of the Lord cannot be farre of; at which day all the World shall stand in flashing fier, and than shall Christ our Saujour come marching in the clowdes of heaven, with his 17 Taratantara founding in each mans eare, 'arise you Dead, and come to iudgement!' and than shall the Lord reward euery Man after 18 his owne workes. But how little this 19 is esteemed of, & how smally regarded,19 to confider, it 20 greeueth me to the very harte, and there is almost no life in mee.20

> Spud. It is but a follie to greeue at 21 them who forowe not for them felues. Let them finck in their owne finne: lyue well your felfe, & you shall 22 not answeare for them, nor they for you. Is it not writen, vnusquisque portabit suum onus 23? Euery one shall beare his own bur-

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• leaf 2, back. The originall of sinne. B.
    1 from E, F.
                               3 the causes and E.
   4-4 efficient causes and stinking puddles of all vncleannes and filthinesse F.
                                                                  1 om. F.
       <sup>5</sup>—<sup>5</sup> adoapted (sic) children of God F.
                 •- and therefore B, E; and therefore we F.
                                                                  13 so to F.
     9_9 not in E, F.
                             11 with F.
                                              12 speaketh F.
                                                              16 that F.
                                     15 which F.
         14 F omits alas.
                                                         18 according to F.
       17 this dreadfull instead of his B, E, F.
   19_19 daie is feared, thow smally perpended, t and how slenderly regarded
in Ailgna B, E, F. ‡-‡ om. F; S England F.
                                                                    21 for F.
     20_20 would grieue any Christian hart to consider F.
                                                          23 onus suum F.
       † leaf 3. Of Christian charitie. B.
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den. Anima quæ peccauerit, ipsa morietur: the soule that sinneth shall dy. wherfore surcease 1 to forow or greeue any more for them, for 2 they are such as the Lord hath cast of 8 into a 4 reprobat sence, & 4 5 prejudicat opinion, & preordinat 5 to 6 destruction, that his power, [6 Sig. Biii]. A. his glorie, and iustice may appeare to all the World.

Philo. Oh, brother! ther is no 8 christen man in whose hart shineth [The Christian's fcintillula aliqua pietatis, any sparke of 10 God his grace, which 11 will grief at Englishmen's sins.] not greeue to see 10 his brethren & sisters in the Lord, members of the fame body, coheyres of the same kingdom, & purchased with one & the same inestimable price of Christ his bloud, to runne thus 12 desperatlie into 18 the gulphe of destruction and laberinth of 14 perdition. 15 If the least and 16 meanest member of thy whole body be hurt, wounded, cicatriced, or brused, doth not the hart and euerie member of thy17 body feele the anguish and paine of the grieued parte, seking & endenouring 18 them selves, 18 every one in his office & calling, 19 to repaire The mutuall the fame, and neuer ioying vntill that 20 be restored again to his former one members integritie & perfection? Which thinge, in the balance of Christian charity, confideratly weighed, may 21 mooue any good Man 22 to mourn for their defection, and to affay 29 by all possible means 23 to reduce 24 them home 25 again, that their foules maie be faued in the daye of the [25 leaf 3, back. Lord. And the Apostle commandeth vs, 26 27 that we be 27 (alter 28 alterius emolumento) an 29 ayde and helpe one to an other. And that we do good to all men, dum tempus habemus, whylest we have tyme. To weepe with them that weepe, to mourne with them that mourne, and 30 to be of like affection one towardes an other. And common

[30 Sig. B iiij,

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1 cease F.
  3 by all probable conjectures added in B, E; F adds by all likelihood
  3 not in F; of=off.
                            not in B, E, F.
                                                      5_5 destinate F.
      7 and his F.
                                9 not any F.
                                                         9 vlla F.
                                                        11 who B, E.
    10_10 Gods grace, but will grieue, seeing F.
                                             13 headlong into B, E, F.
       12 thus not in B, E, F.
                              15 F adds both of body and soule for euer.
  14 laberinth of not in F.
             16 or B, E, F.
                                                17 the E, F.
  18_18 by al meanes possible B, E, F.
                                             19 nature F.
21 ought to B; mooveth me and ought to E, F. 22 Christian man B, E, F.
          23_23 not in B; assaying by al meanes possible E, F.
        and to bring added in E; reclaime them, and to bring F.
                  † leaf 3, back. The Authors intent. B.
    26 to the vttermost of our power added in B, E, F.
                                                            27 om. F.
 vt simus alter B, E, F. (alteri in F.)
                                             29 That we should be an F.
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reason aduertiseth 1 vs, that wee are not borne for our selues onelie; for

No man born for himselfe. Ortus nostri partem patria, partem amici, partem parentes vendicant: Our Countrey challengeth a part of our byrth, our brethren and frendes require an other parte, and our parentes (and that optimo iure) doe vendicate a third parte: Wherefore I will affay to doe them good (if I can) in discouering their abuses, and laying open their inormities, that they, seeing the greeuousness of their maladies, & daunger of their discouering their seeks to the true Phistion 48 expert

of theyr diseases, may in time seeke to the true Phistion 4& expert Chirurgion 4 of their soules, Christ Iesus, of whome onelie commethall

health & grace, and so eternally be saued.

Spud. Seeing that so many and so haynous sinnes do raigne and rage in Ailgna, as your wordes import, and which mooue you to such intestine sorrowe and griefe of minde, I pray you describe vnto me more perticularly some of those Capitall crimes, and chiefe Abuses which are there frequented, and which dishonour the maiestie of God the most, 10 as you suppose. 10

[leaf 4; Sig. B, v.]

A particuler description of Pride, the principall Abuse¹¹; and how manifold it is in Ailgna.¹¹

PHILOPONVS.

You do well to request me to cipher ¹² foorth vnto you¹³ parte ¹⁴ of those great Abuses (and Cardinall Vices) vsed ¹⁵ in Allgna, ¹⁶ for no man in anie ¹⁷Catalogue, how prolixe soeuer, ¹⁷ is able to comprehend the summe of all ¹⁸ abuses there in practise. ¹⁸ And whereas you woulde have mee to speake of those Capitall or ¹⁹ chiefe Abuses, which both are deadly in their owne nature, and which offende the maiestie of

The number of Abuses [in Ailgna E.] infinite.

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<sup>2</sup> by E, F.
                                          3 to om. F.
                                                              4_4 om. F.
  1 teacheth F.
                               <sup>6</sup> England F.
                                                     7 words doe B, E, F.
  5 inormities B, E, F.
        8-8 abuses and horrible crimes E, F. (vices for crimes F.)
                                          10-10 in your iudgment F.
       9 the not in B, E, F.
       11 in Ailgna (in England in F.) comes after Abuse in B, E, F.
                                  13 unto you not in B. E.
12 discipher B, E; describe F.
                                                                 14 some F.
                                              17-17 competent volume F.
  16 which are vsed F.
                           16 England F.
                                                         19 and B, E.
       18_18 the abuses there practised F.
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God moste. 1 Mee thinke you 2 shake hands with the sworne enemies of God, the Papistes, who say there are two kindes of sinne, the one veniall, the other lethall or deadly. But you must vnderstand that there is not the least finne, that is committed, eyther in thought, woorde or deede (yea, Væ vniuersæ iustitiæ nostræ, si remota misericordia iudicetur: Wo be to all our righteousnes, if, mercy put away, All sinne in it they 3 should bee iudged) but it is damnable, dempta misericordia Dei, if the mercie of God be 4not extended. And againe; there is no finne fo 5 greeuous, which 6 the grace and mercy of God is not 7 able 8 to [8 Sig. B. v. 9 coun¹⁰ teruaile withal, & if it bee his 11 pleasure to blot it out for euer.9 So that you see now, there is no sinn so venial, but if the mercie of God be not 12 stretched out, 12 it is damnable; nor yet anie sinne so mortall, which by the grace and mercie of God may not bee done away. And therfore as we are not to prefume of the one, so wee are not to despaire of the other. But to return again to the satisfying of your request. The greatest abuse, which 13 both offendeth god moste, & is there not a little advaunced, is the execrable sinne of Pride, and excesse in apparell, which is there so ripe, 14 as the filthie fruits 15 thereof haue long fince presented themselues before the throne of the maiestie of God, calling and crying for vengeance day and nighte incessantly.

Spud. Wherfore have you intended to speak of Pride the first of all, geuing vnto 16 it the first place in your tractation 17? Because it is euill in it-felfe, and the efficiente cause of euill, or for some other purpose?

Philo. For no other cause but for that I thinke it to bee 18 not Pride the be onely euill and damnable in it owne nature, but also the verie efficient syning of all euill. cause of all euills. And therfore the wise man was bolde to call it ECCLES. 10, Initium omnium malorum, the beginning and welfpring of al euils. For as from the roote all natural thinges doe grow, & take their

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1 as I suppose added in B, E.
                                                          4-4 taken away E.
     <sup>9</sup> you herein B, E.
                               3 the B; it E, F.
   Iethall nor yet any offence so added in B, E; so lethall or deadly, nor yet any
                                6 but F.
                                                           7 om. F.
offence so F.
          •- pardon and remit, if it be his good pleasure so to do F.
                                                              11 his good E.
     † leaf 4, back. Pride, the roote of all vices. B.
                     12-12 stretched forth E; extended F.
  18 in my judgemente added in B, E, F. 14 so stinckyng B, E; so rotten F.
               15 and lothsome dregges added in B E; dregges F.
       16 om. F.
                            17 discourse F.
                                                       18 to bee not in F.
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[Sig. B vj.] [2 leaf 5. B.*]

What is it but pride dares attempt it.

beginning, so from the cursed 1 roote of 2 pestiferous Pride do all other3 euilles sproute, and thereof are ingenerate. Therfore may Pride be called not improperly, Matercula et origo omnium vitiorum, the mother and nurse of al mischief: for what thyng 4 so haynous, what cryme fo flagitious, what deed fo perillous, what attempt fo venterous, what enterprise so pernicious, or what thing so offensive to God, or hurtful to man, in 5 all the world, which man 6 (of himselfe a very Sathanas,)6 7 to maintain his pride withall,7 wil not willingly atchieue 8? hereof 9 wee haue too muche experience euerye day, more is the pittie.9

Spud. How manyfold is this fin of Pryde, whereby the glorie of God is defaced, and his maiestie so greeuously offended!

Pride is three fold: pride of the hart, pride of the mouth and pride of apparell.

Philo. Pride is tripartite 10; namely, the pryde of the hart, the pride of the mouth, & the pryde of apparell, which 11 (vnles I bee deceived) offendeth God more then the other two. For as the pride of the heart & 12 mouth is 18 not opposite to the eye, nor visible to the fight, and therefor 14 intice not 14 others to vanitie & fin (notwithstanding they be greeuous finnes in the fight of God) fo the pride of apparel, 15 remaining in 15 fight, as an exemplarie of euill, induceth the whole man to wickednes and finne.

Spud. How is the pride of the hart committed?

[16 leaf 5, back. B.†] [18 Sig. B vj. back]

felfe on highe, thinketh 18 of himself aboue that which he is 19 of himselfe,19 dreamyng a 20 perfection of 21 himselfe, when he 22 is nothyng lesse; And in respect of himselfe contempneth, 22 vilesieth, and reproacheth²³ all men,²⁴ thinking none comparable to him felfe, whose righteousnes, notwithstanding, is lyke to the polluted cloth of a menstruous woman. Therfore the Pryde of the Heart maye bee saide too

16 Philo. Pride of the hart is perpetrate 17 when as a man lifting him

[Isaias 50. E.]

What pride of the hart is.

22 there F.

• leaf 5. Three sortes of Pride. B. 3 other not in B. E. 6_6 not in F. 4 facte B, E, F. 5 is there in B, E, F. 7-7 come after atchieue in B, E, F. ⁸ attempt E; commit F. •- euery daies successe ministreth proof sufficient B, E, F. 10 threefold F. 11 the laste whereof B, E, F. 12 and of the B, E, F. 14_14 cannot intice B, E, F. 13 are F. 15-15 objecte to B, E; which is object to the F. † leaf 5, back. Pride deuided. B. 17 committed F. 20 of a F. 21 in F. 19_19 not in E. F. ²³—²³ and despiseth

24 others E, F.

bee a Rebellious elation, or lyftynge vppe of the mynde agaynste the

Lawe of God, attrybutynge and ascrybynge that vnto himselfe whiche is proper to God onely. And although it bee the Lorde, Qui operatur in nobis velle1 et posse, who worketh in vs both the wil and power to do good, Ne gloriaretur omnis caro, leaste anie sleshe should boste of his owne power and strength, yet Pride, with his Cosin germayn Philautia, which is Selfeloue, perswadeth him that he hath neede of PHILAVTIA. no mans helpe but his owne; that he standeth by his own proper strength & power, and by no mans els, & that he is al in all; yea, fo perfect and good as no more can be 2 8 exacted of hym.3

Spud. How is 4 Pride of wordes, or pride of 5 mouthe, committed? Philo. Pride of the mouth, or of wordes, is when we boaft, bragge, or glorie, eyther of our felues, our kinred,7 confanguynitie, How pride of byrth, parentage, and fuche like: or when we extol our 8 felues 9 for any 9 vertue, fanctimonie of lyfe, 10 fincerytie of 11 Godlynes 11 which eyther is in vs, or which we pretend to be in vs. In this kinde of Pride (as in the other) almost every one offendeth; for shal you not have all (in a maner) boast & 12 vaunt themselues 12 of their Auncetors and progenitors? saying & crying 18 with open mouth, I 'am a Gentleman, B, E.] I am worshipful, I am Honourable, I am Noble, and I can not tell what: my father was this, my father was that: I am come of this house, and I am come of that.14' Wheras, Dame Nature bryngeth vs all into the worlde after one forte, and receiveth all againe into the wombe of our mother, I meane 15 the bowelles of the earth, al in one and the same order and manner, without any difference or diversitie at all; wherof more hereafter shalbe spoken.

wordes or of the mouth is com-

ntage, &c.

Spud. How is Pride of Apparell committed?

Philo. By wearyng of Apparell more gorgeous, sumptuous, & precious than our state, callyng, or condition of lyfe requireth; How pride of

1 et velle F. ³ be required or B, E. -3 required of him in this life F. 4 is the E, F. ⁵ of the E; the pride of the F. om. F. 7 affinitie added in F. + leaf 7. Pride vainglorious. B. in respect of E; in respect of some F. 10 of lyfe om. F. 11_11 integrity or perfection F; and the like added in E. 12_12 bragge F. 18 aperto ore added in F. 14 I was borne of this race, and I was borne of that, I am ‡come of this stocke, and I am come of that, ‡ added in B, E, F; but E & F have sprong of [descended in F.] this stock, and I of that for 1-1 16 I meane not in E, F.

apparel is perpetrate & committed.

[3 leaf 7, back. B.†] [4 B 7, back] wherby we are puffed vp into Pride, and inforced to thinke of our felues more than we ought, beyng but vile earth, and miserable finners. And this finne of Apparell (as I haue sayde before) hurteth more then the other two; For the finne of the heart hurteth none but the Author in whom it breedeth, so long as it bursteth not foorth into exteriour action; and the Pride of the mouth (whiche confisteth, as I haue sayd, in oftenting and braggyng of some singular vertue, eyther in himselfe or some other of his kinred, and which he arrogateth to himselfe (by Hereditarie possession or lineall dissent) though it be meere vngodly in it own nature; yet it is not permanent (for wordes sly into the aire, not leauing any print or character behinde them to offend the eyes) But this sinne of cexcesse of Apparell remayneth as an Example of euyll before our eyes, and as a prouocative to sinne, as Experience daylye sheweth.

A decorum to be observed. Spud. Would you not have men to observe a decencie, a comlinesse, & a decorum in their vsuall 14 Attyre? Doeth not the worde of God commaund 15 vs to do all things 15 decenter et secundum ordinem civilem, decently and after a cyuile maner 16?

Philo. I¹⁷ would wish that a decencie, a comly order, and, as you say, a decorum were observed, as well in Attyre as in all things els: but would God the contrarie were not true; for ¹⁸ most of our nouell ¹⁹ Inventions and new sangled fashions ²⁰ rather desorme vs. disguise vs then become vs, makyng vs rather to resemble sauadge Beastes and stearne ²² Monsters, then continent, sober, and chaste Christians.

Our apparell rather deformenth than adorneth vs.

[23 B viij]

Spud. Hathe this contagious infection of ²³ Pride in ²⁴ Apparell infected and poyfoned any other countrey befide Ailgna, ²⁵ suppose you?

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2-2 outward shew and appearance F.
         1 induced F.
                 † leaf 7, back. Men become Monsters. B.
                5-5 not in F; from his progenitors added in E.
                                                       7 is it not so F.
        6 as it were by B, E.
   8-8 Verba cito avolant, et euanescunt in aerem, words soone fly away and
                                           10 of the F.
                                                              11 is E, F.
vanish E. F.
                   eies withal F.
                                                      14 vsuall not in F.
      12 prouocation F.
                               13 prooueth F.
    15_15 vs al thinges to be done E, F.
                                                           16 order F.
                                                                19 fond F.
    17 yes truly I B, E; Yea trulie I F.
                                            18 do not the E.
       20 dooe thei not added in B.
                                                      21 vs omitted in F.
                                           25 countries besides England F.
    22 bruitish F.
                          24 of F.
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¹Philo. No doubt but this poyson hath shed foorth his influence, [* leaf & B.*] and powred foorth his stinking dregges ouer all the face of the earth; [Circes cuppes but yet I am fure there is not any people vnder the Zodiacke2 of heauen, how 3 clownish, rurall, 3 or brutish soeuer, that is 4 so poisoned with Pride. E.] with this Arsnecke of Pride, or 5 hath drunke so deepe of 6 the dregges of this Cup as Ailgna hath; with griefe of conscience I speake it, with forow I fee it, and with teares I lament it.

Spud. But I have heard them fave that other Nations passe them for exquisite 8 brauery in Apparell: as the Italians, the Athenians, the No Cuntrey so Spaniards, the Caldeans, Heluetians, Zuitzers, Venetians, Muscouians, p and fuch lyke: now, whither this be true or not I greatly defire to knowe.

Philo. This is but a vifour, or cloke, to hide 9 their Sodometrie 10 withall; onelye spoken, not prooued; forged in the deceiptfull Mint of their owne 11 braynes: For (if credit may be given to ancient writers) the Egyptians are faid neuer 12 to have changed 12 their fashion, or altered the forme 13 of their first 13 Attire from the beginning 14 to this day: as Iacobus Stuperius, lib. de diuersis nostræ ætatis habitibus, Pag. 16, affirmeth. The Grecians are faide to vse but one kynde of Apparell without any chaunge: that is, to 15 wit, a longe Gowne reaching [15 B 8, back] downe to the grounde.

[Stuperius, B.

The Germaynes are thought to be so precise in obseruing one vniforme fashion in Apparell, as they have never receeded from their first Original; as the said Stuperius sayth in these 16 wordes: Non enim mores leuiter mutare vetustos, Germanus vnquam consueuit incola: Whiche in Englysh Verse is thus muche in effect:

[26 leaf 8, back. B.†]

¶ The Germayne people neuer vse lightly 17 to chop and chaunge Their customes olde, or els Attyre, wherin abroade they range.

[Cp. my Andrew

The Muscouians, Athenians, Italians, Brafilians, Affricanes,

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* leaf 8. Newfanglednesse in Ailg. B.
                    3-3 sauage F.
                                               4 that is not in B, E, F.
 face F.
    or that B, E, F.
                                       -6 this impotionate B, E, F.
7 England F.
                      <sup>8</sup> finenesse and added in F.
                                                         9 couer B. E. F.
                                                  12_12 to chaunge F.
10 owne shame E, F.
                            11 own lying F.
                                            14 of the world added in F.
13-13 or fashion of their F.
+ leaf 8, back. Foreigne guise of Apparell. B.
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32 Brutish fashions in Ailg[na.] The Anatomie

[All nations inferiour to Ailgna for pride of apparel B, E.]

[5 C 1]

[No people so curious in newer fangles as thei Ailgna. B, E.] [6 leaf 9. B.†]

Other countreyes not to be blamed though they go in silks, veluets, and why.

[12 C r, back]

Afianes, Cantabrians, Hungarians, Ethiopians, or els what Nation? focuer vnder the Sunne, are so farre behinde the people of Ailgna in exquisitnesse of Apparell, as in effect they esteeme it litle or nothyng at all, so it repell the colde and couer their shame; yea, some of them are so smally addicted therto, that, settyng apart all honestie and shaine, they go cleane naked. Other some, meanly apparelled; some in Beasts skinnes, some in haire, & what euer they can get 4: some in one thing, fome in another, nothing regarding eyther hofen, shoes, bands, ruffes, shirts, or any thing els. And the civilest nations that are, bee so farre estraunged from the pride of ⁵Apparell, that they esteme him as brauelye attyred that is clothed in our carzies, frizes, ruggs, and other kinds of cloth, as we do him that is clad all ouer in filkes, veluets, fatens, damasks, grograins, taffeties, and such like. So that herby you see that they speak vntruly, that say that other nations exceede them in brauerie of apparell. For it is manifest that all other Nations vnder the fun, how strange, how new, how fine, or how comly soeuer they think their fashions to be, when they be compared with the dyuerse fashions & sundrie formes of apparell in Ailgna,7 are most vnhandsome, brutish, and monstrouse. And herby it appeareth that no People in the World is 8 fo curiouse in new fangles as they of Ailgna7 be. But graunte it were so, and admit that others excelled them (which is false), shall we do euill because they do so? shall their wickednesse excuse vs of sinne, if we commit the like & worse? shall not the soule that sinneth dye? wherfore let vs not sinne of9 presumption with the multitude, because they do so, least we be plagued with them because we doe the like. Moreover, those Cuntreyes are rich and welthie of them felues, abounding with all kinde of preciouse ornaments and riche attyre, as filks, veluets, Satens, damaiks, farcenet, taffetie, 10 chamlet, and fuch 11 like (for al these are made in those foraine cuntreyes), and therfore 12 if they weare them they are not muche 13 to bee blamed, as not having anie other kind of cloathing to couer themselves withall. So if wee would contente ourselues with such kinde of attire as our owne Countrey doeth

Dutch, French added in F.
 a get not in F.
 beaf 9.
 Brutishe fashions in Ailgna. B.

 ⁷ England F.
 ⁸ are B, E, F.
 ⁹ in B, E.
 ¹⁰ Taffeta F.
 ¹³ not in F.

1 minister vnto 1 vs, it were much 2 tollerable. But wee are so surprised 2 in Pride, that if it come not from beyond the feas, it is not worth a straw. And thus we impouerish our selues in buying their trifling merchandizes, more plefant than necessarie, and inrich them, who rather laugh at vs in their fleeues than otherwife,6 to fee our gret follie in affecting of trifles, & departing with good merchandizes for it.9 And howe litle they efteeme of filkes, veluets, fatens, damasks, 10 and fuch like, 10 wee maye eafely fee, in that they fell them to vs for 11 wolles, frizes, rugges, carzies, and the lyke, whiche they coulde 12 neuer doe 13 if they esteemed of them as much as we doe. So that you see they are forced of necessytye to weare such riche attyre, wanting other things (whereof we have store) to inuest themselves withall. But who feeth not (excepte wilfullie blynde) that no necessitie compelleth vs to weare them, having abundance of other things to attire our felues with,14 both hanfomer, warmer, 15 and as comlie as 15 they in euerie respecte? But 'farre setched and deare boughte' is good for Ladyes,16 they fay.

Spud. Doe you thinke it not permitted to any, havinge flore of other necessary clothing, 17 to weare filks, veluets, taffeties, & other [7 Ca] fuche riche attyre, of what calling foeuer they be of 18?

Ph. I doubt not but it is lawfull for the potestates, 19 the nobilitie, the gentrie, 20 yeomanrie, and for everye private fubiecte els20 to weare 21 attyre euery one in 22 his degree, accordinge as his calling and condition of life requireth; yet a meane is to be keept, for omne extremum callinge. vertitur in vitium, euery extreme is turned into vice.22 The nobilitye 23 (though they have store of other attyre) and the gentrie (no doubte) may vie a rich and preciouse kynd of apparell (in the feare of God) 23 to innoble, garnithe, & fet forthe their byrthes, dignities, 24 functions, and callings; but for no other respecte they may not in any maner of

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2 somewhat B, E, F.
  1_I afford B, E; yeeld F.
                                                         3 captinate F.
                                                 5 rather not in B, E, F.
† leaf 9, back. Pride and Pleasure in Ailg. B.
                                         7 parting F.
                                                           8 wares F.
   6 than otherwise not in B, E, F.
 9 them B, E, F. 10_10 Taffetaes, and such, F.
                                                     11 for our B, E, F.
      12 would F.
                              13 not in F.
                                                     14 with-all F.
  15_15 and comlier then B, E, F. (comelier F.)
                                                         16 ladies as B.
    18 of not in B. F.
                                    19 the potestates not in B, E, F.
  20_20 and the magisterie B, E, F.
                                                21 weare riche B, E, F.
                              23_23 omitted in B; and gentrie E, F.
  22_22 their calling B, E, F.
                  24_24 & estates. The magistery B, E, F.
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Maiestrats may were sumptuouse attyre, & why. [3] leaf 10. B.*]

[7 C 2, back]

[Men die for want of food.]

Not lawfull for private subjectes to weare sumpteous attyre.

Hard to know a Gentleman from another by apparell,

[16 leaf 10, back. B.†]

wyfe. The maiestrats also & Officers in the weale publique, by what tytle foeuer they be called (accordinge to their abylities), may were (if the Prince or Superintendent do Godly commaund) costlie ornaments and riche attyre,24 to dignifie their callings, and to demonstrat ¹ and shewe forth ¹ the excelency ² and worthines of their offices and functions, therby to strike a terroure & feare into the harts of the people to offend against 34the maiesty of their callings4: but yet would I wish that what so is superfluous or ouermuche, either in the one or in the other, shold be distributed to 5 the helpe of 6 the pore members of Christ Iesus, of whom an infynite number 7 daylie do 8 perish thorowe wante of necessarie refection and due sustentation to their And as for the privat subjects, it is not at any hand lawful that they should weare filks, veluets, fatens, damasks, gould, filuer, and what they lift (though they be neuer fo able to maintain it), except they, being in some kinde of office in the common wealth, do vse it for the dignifying and innobling of the same.9 But now there is such a confuse mingle mangle of apparell in Ailgna, 10 and such preposterous 11 excesse therof, as every one is permitted to flaunt it out in what apparell he lust 12 himselfe, or can get by anie kind of 13 meanes. So that it is verie hard to knowe 14 who is noble, 14 who is worshipfull, who is a gentleman, who is not: for you shall have those which are neither of the nobylitie, gentilitie, nor yeomanry; no, nor yet anie Magistrat, or Officer in the common welth, go daylie in filkes, veluets, fatens, damasks, taffeties, and such like, notwithstanding that they be both base by byrthe, meane by estate, & seruyle by calling. 15 This is 15 a great confusion, & 16 a general disorder: 17 God be mercyfull vnto vs 17!

Spud. If it be not lawfull for euery one to weare filks, veluets,

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1—1 not in B.

2 the maiestie added in B, E, F.

4 leaf 10. Sumptuous Attyre. B.

4 their office and authoritie B, E, F.

5 and erogate to B, E, F.

6 and subvention of B, E, F.

8 do not in F.
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17_17 in a christian common wealth E, F.

[•] Or at the commandement of ‡ their superintendent, or Archprimate, ‡ for some speciall consideration or purpose, added in B, E, F. (‡—‡ the chiefe Magistrate F.)

¹⁰ England (and so in every other place where Ailgna occurs) F.

11 horrible F.

12 listeth F; lusteth B, E.

13 kind of not in F.

14_16 not in F.

15_15 And this I compt [accompt F.] B, E, F.

† leaf 10, back. Riche ornaments. B.

fatens, damasks, taffeties, gold, filuer, preciouse stones, & what not, wherfore did the Lord make & ordein them?

Philo. I denie not but they may be worne 1 of them who want [C 3] other things to cloth them withal, or of the nobylity, gentilytie,2 or magistery, for the causes abouesaid, but not of every proud fixnet8 indifferentlie, that haue 4 store of other attyre inough. And yet did not the Lord ordeane these riche ornaments and gorgiouse vestments to be worne of all men, or of anie, so muche as to garnish, bewtifie, and fet forth, the maiesty & glorie of this his earthly kingdome: For as cloth of gold, Arase, tapestrie, & such other riche ornaments, pendices, and hangings in a house of estate, serue not onely to manuall vies and feruyle occupations, but also to decorate,6 to bewtifie, & Wherto riche become⁷ the house, and to shewe the riche estate and glorie of the owner; so these riche ornaments, and sumpteouse vestments of the earthly territory of this World, do not onelie ferue to be worn of them, to whome it doth appertaine (as before) but also to shew forth the power, welth, dignity, riches, and glorie of the Lord, the Author of all goodnesse.8 And here in the providence and mercy of God appeareth most plainelye; for wher there is store of other clothing, there hath he geuen lesse store of silks, veluets, satens, damasks, and [9 leaf 11. B.†] fuch like: and wher there is plenty of them, there is no clothing els almost; & thus the Lord 10did deale 10, for that every cuntrey 11 ought to contente themselues 11 with there owne kind of attyre; except necessitie inforce 12 the contrarie; for than we are to vse our libertie, [12 C 3, back] in the feare of God.

Spud. I praye you, let mee intreate you to shewe me wherefore our apparell was given vs, and by whome?

Philo. Your requeste is both diffuse and intricate, and more than my weake and infirme knowledge is able to comprehend 13; yet least when, where, I might bee adjudged vnwilling to doe good, I will affay to doe the cause our best 14 I can.

and for what apparell was

When the Lord our God, a spiritual, intellectible vnderstanding substance, incomprehensible, immensurable, & inaccessible, had, by

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<sup>2</sup> Gentry F.
                         <sup>3</sup> Thraso B, E, F.
                                                       4 hath B. E. F.
5 splendishe B, E, F.
                                 6 decore B. E. F.
                                                              7 adorne F.
8 thynges B, E, F.
                         † leaf 11. By whom App[arell] was giuen. B.
10_10 hath dealt B, E, F.
                                        11_11 should be content B, E, F.
  13 performe B, E, F.
                                                  14 best that B, E, F.
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his woord and heauenly wisedome, Christ Iesus, created and made the world & all things therin contayned, the fixte day he created man after his own fimilitude and likenes, in innocencie, holines, righteousnes, & all kind of perfection, 1he placed 1 him in Paradise terestrial, commaunding² him to tyl & manure the same. Than the deuil, an old maligner of mankind, who before was an Angel in heauen, & through fin s of pride in arrogating to himselfe the seate & throne of Gods maiefly, cast down into the lake of hell, enuying mans glorious estate, which he than had lost, came vnto man in Paradife, & 4 inticed him (oh,5 torteouse serpent!) to eat of the forbidden fruite, wherof the Lorde God had forbidden him to tast on pain of his life: notwithstanding Adam, condescending to 6 his wife her perfwafions,6 or 7 rather to8 the Serpent,9 having buzzed his venemous fuggestions into their 10 eares, tooke of the apple & did eat, contrary to the expresse commandement of his God. This done, their eyes were opened, thei saw their nakednes, & were not a litle ashamed; (& yet before fin was committed, they, being both naked, were not ashamed; but fin once committed 11 they became vncleane, filthie, lothfome, & deformed,) & fewed them garments of fig leaues together, to couer their shame withall. Than the Lord, pittying their miserie & loathing their deformity, gaue them pelts & 12 felles 13 of beafts 12 to make them garments withall, to the end that their shamefull parts might lesse appeare; yet some are so brasen faced & so impudent that, to make the deuill & his members sport, will not sticke to make open shew of those parts which God commaundeth to be couered, nature willeth to be hid, & honesty is ashamd once to behold or looke vpon.

[4 leaf 11, back. B.*]

The fall of man by the malice of the deuill. [7 C 4]

Impudent beasts, [that shewe their primities. E.]

Spud. I gather by your words three special poynts. First, that fin was the cause why our apparell was given vs; Secondly, that God is the author & giver therof; Thirdly, that it was given vs to cover our shame withall, & not 14 to feed the insatiable desires of mens wanton & luxurious eies.

[14 leaf 12. B.†]

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1—1 and placing B, E, F. 2 commanded B, E, F. 3 the sinne B, E, F.

• leaf 11, back. The fall of Adam. B.

• like a F.

• of B, E, F.

• in his wife added in F.

10 her F.

11 contracted F.

12—12 beasts felles and skinnes F.

† leaf 12. Proude Ap[parell] the Deuils nets. B.
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Philo. Your collection is very true. Than, feeing that our apparel was given vs of god to cover our shame, to keep our bodies from cold, & to bee as pricks in our eies to put vs in mind of our miseries, ¹ frailties, imperfections, and fin, of our backflyding from the commaundements of god and obedience of the highest, and to excite 2 vs the rather to contrition and compunction of the³ spirit, to bewayle our mifery, & to craue mercy at the mercifull hands of God, let vs be thankfull to God for them, be forie for our finnes (which weare the cause therof,) and vie them to the glory of our God, & the benefyte of our bodies and foules, ⁵ against the great day of the Lord appeare. ⁵ But (alas) these good creatures which the Lord our God gaue vs for the respects before rehearsed, we have so peruerted as now they serve, in stead of the deuills nettes, to catche poore soules in; for every one now adaies (almost) couet to deck and painte their liuing 8 fepulchres, or erthly graues (their bodies I meane) with all kind of brauerie, what soeuer can be deuised, to delight the eyes of the vnchast Mens bodies behoulders, wherby God is dishonored, offence 10 is encreased, 10 and chres. much finne daylie committed, as in further discourse shall plainly appeare.

Wherfor our apparell was

Spud. Did the Lord cloth our first parents in leather, as not having any thing more preciouse to attyre them withall, or for that it might be 11 a permanent 12 rule, or patern, vnto vs (his posterity) for [11 leaf 12, back euer, wherafter we are of force to make all our garments, so as it is not now lawfull to 13 go in 14 richer arraye, 14 without 15 offendinge [15 C 5] his maiestie?

Philo. Although the Lord did not cloth them so meanly, for that he had nothing els more preciouse to attyre them withall, (for Domini est terra, et plenitudo eius, the earth is the Lords and the fulnesse therof, faith the Lord by his Pfalmist; And by his Prophet, Gold is myne, filuer is myne, and all the riches of the world is my16 own,) yet, no doubt, but he would that this their meane & base attyre should be as a rule, or pedagogie, vnto vs, to teach vs that we ought rather

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<sup>2</sup> exercise F.
                                 3 the not in F.
                                                                4 causes F.
  5-5 at the last F.
                           6 intangle B, E, F.
                                                    7 couet to not in B, E, F.
                             9-9 not in B, E, F.
                                                      10-10 ministred B, E, F.
<sup>8</sup> liuing not in B, E, F.
  † leaf 12, back. The right vse of App[arell]. B.
                                                               12 perpetual F.
                                                                    16 mine F.
  13 for vs to F.
                            14_14 riche attire B, E, F.
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38 No conscience reposed in Apsparell. The Anatomie

In our apparell we ought rather to obey necessity than to feed vanity.

[4 leaf 13. B. †]
Adam his
mean kind of
attire was a
signe of mediocrity vnto va
in our apparell.
[5 C 5, back]

to walke meanelye and fimplye, than gorgiously or pompously; rather feruing presente necessitye, than regarding the wanton appetits of our lasciuiouse mindes. Not-withstandinge, I suppose not that his heauenlye maiesty would that those garments of lether should stand as a rule or pattern of necessitie vnto vs, wherafter we shold be bound to shape all our apparell for euer, or els greeuouslye to offende; but yet by this we may see his blessed will is,2 that we should rather go an ace beneth our degree, than a iote aboue. And that any fimple couering pleaseth the Godly, so that it repell the colde and couer the shame, it is more than manifest, as well by the legends both of prophane Historyographers, Cronologers, and other writers, as also by the cenfures, examples, 4 and lyues of all Godly fince the beginning of the world. And if the Lord would not 5 that the attyre of Adam should haue beene a figne or patterne of mediocritie vnto vs, he both in mercy would &, in his almighty6 power, could, haue inuested them in filks, veluets, fatens, grograins, gold, filuer, & what not. But the Lord our God foresawe that if he had clothed man in rich and gorgiouse attyre (suche is our proclyuitye to sinne), he wold haue bene proude therof, 8 as we fee it is come to passe at this day (God amend it!), and therby8 purchase to himselfe, his body and soule, eternall damnation.

Spud. Than, it seemeth a thinge materiall, and of great importance, that we resemble our first Parents in austerity 10 and simplicity of apparell, 10 so muche as maye be possible, doth it not?

No religion reposed in apparell. Philo. I put no religion in goinge, or not goinge, in the like fimple attyre of our parents Adam & Eua (as 11 our Papistes, Papists? no, Sorbonists, Sorbonists? no, Atheists, atheists? no, plaine Sathanists 11 do, placing all thier religion in hethen garments & Romish raggs) so that we observe a meane, and exceade not in pride. But notwithstanding, if we approched a litle nearer them in Godly simplicitie and Christian sobrietie, both of apparell and maner of lyuinge, we should not onely please God a great deale the more, and enritche our Cuntrey, but also auoyd many scandals & of 12 fences which grow

[13 C 6]

1 oby A. 2 was then, & is now F. 3 both not in B, E, F.
† leaf 13. No conscience reposed in App[arell]. B. 6 mighty E.
7 not els F. 8—8 and so F. 9 moment F.
10—10 of apparell and simplicity of attire B, E, F.
11—11 Sorbonicall Papists B, E, F (F prefixes the).

daily by our excessive ryot, and ryotouse excesse in apparell. doth not the 1 apparell ftyrre vppe the heart to pride? doth it not [1 leaf 13, back. intice others to finne? and doth not fin purchase hell, the guerdon of pride ?

The fruite of

Spud. But they say they please God, rather than offend him, in wearing this gorgiouse attyre, for therby the glory of his workmanship in them doth more² appeare. Befides that, it maketh a man to be accepted and esteemed of in euery place; wheras otherwise they should be nothing lesse.

Philo. To think that the Lorde our God is delighted in the The Lord acsplendente shewe of outward apparell, or that it setteth forth the glory of his Creatures, and the maiefty of his kingdom, I suppose ther is no man (at least no perfect christian man) so bewitched or assorted: For that weare as much as to fay, that stinking pride & filthie sinne tended to the glory of God; fo that the more we fyn, the more we increase his prayse and glorye. But the Lord oure God is so farre from delightinge in finne, that he adjudgeth them to eternall Death and damnation that committe the same. Than, who is he that will take pleasure in vayne apparell, which, if it be worne but a whyle, will fall to ragges, and if it be not worne, will soone rotte, or els be eaten with mothes. His wayes are not oure 3 wayes, his indgements not4 our iudgements, as he fayth by his Prophet: and wheras they holde that Apparell fetteth foorth the glory of his Maiestie in his creatures, makynge them to appeare fairer, than other wyse they would of themfelues, 5 it is blasphemously spoken, and muche derogateth from the No attyre can exellency and glory of his name. For, faith not God by his prophet ture of God Moyses, that after he had made all creatures, he beheld them all, & [5 leaf 14. B.†] behould they weare (and especially man, the excellentest of all other his creatures, whom he made after his own fimilitude & liknesse) excedinge good? And were all creatures good & perfect, & only man not perfect, nor faire inough? If these their speeches were true (which in the fulnesse of their blasphemie they shame not to speake) than might we easily conuince the Lord of 7vntrue speak-

man after his

• leaf 13, back. Hell, the rewarde of Pride. B. * more not in E; more brauely F. 4 are not F. + leaf 14. Man comely of hymself. B. 6 the not in F. 7-7 untruthe B, E, F.

40 Proud App[arell] deformeth man. The Anatomie ing, who in his facred word informeth vs, that man is the perfecteff

Creature, & the fayrest of al others, that ener he made (excepting

the henenly spirits, & Angelical creatures) 2 after his own liknesse,2 as before. O's man! who arte thou, that reasonest with thy Creator? shall the clay say vnto the potter, why hast thou made me thus? Or can the clay make himselfe better fauored than the potter, who gaue him his first stamp & proportion? Shall we think that stinking pride can make the workmanshippe of the Lord to 4 seeme fayrer? Than, why did not the Lord cloth vs 1 fo at the first? or at least, why gaue he not commaundement in his will & testament, which he fealed with the *price of the * bloud of his fonne, to cloth our felfes in riche & gorgiouse apparel to set forth his glory the more? But away with these dogs & bellish haggs, who retaine this opinion,9 that curvied pride glorifieth God, & setteth forth or bewtifieth his workmanthippe in his creatures! In vain is it for me to expostulat with them, for doubtles now hould this, but fuch as be 11 mifecreants (or deuills incarnate) 12 & men 12 cast of [f] into a reprobate sence, 13 whom I befeech the Lord, in the bowels of his mercy, either speedely to conuert, that they perith not, or els confounde, that they hurte not, that peace may be vppon 14 Ifrael. Thus, having sufficiently (I trust) refelled their false positions, I leave them to the Lord, beseechinge them (as they tender their own faluation, linguas compescere digitis, to stoppe their facrilegiouse mouthes with ther fingers, & not to spit

This is our 15 portion acquired by finne.

Spud. But what fay you to the other branch of their conclusion, namely, that Apparell maketh them to be accepted, and well taken in every place?

against heaven, or kicke against the pricke, as they do, anie longer: For the Lord our God is a consuming sier, & vpon obstinate sinners that raine down fire & brimston, & consume them in his wrath.

16 Philo. Amongest the wicked and ignorante Pezants, I must needes

[to C ; luck]

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1 teacheth R, E, F.
2-2 not in B, E, F.
3 But O F.
4 to MN in F.
6-6 not in F.
7 sauage added in E, F.
9 mind F.
+ leaf 14, back. Proude Appa[rell] deformeth man. B.
11 as be not in B, E, F.
12-13 as the Lord hath B, E, F.
18 and prejudicate opinion added in F.
14 vnto F.
15 their B, E, F.
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Enery one is to contente him selfe with his creation, and to prayse God for at.

₽ C ;

l^{er} leaf 24, back R11

The Land our God is a consuming fire to destroy all impenitent sanners.

confesse, they are the more estemed in respect of their apparell; but nothing at all the more, but rather the leffe, amongest the godly wyse. So farre of [f] will all wyse men be from accepting of any for his gay apparell onely, that (be he neuer fo gallantly pain ted or curioufly [leaf 25. B.] plumed in the deceiptfull fethers of pride) they wil rather contemne him a great deale the more, taking him to be a man puffed vp with pride and vaine glorie, a thing both odiouse, 2& detestable to God & good men.² And feeing it cannot stand with the rule of god his The wise will inflice, to accept, or not to accept, any man for his apparell, or any any after, other externe shew of deceiptfull vanytie, it is manifest, that man, doinge the contrarie, is a *Iudas* to the truth, a Traytor to inflice, & an enemy to the Lord: wherfore farre be that from al good christians; and if those that go richely clothed should be esteemed the rather for their rich apparel than à contrario, must those that go in meane and base attire, be the more contemned, and despised for their pouertie. And than should Christ Iesus, our great Ambassador from the king of heauen, 6& only Sauiour,6 be comtemned, for he came in poore & mean array: but Christ Iesus is blessed in his pore raggs, and all others are contemned in their rich & precious attyre. Vnder a fimple cote many tymes lyeth hid great wisdom & knowledg; & swisdom not contrarely, vnder braue 7 attyre formtime is couered great ydiotacy8 and riour pompe of apparell. B, E.] folly. Hereof euery daies successe offreth proofe sufficient: more is [7 C 8] the pytie9!

Spud. Wherfore would you have men accepted, if not for Apparell?

Philo. If any be so foolish to ymagin that he shalbe worshipped, reverenced, or accepted the rather for his apparell, he is not fo wyfe as I pray 11 God make me. For furely, for my part, I will rather wor- 10 Reuerence shippe & accept of a pore man (in his 12 clowtes & pore raggs 12) due to vertue, not to attyre, to having the gifts and ornaments of the mind, than I will do him that B.1] roisteth & flaunteth 18 daylie & howrely in his filks, veluets, satens,

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• leaf 15. No estimation due to App[arell]. B.
2-2 before men and detestable before God B, E, F.
                                                          3 accept of E, F.
           4 after E.
                                                  5 sent from B.
 6-6 not in B, E, F.
                               <sup>8</sup> adiocie F.
                                                     9-9 not in B, E, F.
  † leaf 15. Reuerence due to Vertue. B.
                                                         10_10 not in E.
          12_12 torne cloutes and ragges E; ragged cloutes F.
                           13 flaunteth it out F.
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damasks, gold or filuer, what soeuer, without the induments of vertue, wherto only al reuerence is due. And therfore as any man is indued, or not indued, with vertue, & true godlynesse, so will I reuerence, or not reuerence, accept or not accept of him: wherfore if any gape after reuerence, worship or acceptation, let them thirst after vertue, as namely, wisdome, knowledge, discretion, modestie, sobrietie, affability, gentlenesse & suche like; than can they be without reuerence or acceptation, no more than the sonne can be without light, the fire

Sp. Than I gather, you would have men accepted for vertue &

without heat,2 or the water without his naturall moysture.

true Godlines, wold you not? Ph. I would not only have men to be accepted & reverenced for their virtue (though the 4chiefest reuerence is onely to be attri-

[4 C 8, back] Wherfore man is to be worshiped and had in reuerence.

(All reuer due to vertue

attire. B, E.]

[9 leaf 16. B.+]

Gentilitie without vertue is no gesti-

[An exclent apothegme. E,

[13 D 1]

buted to him, whose sacred brest⁵ is fraught with vertue, as it may well be called the Promptuarie or Receptories of true wisdome and Godlines, but also (in parte) for their byrthes sake, parentage and confanguinitie7; and not only that,8 but 9 also in respect of their callings, offices and functions, whether it be in the Temporal Magistery, or 10 Ecclefiaftical presbitery (fo long as they gouerne godly and well): For the Apostle sayth, that those Elders which 11 gouerne wel amongst vs are worthie of double honor. But yet the man whom God hath bleffed with vertue and true godlynes, thoughe he be neyther of great byrth nor callynge, nor yet any Magistrate whatsoeuer, is worthie of more reuerence and estimation then any of the other without the ornaments of the minde, & gifts of vertue aboue faid. For what preuayleth it to be borne of worshipfull progenie, and to be destitute of all vertue, which deserueth 12 true worship? what is it els then to carie a golden Swoorde in a Leaden Scabbarde? Is it any thyng els then a golden Coffyn or painted Sepulchre, makyng a fayre showe outwardly, but inwardly is full of all stinche & lothfomnes? I remember once I red a certaine storie of one, a Gentleman by byrth and parentage, who greatly reproched, and withall disdayned an other, for that he was come to great authol3rytie onely by vertue,

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1 F adds feare of God, zeale to religion
2 the heat. E.
                       3 onely added in F.
                                                         <sup>5</sup> brest is so B, E.
     <sup>6</sup> storehouse F.
                                     7 discent F.
                                                                <sup>8</sup> for that E.
                 † leaf 16. How to know a Gentleman. B.
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10 a or (sic) A. 11 that F. 12 maketh B, E, F.

being but a poore mans child by byrthe: "What! faith1 the Gentleman by birth,² arte thou so lustie? Thou arte but a coblers sonne, and wilt thou compare with me, being a Gentleman by 8 byrth and calling?" To whome the other answeared,4 "thou arte no Gentleman, for thy gentilitie endeth in thee, and I am a Gentleman, in bthat my gentilitie beginneth in me: " Meaning (vnlest 6 I be deceived) that the wante of virtue in him was the decay of his gentility, and his vertue The exordium was the beginning of true gentilitie in him felfe: for virtue therfore, not for apparell, is everye one to be accepted; For if we should accept of men after apparell onely, respecting nothinge els, than shold it come to passe, that we might more esteme⁷ of one, both meane by birth, base without 8 virtue, seruyle by calling, & poore in estate, more than of fome, by birthe noble, by virtue honorable, and by callinge laudable.9 And the reason is because every one, tagge and ragge, go braver, or at least as braue as those that be both noble, honorable and worshipfull.

Spud. But I have hard fay, there is more holynesse in some kynd of apparell than in othersome; which makes them so much to affecte vary[e]tie of fashions, I thinke.

Philo. Indeed, I suppose that the summe 10 of their religion doth confifte in apparell. And, to speake my conscience, I thinke there is more, 11 or as muche holynesse in the apparell, as in them; that is, iust [12 D 1, back] none at all. But admit that there be holynesse in apparell (as who is No holynes in fo infatuat to beleue it) than 12 it followeth that the holynes pretended is not in them: & so be they plaine Hipocrits to make shew of that which they have not. And if the holines by there attire presaged be in them felues, than is it not in the 13 garments; & why do they than [13 leaf 17. B.†] attribute that to the garments whiche is neither adherente to the one, nor yet inherent in the other? Or if it wer fo, why do they glory of it to the world? but I leave them to their follie, hastinge to other matters more profitable to intreate of.

Spud. But I have hard them reason thus: That which is good in it own nature cannot hurt; apparell is good, and the good Creature of

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1 quoth B, E, F.
                                             2 by birth not in F.
  3 both by B, E, F.
                                              4 repliyng, saide B, E, F.
                                                              <sup>6</sup> vnlesse F.
• leaf 16, back. Vertue maketh Gentilitie. B.
<sup>7</sup> accept B, E, F.
                            * in B, E, F.
                                                     9 venerable B, E, F.
10 and enargie added in B, E; and substance added in F.
                                                                 12 then B.
             † leaf 17. An objection to maintain Pride. B.
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[5 leaf 16, back.

44 App[arell] the Mother of pride. The Anatomie

An argument trimly contryued. God: ergo no kynde of apparell can hurte. And if there be anie abuse in it, the apparell knowethe it not; Therfore take awaye the abuse, and let the apparell remaine still, for so it maye (say they) without anie hurte at all.

[But shortly to fall, without hope of recovery.]

[* D 2]

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[5 leaf 17, back. B.†]

Vnpossible to take away pride, except sumptuouse apparell be taken away also.

Apparell and pride combined together as mother & daughter.

[12 D 2, back]

Philo. These be well seasoned reasons, and substantiall asseuerations in deed; but if they have no better arguments to leane vnto than these, their kingdome of Pride will shortlie fall 1 without all 1 hope of recouerie againe. The apparell in it owne nature is good, and the good Creature of God (I will not de2nie) and cannot hurte, except it be thorowe ouer 8 owne wickednesse abused. And therfore wo be to4 them that make the good Creatures of God instruments of dampnation to them felues, by not vsing them, but abusing them. And yet, not withstanding, it maye be said to hurte, or not to hurte, as it is abused or not abused; And wheras they would have the abuse of apparell (if any be) taken away, and the apparell to remain still, it is impossible to supplant the one, without 5 the extirpation of the other also. For it is trulye said, sublata causa, tollitur effectus; But not fubrepto 6 effectu tollitur causa; Take away the cause and the effecte falleth,7 but not contrarylye, take away the effect and the cause falleth. The 8 efficiente cause of Pride is gorgiouse attire; 9 the effect is pride it selfe ingenerate by attire9: But to begin to plucke awaie the effecte (to wit, pride) and not to take awaye the cause first (namelie fumptuouse attyre) is as if a man, intendinge to supplante a Tree by the rootes, should begin to pull the fruite and braunches onelye; or, to pull downe heauen, should dig in the earthe, workinge altogether preposterouslie and indyreclye. 10 And the reason is, 11 these two collaterall Cosins, apparell and Pride (the Mother and Daughter of mischiefe) are fo combinate together, and incorporate the one in 12 the other, as the one can hardlie be dyuorced 18 from the other, without the distruction of them both. To 14 the accomplishmente wherof, God graunte that those holsome lawes, sanctions, and statuts, which, by our most gracious and serene princesse (whome Iesus preserue for euer)

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1—1 withall B.

† leaf 17, back. Appa[rell] the Mother of Pride. B.

† sublato B, E, F.

The externe B, E, F.

11 is for that B, E, F.

* through our F.

† to not in F.

† to not in F.

† fayleth F.

* fayleth F.

10 and contrarily added in F.

11 is for that B, E, F.

12 plucked F.

13 plucked F.
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and her noble and renoumed Progenitors, have beene promulgate and enacted hertofore, may be put in execution. For, in my opinion, it is as impossible for a man to were preciouse apparell and gorgiouse attyre, and not to be proude therof (for if he be not proud therof, why doth he weare fuche riche attire, wheras mealner is both better [1 leaf 18. B. 1] cheape, easier to be had, as warme to the bodie, and as decent and comly to any chast christians eye) as it is for a man to cary fire in his bosome and not to burne. Therfore, would God euery man might rich attyre. be compelled to weare apparell according to his degree, estat, and condition of life; which, if it were brought to passe, I feare least some who ruffle now in filks, veluets, fatens, damasks, gold, filuer, and what not.2 shold be glad to weare frize cotes, & glad if they might get them.8

Vapossible not

Spud. What is your opinion? did the people of the former world fo much esteeme of apparell as we doe at this present day, without respect had either to sex, kind, order, degree, estat, or callinge?

faults, for Hominis est errare, labi et decipi; it is incident to man to erre, to fall, and to be deceived. But, notwithstandinge, as the wicked haue alwayes affected, not onelie pride in apparell, but also all other vices whatfoeuer, fo the chafte, Godly, and fober Christians haue euer eschewed this excesse of apparell, having a speciall regard to weare fuche attyre as might neyther offend the maiestie of God, prouoke them selues to pride, nor yet offend any of their Brethren in any respecte. But (as I have faid) not onely the Godlie have detested and hated this vaine superfluitye of apparell in all tymes since the be7ginning of the Worlde, but also the verie panims, the heathen Philoso-

⁴ Philo. No doubt but in all ages they had their imperfections ⁵ and [4D 3]

The Godly tested pride of apparell.

leaf 18, back phers, who knew not God (though otherwise wyse Sages and great b. 1

feene in most of their Books yet extant. Spud. Are you able to proue that?

Philo. That I am, verie easilye; but of an infinyte number, take a taste of these few. Democrates beeing demaunded, wherin the Testimonies of

Clarks), haue contemned it as a pestiferouse euill; in so muche as they have writ (almost) whole volumes against the same, as is to be

leaf 18. The godly abhorre Pride. B. 2 not els F. blemishes added in F. 3 them too F. † leaf 18, back. Vertue the comeliest ornament. B. - not in B, E, F.

46 Vertue, the comlyest ornament. The Anatomie

hethen people who derided riche attire.

[D 3, back]

Vertue is the comlyest ornament of all.

[3 leaf 19. B.t]

Diogines his ansuerity.4

[5 D 4]

[The example of a Philosopher, deriding pride. E, F.]

bewtie and comlie feature of man, or woman, confifted? aunswered, in fewnes of speaches well tempered together, in virtue, in integrity ¹of life, and fuche like. Sophocles, seinge one weare gorgeouse apparell, said to him, 'thou foole! thy apparell is no ornamente to the, but a manifest shewe of thy follie.' Socrates, being asked what was the greattest ornamente in a woman, answered, 'that which most sheweth her chastitie, and good demeanoure of body and mind, & not sumptuouse attyre, which rather sheweth her adulterate life.' Aristotle is so district² in this point, that he would have men to vse meaner apparell than are permitted them by the lawe. The Wife of Philo, the Philosopher, being vppon a tyme demaunded why she ware not gold, filter and preciouse garments, said, she thought the vertues of her husbande sufficiente ornaments for her. Dionifius, the king, sente the richest garments in all his wardrobes to the no8ble Women of the Lacedemonians, who returned them from whence they came, fayinge, they would be a greatter shame to them than honore. Kinge Pirrus sente riche attyre to the Matrones of Rome, who abhorred them as menstruous clowtes. The conceived opinion amongest the Grecians to this day is, that it is neither gold nor gorgiouse attyre that adorneth either Man or Woman, but vertuous conditions, and fuch like. Diogines fo much contemned fumptuous attyre, that he chose rather to dwell in wildernesse amon gest brute beasts all his lyfe longe, than in the pompouse courts of mightie kings one daye to be commorante.6 For he thought, if he had the ornaments of the minde, that he was than faire ynoughe, and fine inough also, not needing any more. A certen other Philosopher addressed himselfe towards a kings courte in his Philosophers attyre, that is, in meane, base and poore aray; But soe sone as the Officers espied him, they cried, 'awaie with that rogue! what dothe he foe nie the kinges maiesties courte?' The poore Philosopher, feing it lighten so fast, retyred back for feare of their thunderclappes,7 and repayringe home, appaireled himselfe in riche Attyre, and came againe marchinge towards the court: he was no fooner in fight, but every one received him plaufiblie, and with great submission and reuerence. When he came in presence of the kinge, and other

² strict F. † leaf 19. Philosophers examples. B.

⁴ austerie [austerity] in B, E.

⁵ thunderboltes F.

mightie potentats, he kneled down, and ceased not to kisse his [3 leaf 19, back garments. The king and nobles marueylinge not a litle therat, asked him, wherfore he did so? Who aunswered, 'O noble kinge! it is no The example marueyle; for that whiche my vertue and knowledge could not doe, pher deriding my Apparell hath brought to passe: For I, comminge to thy gates the world. in my Philosophers 4 weede, was repelled; but having put vpon me [4 D 4, back] this riche attyre, I was brought to thy presence with as great veneration and worship as could be.' Wherby is to be seene in what detestation he had the stinkinge Pride of apparell, takeing this occasion to give the King to vnderstand the inormious abuse thereof, and so to remove the same as a pestilent entill out of his whole dominion & kingdome. I read of a certen other Philosopher that came before a king, who, at the same tyme, had inuited his nobles to a feast or banquet: the Philosopher comming in and seinge no place to spit in (for pher who spat in the kings euery place was hanged with cloth of gold, cloth of filuer, tinfell, arrace, tapestrie, and 6 what not 6) came to the kinge and spat in his face, faying, 'it is meet (o king!) that I spit in the fowlest place.' This good Philosopher (as we may gather) went about to withdraw the king from taking pleasure or delight in the vaine glistering shewe, either of apparell or any thing els, but rather to haue confideration of his owne filthynes, miserie & sinne, not rysing vp into pride, and spitting against heaven, as he did, by dilighting in prowde attyre and gor7geouse ornaments. Thus we see the verie painims and heathen [7 leaf 20. B.†] people haue from the beginning dispysed this excesse of apparell, both in them felues and 8 others, whose examples heerin god graunt we may folowe.

⁹ Spud. But you are not able to proue that any good Christians [9 D 5] euer fet light 10 by precious attire, but alwayes esteemed it as a speciall ornament to the whole man. As for these Heathen, they were fooles, neyther is it materiall what they vsed, or vsed not.

Philo. I am able to prooue that even from the beginning of the world, the chosen and peculiar people of God haue contemned proude 11 Apparel, as things (not onely) not necessarie, but also as very euilles world hath

Probation that

1 kneelyng, B, E, F. 2 not in B, E, F, 5 it is E, F. • leaf 19, back. The Heathen dispise Pride. B. 6-6 the like F. † leaf 20. The base attire of the former age. B. 8 and in F. 10 lightlie F.

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pompouse attyre.

Elias.

Elizeus.

Samuell.

[4 leaf 21, back.
B.*]

[5 D 5, back]

The children of Israell.

Iohn Baptist.

Peter.

[The early Church.]

The humility and pouertie of Christe vppon earth. [9 leaf 21. B.†] themselues, and have gone both meanely and poorely in their vsuall attyre. What fay you to our Grandfather Adam, and Eua our Mother? Were they not clothed in peltes, and skins of beasts? Was not this a meane kinde of Apparell, thinke you? Was it not vnfitting 1 to see a woman inuested 2 all ouer in leather? But yet the Lord thought it precious and seemelie ynough for them. What saye you to the noble Prophet of the world, Elias? did hee not walke in the folitude⁸ of this worlde in a fimple playne mantell, or gowne, girded to him with a girdle of leather? Elizeus, the Prophet, did not he in a manner the verie same? And what say you to Samuell, the golden mouthed Prophet, notwithstanding that thee was an Archprophet, and a chiefe feer of that time? did hee not walke so meanely, as Saul, feking his fathers Affes, could not know him from the refte, but asked him, where was 5 the seers house? This must needs argue that he went not richer then the common forte of people in his time? The Children of Israell, beeing the chosen people of God, did they not weare their Fathers attire fortie yeeres togither in the wildernes? was not Iohn the Baptist clothed with a garment of Camels heare, girded with a thong of the skin of the same, in sted of a girdle or fuccinctorie about his loines? Peter, the deere Apostle of our Sauiour, was not distinct from the rest of his Felowes, Apostles, by any kinde of rich apparel, for then the maid would not have said, 'I know thee by thy tung,' but rather, 'by thy apparel.' The Apostle Paul, writing to the Hebrues, faith that the perfecuted Church, bothe in his time and before his dayes, were clothed, some in Sheep skinnes, and fome in Gote skinnes, some in Camels heare, some in this, and fome in that, and fome in whatfoeuer they coulde get; for if it would hide their shameful parts, and kept them from the colde, they thought it sufficient, they required no more. but, to speak in one woord for all: did not our Sauiour Iefus Christ weare the very same fashion of apparell that his Cuntrey-men vsed, that is, a cote without a seame, either knit or weaued 8? which fashions the 9 Palestynians vse there yet to this day, without any alteration, or chaunge, as it is

straunge F
 couered F.
 leaf 21, back. Christ his example for Appa[rell]. B.
 keepe F.
 wouen F.
 wouen F.

[†] leaf 21. Greate superfluitie of Ap[parell]. B.

thought. This his attyre was not 1 very hanfome (one would think): [1 D 6] at the 2 least it was not curious, or new fangled, as ours is; 8 but, as the Poet wel said,3 nitimur in vetitum, semper cupimusque negata, we desire things forbid, and couet thinges denied vs. We lothe the 4 fimplicitie of Christe, and abhorring the christian pouertie, and godly mediocritie of our Forefathers in apparel, are neuer content except wee haue [Modern fundry futes of apparel, one divers from an other, fo as our Presses crack withall, our Cofers brust, and our backs sweat with the cariage therof: we must have one sute for the forenoone, another for the afternoone, one for the day, another for the night; one for the workeday, another for the holieday, one for fommer, another for winter; one of the newe fashion, an other of the olde, one of this colour, another of that, one cutte, an other whole, one laced, another without, one of golde, and other of filuer, one of filkes and veluets, and another of clothe, with more difference and varietie than I can expresse. god be merciful vnto vs, and hasten his kingdome, 7that all imperfections may be doon away?!

 Superfluitic of apparell With dyuersitie of

A perticuler Discription of apparell in Ailgna by degrees.

⁹[Spud.] YOu have borne me in hand of many and greeuous [9 leaf 21, back. abuses reigning in Ailgna,8 but now setting aparte these 10 ambagies and 11 superfluous vagaries, I pray you describe vnto me more 12 par- [11 D 6, back] ticularly the fundrie abuses in 13 Apparell there vsed; running ouer by degrees the whole state thereof, that I maye see, as it were, the perfect Anatomie of that Nation in Apparell, whiche thinge I greatlye defire to knowe.

Philo. Your request seemeth both 14 intricate and harde, 14 consider-

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2 the not in F.
3-3 For of us that Poeticall Apothegme maie very well be verified B, E, F.
   4 this F.
                         <sup>6</sup> wee are F.
                                                   6 and not in B, E, F.
      7-7 for his electes sake B, E, F.
                                                         <sup>8</sup> England F.
             + leaf 21, back. Hattes of sundry fashions. B.
            10 these impertenent B, E, F (ambagies not in F.
           12 more not in B, E.
                                                   13 of B, E, F.
                    14_14 harde and intricate B, E, F.
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SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND : STUBBES.

ing 1 there bee Tot tantæ mæryadæs inventionum, So manie and so fonde fashions, and inventions of Apparell everie day. 1 But yet, lest I might be indged vnwilling to shewe you what pleasure I can, I will assay (pro virili mea, 2 omnibus neruulis vndique extensis), with all the might and force I can, to satisfie your desire. Wherefore, to begin first with their Hattes.

The diversity of hattes in Ailgna.

[10 D 7] [11 leaf 22. B.t]

The sundrye things wherof hattes be made.

⁸ Sometimes they were ⁴ them sharp on the crowne, pearking vp like a⁵ sphere,⁶ or shafte of a steeple, standing a quarter of a yard aboue the crowne of their heades; some more, some lesse, as please the phantafies of their mindes. Other ome be flat and broad on the crowne, like the battlements of a house. An other fort have round crownes, fometimes with one kinde of bande, fometime with an other; nowe blacke, now white, now russet, now red, now greene, now yellowe, now this, nowe that, neuer content with one colour or fashion two dayes 9 to an ende. And thus in vanitie they spende the 10 Lorde his treasure, 11 consuming their golden yeares and filuer dayes in wickednes & fin. And as the fashions bee rare and straunge, so ¹² are the thinges ¹² wherof their Hattes be made, diuerfe also; for some are of filke, some of veluet, some of taffetie, some of sarcenet, some of wooll: & which is more curious, some of a certaine kind of fine haire, 13 far fetched and deare bought, you maye bee sure 13; And so common a thinge it is, that euerie Seruingman, Countreyman, and other, euen all indifferently, do weare of these hattes. For he is of no account or estimation amongst men,14 if hee haue not a veluet or a 15 taffatie Hatte, and that muste bee pincked and cunningly carued of the beste fashion; And good profitable Hattes bee they,16 for the longer you weare them the fewer holes they haue.¹⁷ Befides this, of

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1-1 the innumerable meriades of sondrie fashions daiely inuented amongest them B, E, F.
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²—² not in F.

³ A description of the Hattes of England added in F.

⁴ vse B. E. F.

⁵ the B. E. F.

⁶ speare F.

⁴ vse B, E, F.
5 the B, E, F.
6 speare F.
7 their inconstant B, E; their wauering F.
9 moneths F.
† leaf 22. Varietie of Hattes. B.

^{12—12} is the stuffe B, E, F.
13—13 These thei call Beuer hattes of xx, xxx, or xl shillinges price fetched from beyond the seas, from whence a greate sorte of other varieties* doe come besides B, E, F. (*vanities F.)

¹⁴ them F. 15 a not in F. 16 these B, E, F. 17 F adds:—They have also Taffeta hattes of all collours quilted, and im-

late there is a new fashion of wearing their Hattes sprung vp amongst them, which they father vpon the Frenchmen, namely to weare them without bandes; but how vnseemelie (I will not say how Assy) a fashion that is, let the wife judge. Notwithstanding, howe euer it bee, if it please them, it shall not displease me. An other 1 fort (as phantasticall as the rest) are content with no kind of Hatt without a great bunche² of feathers of diuerfe and fundrie colours, peaking on toppe of their heades, not vnlyke (I dare not fay) Cockscombes, but hattes. B, E, F.] 3as sternes of pride and en4signs of 5 vanitie; and 3 these fluttering sayles [4 D 7, back] and fethered flags of defiance to vertue (for fo they are 6) are fo [5 leaf 22, back. aduaunced in Ailgna, that euery Childe hath them in his hat or cap: many get good liuing by dying and felling of them, and not a fewe prooue them felues more then fooles? in wearing of them.

Spud. These Fethers argue the lightnes of their fond imaginations, and plainly conuince them of instabilitie and folly; for sure I am, hansome they cannot be, therefore Badges⁸ of pride they must needs be, which I think none wil weare, but fuch as be like them selues. But to your intended discourse.

Philo. They have great and monsterous ruffes, made either of Cambrick, holland, lawn, or els of some other the finest cloth that can Great ruffes be got for money, whereof fome be a quarter of a yard deep, yea, fome more, very few lesse; So that they stand a full quarter of a yarde (and more) from their necks, hanging ouer their shoulder poynts, insted of a vaile. 10 11 But if Aeolus with his blasts, or Neptune with his stormes chaunce to hit vppon the crasse bark of their brused ruffes, then they goe flip flap in the winde, like rags flying 12 abroad, 13 and lye 13 vpon their shoulders like the dishcloute of a slut. 11 But wot

broydered with golde, siluer, and silke of sundrie sortes, with monsters, antiques, beastes, foules, and all maner of pictures and images vpon them, wonderfull to behold.

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<sup>1</sup> And another B, E, F.
         5-3 fooles bables if you list: And yet notwithstanding F.
+ leaf 22, back. Feathers, Flagges of vanitie. B.
                                                                  6 be E, F.
                7 Asses F.
                                                 <sup>8</sup> Ensignes. F.
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10 Pentise F. heading: -Of great Ruffes in England. F. 11_11 F has: But if it happen that a shoure of raine catch them before they can get harbour, then their great ruffes strike sayle, and downe they fall, as dishcloutes fluttering in the winde, like Windmill sayles.

13_13 liyng B, E. 12 that flew B, E.

Wering of

52 Great Ruffes and Supportasies. The Anatomie

[* D 8]

Two arches or pillers to vader proppe the kingdom of great ruffes withall, videlicet supportasses and starche. [5 leaf 23, B.*] you what? the deuil, as he in the fulnes of his malice, first invented these 1 great russes, so hath hee now found out also two great stayes to beare vp and 3 maintaine that 3 his kingdome of 4 great russes (for the deuil is 5 king and prince ouer all the children of pride): the one arch or piller wherby 6 his kingdome of great russes is vnderpropped, is a certaine kinde of liquide matter which they call Starch, wherin the deuill hath willed 7 them to wash and diue his 8 russes wel, which, 9 when they be 9 dry, wil then stand stiffe and instexible about their necks. 10 The other piller is a certain deuice made of wyers, crested for the purpose, whipped ouer either with gold, thred, filuer or filk, & this hee calleth a supportasse, or vnderpropper. This is to be applyed round about their necks vnder the russe, vpon the out side of the band, to beare vp the whole frame & body of the russe from falling and hanging down.

Spud. This is a deuice passing all the deuices that ever I sawe or heard of. Then I perceive the deuill not onely inventeth mischeif, but also ordaineth instrumentall 11 meanes to continue the same. These bands are so chargeable (as I suppose) that 12 but sewe have of them:

13 if they have, they are better monyed then I am. 13

Philo. So few haue ¹⁴ them, as almost none is without them; for every one, how meane or ¹⁵ simple soever they bee otherwise, will have of them three or source apeece for fayling. And as though Camericke, ¹⁶ Holland, Lawne, and the sinest cloth that maye bee got anie where for money, were not good inough, they have them wrought all ouer with silke woorke, and peraduenture laced with ¹⁷ golde and silver, or other costly lace of no small price. And whether they have Argente ¹⁸ to mayntaine this geare withall, or not, it ¹⁹ forceth not muche, ¹⁹ for they will have it by one meane or other, or els they

[15 D 8, back]
Euery pesant
hath his stately
bands &
monsterouse
ruffes, how
costly soeuer
they be.

[17 leaf 23, back. B.†]

- ² pillers B, E, F. ²—³ vphold this F. ⁴—⁴ Pride withall F.
- e leaf 23. Great Ruffes and Supportasses. B. e wherewith F.
 - 7 learned F. 6 their B, E, F. 6 beyng B, E, F.
- 10 F adds:—And this startch they make of diuers substances, sometimes of Wheate flower, of branne, and other graines: sometimes of rootes, and somtimes of other thinges: of all colours and hewes, as White, Redde, Blewe, Purple, and the like.
 - 11 instrumentes and F. 12 that comes before as F
 - 13_13 such as are of the richer sort F. 14 haue of F. 16 Cambricke F. † leaf 23, back. Costly shirtes and bandes in Ailg. B. 18 Unde F.
 - 19_19 is not greatly material B, E, F.

of Abuses. Nice Ap[parell] make tender bodies.

will eyther 1 fell or 2 morgage their Landes 8 (as they have good store) 8 on Suters hill & Stangate hole,4 with losse of their lyues at Tiburne in a rope.5

[New kind of Ruffes, called Three stepps and a halfe to the

Spud. The state and condition of that Land must needes be mis- Gallowes. F.] erable, and in tyme growe to greate scarcitie and dearth, where is fuch vayne⁶ Prodigalitie, and⁶ excesse of ⁷ all thynges⁷ vsed.

8 Philo. Their Shirtes, which all in a manner doe weare (for if the The shirts Nobilitie or Gentrie onely did weare them, it were somedeal more tollerable) are eyther of Camericke, Holland, Lawne, or els of the finest cloth that maye bee got. And of these kindes of Shirts euerie one now doth weare alike: so as it may be thoght our Forefathers haue made their Bandes & Ruffes (if they had any at all) of groffer cloth and baser stuffe than the worst of our shirtes 10 are made of now a dayes. And these shurts (somtimes it happeneth) are wrought through out with nedle work of filke, and fuche like, and curiouslie flitched with open seame, and many other knackes besydes, mo than I can describe.11 [In so much as I have heard of Shirtes that have The cost of these cost some ten shillynges, some twentie, some fortie, some fiue pound, fome twentie Nobles and (which is horrible to 12 heare) fome ten [12 leaf 24. B.t] pounde a peece, yea, the meanest shirt that commonly is worne of any, doest cost a crowne, or a noble at the least: and yet this is scarsly thought fine enough for the simplest person that is. B, E, F.]

Spud. These be goodly shurts indeed, & such yet 18 as will not 14 chase their tender skinnes, 15 nor 16 vlcerat their 17 lyllie white 16 bodyes; or if they 18 do, it wil not be much to their greeuances, I dare be bound. Is it anie maruell, fi Cristas erigant & cornua attollant, if they stand vppon their pantoffles, and hoyse vp their sayles on highe, havinge

² or at the least F. 3_3 not in F. 1 eyther not in B, E, F. 4 F adds, and Salisburie plaine.

F adds:—& in sure token therof, they have now newly found out a more monstrous kind of ruffe of xii. yea, xvi. lengthes a peece, set 3 or 4 times double, & is of some, fitlie called: Three steppes and a halfe to the Gallowes.

vaine comes after and in B, E, F. 7-7 thinges is F.

heading in F:-Of costly Shirtes in England. 9 not in F.

¹¹ recount F. † leaf 24. Nice Appa[rell] make tender bodies. B, F. 18 yet not in B, E, F. neither B, E, F.

¹⁵_15 nor yet fret their delicate F. 16 nor not in B. E.

¹⁷ tender fleshe, nor yet make perforation into their added in B. E. 18 it F.

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these dyamond shurts on their ¹delicate bodies ¹: but how soeuer it is, I gather by your words that this must needs be a nice and curious ² People, who ⁸ are thus nusseled vp ⁸ in such daintie attyre.

Nicenes of apparell maketh the body tender.

[8 E 1, back]
[10 leaf 24, back.
B.†]

Our predecessours weringe meaner apparell were stronge[r] than we.

Philo. It is very true, for this their curiofity, and nicenes in apparell (as it were) transnatureth them,4 makinge5 them weake, tender and infirme, not able to abide fuch 6 sharp conflicts and bluftering stormes 6 as many other people, both abroade farre from them, and in their confines nie to them, do daylie fustaine. I haue hard my Father, with other wvse Sages affirme, that in his tyme, within the compasse of foure or fyue score yeres, when men went clothed in black or white frize coates, in hosen of Huswyues carzie of the same colore, 8that the sheep bore 9 them (10 the want of making and wering of which clothe, together with the excessive wering of silks, veluets, fatens, damasks, taffeties, and such like, hath and doth make many a thousand in Ailgna 11 as poore mendicants 11 to begge their bread) wherof some weare strait to the thigh, othersome litle bigger: and when they ware shurts of hempe or flax (but now these are to grosse, our tender stomacks cannot easilye disgest such roughe and crude 12 meats) men weare stronger than we,18 helthfuller, fayrer complectioned, longer lyuinge, 14 and finallye, ten tymes harder than we, 15 and able 16 to 17 beare out 17 any forowe 18 or paynes whatfoeuer. For be fure, this pampering of our 19 bodies makes them weker, tenderer and nesher, than otherwyse they would be, if they were vsed to hardnesse, and more subject to receive anye kind of infection or maladie; And 20 rather abbreuiat 21 oure dayes by manye yeres, than extenuate our liues one minut of an houre.

Spud. I thinke no leffe; for how stronge men were in tymes past, how long they lyued, and how helthfull they weare before suche Nicenes, and vayne pamperinge curiositie was inuented, we may reade, and many that lyue at this daye can testisse. But now,

² womanish kind of F. 1-1 backes F. 3_3 thus pamper their bodies B, E, F. 4 them, and B. 5 and maketh F. 6_6 blustering stormes and sharpe showers F. 7 dayly beare and F. + leaf 14, back. Men strong in tymes past. B. • bare F. 12 a hard F. 11_11 not in B, E, F. 15 we be now B, E, F. 14 liued F. 13 than we not in B, E, F. 17_17 undure F. 18 any discrasie B, E. 19 their B, E, F. 16 abler F. 21 shorten F. 20 and doeth B, E, F.

through our fond (toyes and nice (inventions, we have brought our felues into fuche pufil¹lanimitie and effeminat condition, as we may [' E 2] feeme rather² nice dames and yonge³ gyrles than puissante ⁴agents or manlie⁴ men, as our ⁵ Forefathers haue bene.

[5 leaf 25. B.*]

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⁶Philo. Their dublettes are noe lesse monstrous than the reste; For now the fashion is to have them hang downe to the middest? of their The monstrous theighes, or at least to their privile members, beeing so harde-quilted, and 8 stuffed, bombasted and sewed, as they can 9 verie hardly eyther floupe downe, 10 or decline 11 them selues 12 to the grounde, soe stysse and sturdy they stand about them.

Now, what handsomnes can be in these dubblettes whiche stand on their bellies like, or 13 muche bigger than, a mans codpeece (fo as 14 their bellies are thicker than all their bodyes befyde) let wyfe men iudge; For for 15 my parte, handsomnes in them I see none, and muche leffe profyte. And ¹⁶ to be plaine, I neuer fawe any weare them, but I supposed him to be a man inclined to gourmandice, gluttonie, and fache like.16

For what may these great bellies fignifie els than that either they are Great bellied fuche, or els ¹⁷ are affected that way? ¹⁷ This is the truest fignification that I could euer ¹⁸ prefage or diuyne ¹⁸ of them. And this maye euerye and such like. one 19 judge of them that feeth them; for certaine I am there was neuer [19 E 2, back] any kinde of apparell euer inuented that could more disproportion the body of man then these Dublets with great bellies, hanging down beneath their Pudenda (as I 20 haue faid), & stuffed with foure, fine or 120 leaf 25, back. fix pound of Bombast at the least. I say nothing of what their Dub-

en gourmand-

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<sup>2</sup> rather seeme F.
                                            <sup>3</sup> wanton B, E; wayrish F.
       valorous and hardy F.
                                    • leaf 25. Monsterous Dublets in Ailgna. B.
                   • heading to chapter :- English Doublets. F.
       7 middle B, E, F.
                                                    8 and not in B. E. F.
   neither woorke, nor yet well plaie in them, through the excessive heate †
thereof: & therefore are forced to weare them lose about them for the most part
otherwise they could added in B, E, F. († F adds and stifnesse)
    10 downe not in B, E, F.
                                   11 bowe F.
                                                    12 themselues not in B, E.
          13 as big or F.
                                        14 that F.
                                                      15 2nd for not in F.
   16_16 besides that I see no good end wherto thei serue, except it be to shewe
the disposition of ye wearer, how he is inclined, namely ‡, to gluttonie gourman-
dice, riotte §, and excesse. B, E, F. (‡ as namely F; § drunkennesse added in F.)
                                                         18_18 gather F.
       17_17 would be thought to be such F.
               | leaf 25, back. Pride in Dublets, and Hose. B.
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Dublettes of

lets be made, some of Saten, Tatfatie, filk, Grogram,2 Chamlet, gold, filuer, & what not; tlathed, ingged, cut, carued, pincked and laced with all kinde of cottly lace of diners and fundry colours, for if I thoulde³ frand vpon *thete particularities, * rather time then matter would be wanting.

Spud. These be the strangest doublets that ever I heard of; and the furdett from hanfomnes in every respect, valeffe I be deceived.

diaerse & sandry task K-03s French hoven of two series. E.

⁵ Philo. Then have they Holen, which as they be of divers fashions, to are they of fundry names. Some be called french-hofe, some gally-hote, and tome Venitians. The french-hofe are of two divers makings, for the common french-hole (as they lift to call them) contayneth length, breadth, and fidenes fufficient, and is made very round. The other contayneth neither length, breadth nor fidenes (beeing not path a quarter of a yarde fide) wherof fome be paned, cut and drawne out with cottly ornaments, with Canions annexed reaching down beneath their knees.

Gally hosen E, (* E 3)

[" leaf 26, B.+]

[* Side-note here in B.]

The Gally-hofen are made very large and wide, reaching downer to their knees onely, with three or foure guardes a peece laid down along either hofe. And the Venetian-hofen, they reach beneath the knee to the gartering place to 9 the Leg, 10 where they are tyed finely with 11 filk points, or forme fuch like, and laied on also with rewes of lace, 12 or gardes as the other before. And yet notwithstanding all this is not fufficient, except they be made of filk, veluet, faten, damask, and other fuch precious things 15 befide: yea, every one, Serving man and other inferiour to them, in euery condition, wil not sticke to flaunte it out in these kinde of hosen, with all other their apparel sutable therunto.

. The creat excesse vsed in hosen.

In times path, Kings (as olde Historiographers in their Bookes yet extant doo recorde) would not diddaine to weare a paire of hosen of a Noble, tenne Shillinges, or a Marke price, with all the rest of their apparel after the same rate; but now it is a small matter to bestowe twentie nobles, ten pound, twentie pound, fortie pound, yea, a

² grograine B, E, F. * could F. 1 diuers B, E, F. b heading in F: Costly Hosen in Englande. 4-4 particularlie F. 7 adioyned F. of F. 6 Gallie in B, E; Gallie hosen F. † leaf 26. Great excesse in hose. B. 10 beneathe the knee added in B. 12 of lace not in F. 13 stuffe F.

hundred pound of one paire of Breeches. (God be mercifull unto us /) 1 Spud. This is a wunderful excesse as ever I hearde of, woorthy with the Swoorde 2 of Iustice rather to be punished, then with paper and pen to be 8 fo gentlie 8 confuteed.4

⁵ Philo. Then have they nether-stocks to these gay hosen, not [5 E 3, back] of cloth (though neuer so fine) for that is thought to base, but of The diversity Iarnsey worsted, filk, thred, and such like, or els at the least of the stocks worne finest yarn that can be,7 and so curiouslye knit with open seam down the leg, with quirks and clocks about the ancles, ⁸ and fometime [8 leaf s6, back B.†] (haply) interlaced with gold or filuer threds, as is wunderful to behold. And to fuch infolency & 10 outrage it is now growen, that euery one (almost) though otherwise verie poor, having scarce fortie shillings of wages by the yeer, wil 11 be fure 11 to have two or three paire of these filk neither-stocks, or els of the finest yarne that may be got, though the price of them be a Ryall 12 or twentie shillinges or more, as commonly it is; for how can they be lesse, when as the very knitting of them is worth a noble or a royall, and some much more? The time hath beene when one might have clothed all his body well 18 for lesse then a pair of these neither-stocks wil cost.

The miserie of

in Ailgna.

Spud. I have seldome hearde the like: I think verely that Sathan, prince of darknes & Father of pride, is let loose in the 14 land, els it could never so rage 15 as it dooth; for the like pride (I am fully perswaded) is not vsed vnder the sonne of any nation or people how barberous so euer: wherfore wo be to this age, and thrise accursed be these dayes, which bring 16 foorth 17 such sowre 18 frutes; & vnhappie [17 E 4] are that people whom Sathan hath so bewitched & 19 captived in sin. The Lord holde his hand of mercy ouer vs / 19

Philo. To these their nether-stocks, they have corked shooes, pinsnets, and fine pantofles, which beare them vp 20 a finger or two 20

1 and yet is this thought no abuse neither added in B, E, F. 6 crewell added in B, E, F. * Rodde F. 3-3 not in F. 4 confuted F. 7 be got F. • heading to chapter: - Costly Nether Stockins in England. F. † leaf 26, back. Costly netherstockes in Ailgna. B. 9 such impudent B, E, F. 10 and shamefull B, E, F. 11-11 not sticke B, E, F. 12 royal F. 13 from top to toe added in F. 14 that F. 15 so far exceed F. 16 bringeth F. vnsauorie B, E, F. 19-19 captivate in Pride. (heading) Corked shooes in England, F. ²⁰—²⁰ two inches or more F.

orked shoes antoffles and insnets. leaf 27. B.*]

house, or in a mans Chamber to keepe him warme? (for this is the onely vie wherto they best serue in my judgement) but to go abroad in them, as they are now vsed al together, is rather a let or hinderance ippers are a let those that to a man then otherwise; for shall he not be faine to knock and spurn at every 4 stone, wall, 4 or poste to keep them on his feet? 5 wherfore, to disclose even the bowels of my judgement vnto you,5 I think they be

antoffles vnasie to go in.

antoffles &

o abrode in iem.

3 E 4, back]

11 leaf 27, back.

burthen. 10

Spud. Those kinde of pantoffles can neither 11 be so handsome, nor yet so warme as other vsuall 12 common shoes be, I think. Therfore the weringe of them abrode rather importeth a Nicenes (as you fay) in them that we re them, than bringeth any other commodytie, els vnlesse I be deceived.

from the ground; wherof some be of white leather, some 1 of black,

and some of red, some of black veluet, some of white, some of red,

fome of green, raced, carued, cut, and stitched all ouer with filk, and laid on with golde, filuer, and fuch like: yet, notwithflanding,2 to what good vies ferue these pantofles,8 except it be to wear in a private

rather worne abrode for nicenes, then either for any ease which they bring (for the contrary is moste true), or any hansomnes which is in

them. For how should they be easie, when 6 as the heele hangeth an inch or two ouer the slipper on 7 the ground? Infomuch as I have

knowen divers mens legs fwel with the fame. 8 And handsome how should they be, when 9 as with their flipping & flapping 9 vp and down in the dirte 10 they exaggerate a mountain of mire, & gather a heape of clay & baggage together, loding the wearer with importable

he varytie f coates and

¹³ Philo. Their coates and Ierkins, as they be diverse in colors, so be they diuerse in fashions; for some be made with colors, some without, fome close to the bodie, fome loose, 14 couering the whole

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<sup>2</sup> I see not added in F.
• leaf 27. Greate excesse in shooes. B.
  3 doe serue added in F.
                                                  4-4 wall, stone F.
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5-5 And therefore to tell you what I iudge of them F.

6 a man can not goe steadfastly in them, without slipping and sliding at euery pace ready to fall doune: Againe how should thei be easie where added in B, E, F.

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7 from B, E, F.
                                        9-9 they go flip flap F.
      10-10 casting vp mire to the knees of the wearer F.
† leaf 27, back. Coates and Ierkins. B.
                                                     12 not in F.
        18 heading in F:-Coates and Ierkins in England.
             14 which they cal Mandilians E, F.
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body downe to the theighe, like baggs or facks that we re drawen ouer them, hidinge the dimensions and proportions of the body: [The shapes of fome are buttened downe the brest, some vnder the arme, & some kins.] downe the back; fome with flappes ouer the breft, fome without, fome with great fleeues, fome with small, and 2 some with non at all 2; fome pleated and crefted behind, & curiouflye gathered; fome not fo⁸; & how many dayes ⁴(I might fay houres, or minuts of houres, ⁴ in the yeare) so many sortes of apparell some 5 one man will have, and thinketh it good prouision in faire weather to lay vp against 6 a storme !6 But if 7 they would confider that their clothes (except those that they [7 E 5] weare vppon their backs) be non of theirs, but the poores, they would not heap vp their presses and wardrobes as they do. Do they think that it is lawfull for them to have millions gof fundry fortes of apparell lying rotting by them, when as the poore members of Iesus 9 Christe die at their doores for wante of clothing? God commaundeth in his law, that there be no miserable poore man, nor begger amongest vs, but that every one be provided for and maintained of that abundance 10 which God hath bleffed vs withal. But we thinke it a great matter if we geue them an old ragged coate, dublet, or a paire of hosen, or els a penny or two, wheras not withstanding we flow in abundance of all things. Than we thinke we are halfe way to heauen, and we need to do no more. If we geue them a peace of brown bread, a messe of porredge (nay, the stocks & prison, with whippinge cheare now and than, is the best portion of almes which many Gentlemen geue) at our dores, it is counted meritorious, and a worke of supererogation, when we fare full delicatelye oure selues, feeding on many a dainty 11 dish. There is a certen Citye in Ailgna called Munidnol, 12 where as the poore lye in the 13 streats vppon pallets of straw, and well if they have that to, or els in the mire and dirt, as commonlie it is feene, 14 having neither house to put in their heads, Cold charitie couering to keep them from the cold, nor yet to hide their shame withall, penny to buy them fustenance, nor any thing els, but are permitted 15 to dye in the streats like dogges, or beasts, without anie

Our smal re-

[Londinum in Anglia.]

¹ lineaments B, E, F. 2-2 not in F. 8 so not in B, E, F. 4_4 not in F. 6-6 foule F. 5 some some (sic) F. 8_8 of sutes F.

[†] leaf 28. Cold Charitie in Ailgna. B. 10 store F. 11 danity A.

¹² Londou F. 13 the not in F. 15 suffered B, E, F.

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mercie or compassion shewed to them at all. And if anye be

[3 leaf 28, back, B.*]

The Turkish impietic of some towards the poore diseased.

ficke of the plague (as they call it) or any other disease, their Maisters and Maisters are so impudent so (being, it should seeme, at a league with Sathan, a couenante with Hell, and sa it were obliged them-selues by obligation to the deuil neuer to have to do with the works of mercy) as straight way thei throw them out of their dores. And so being caried foorth, either in carts or otherwyse, and thrown in the streats, there they end their dayes most miserably. Truely, Brother, if I had not seen it, I would scarsly have thought that the like Turkish cruelty had bene vsed in all to the World. But they say wous testis occulatus plus valet quam mille auriti, one eye witnesse is better to be belyued than a thousand eare witnesses besydes. But to leave these excursions, and to returne from whence I have digressed, I think it the best; for I am perswaded, they will the much respect the preaching so four Sauiour Christe Iesus; that is, inst nothing at all.

¹⁵ Spud. Well then, feeing they are fuche a stifneckned People, leave them to the Lord; and proceed to your former tractation. ¹⁶

¹⁷ Philo. They have clokes there also in nothing discrepante ¹⁸ from the rest, of dyuerse and fundry colors, white, red, tawnie, black, greene, yellowe, russet, purple, violet, and insynite other colors: some of cloth, filk, veluet, tassetie, ¹⁹ and such like, wherof some be of the Spanish, French, & Dutch sashion ²⁰: Some short, scarsely reachinge to the gyrdlestead, or wast, some to the knee, and othersome traylinge vppon the ground (almost) liker gownes than clokes. ²¹ These clokes must be garded, laced, & thorowly faced; and somtimes ²¹ so lyned as the inner side standeth almost in as much as the

[15 E 6]

The sundry fashions of cloks.

[19 leaf 29, B.+]

other mortall B, E, F.

* Mistresses F.

* leaf 28, back. Turkishe impietie in Ailgna. B.

4 hauing made B, E, F (as added in F.)
5 at not in B, E, F.
6—6 an B, E; scaled an an F.
7 with B, E, F.

8_8 are laied doune either B, E, F; but E F have or laide

** or els conucied to some olde house in the fieldes, or gardens, where for want of due sustentation B, E, F. (and good tending added in F.)

10 any place of F. 11—11 regard as much F. 12 former B. 18 at not in F.

of Noah, or the latter worlde at the preachyng added in B, E, F.

le discourse F.

17 heading in F: Cloakes in Englande.

 outfide: fome haue fleeues, otherfome haue none; fome haue hoodes to pull ouer the head, some haue none; some are hanged with points & taffels of gold, filuer, or filk, some without al this. But how foeuer1 it be, the day hath bene when one might haue bought him

two clokes for lesse than now he can have one of these clokes made for,2 they have such store of workmanship bestowed uppon them.

Spud. I am fure they neuer learned this 3 at the hands of our Proconful, and chief Prouost, 3 Christ Iesus, nor of any other that euer lyued godly in the Lord; but rather out of the deceiptfull forge of their own braines have they 4drawen 5 this 6 curfed Anatomy 6 to their owne [4 E 6, back]

destruction 7 in the end, except the 8 repente.

⁹ Philo. They have also bootehose which are to be wondered at; for they be of the fynest cloth that may be got, yea, fine inough to make any band, ruffe, or shurt 11 needful to be worn: yet this is bad inough to were next their grefie boots. And would 12 God this weare all 13: but (oh,14 phy for thame !) they must be wrought all ouer, from the gartering place vpward, with nedle worke, clogged with filk of all colors, with birds, foules, beafts, and antiques purtrayed all ouer in comlie 15 forte. 16 So that I have knowen the very nedle work of some one payre of these bootehose to stand, some in iii pound, vi. pound, and some in x. pound a peece. Besides this, they are made so wyde to draw ouer all, and so longe to reach vp to the waste, that as litle, or lesse, clothe would make one a reasonable large shurte. But tush! this is nothing in comparison of the reste.

Spud. I would thinke that boote-hosen of grosser lynnen, or els of 17 wollen clothe, we are both warmer to ride in, as comly as the other, though not so fine, and a great deal more durable. And as for

either of golde, siluer, or at the least of silke three or fower fingers broade doune the back, about the skirtes, and every where els. And now of late thei vse to garde their clokes rounde about the skirtes with (bables) I should saie Bugles, and Bugled clokes. other kinde of glasse, and all to shine to the eye. Besides al this, thei are so faced, and withal B, E, F.

1 howeuer E, F. 2 for not in F. 3-3 of our sauiour F. 6-6 filthy poyson F. 7 confusion B, E, F. ⁵ sucked E, F. † leaf 29, back. Great excesse, in Boote hose. B. Heading in F: Boothose 10_10 not in E. in England. 11 shirt of F.

13 all too F. 14 oh not in F. 15 sumptuous B, E, F. 12 would to E, F. 16 yea and of late, imbroydered with Golde and Siluer very costly added in F. 17 of not in E.

The counting house of all euill is mans

[9 leaf 29, back. B.+] 10 The vain ex-

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those geugawes wherwith you say they be blaunched and trimmed, they serue to no end but to feade the wanton eyes of gazing fools, & planly argue the vertiginie, and instability of their more than fantastical brains.

[* E 7] Swords and daggers guilt & damasked. [* leaf 30. B.†]

[Scabbards and sheaths of velvet.]

[Why gilt swordes, and daggers be worne, E, F]

Lucc. 16.

¹Phil. To these have they their Rapiers, Swoords and Daggers, gilt twife or thrife 2 ouer the hilts, with 3 [good Angell golde, or els argented ouer with filuer both within and without, and if it be true as I heare fay it is, there be some hiltes made all of pure filter itself, and couered with golde. Othersome at the least are Damasked, Vernished, and ingrauen marueilous goodly: and least any thyng should be wantyng to set forthe their pride, their] scaberds and sheathes of Veluet or the like; for leather, though it be more proffitable and as feemely, yet wil it not carie fuch a 5 porte or countenance like6 the5 other. And wil not these golden swoords & daggers almoste apale a man? (though otherwise neuer so stout a Martialist) to have any deling with them? for either to that end they be worne, or els other fwoords, daggers and rapiers of bare yron and steele were as hanfom as they, & much more conducible⁸ to that end whereto fwoords and rapiers should serue, namely, for a mans lawful and godly defence against his adversarie in time of necessitie. But wherfore they be so clogged with gold and filuer I know not, nor yet wherto this excesse serveth I see not; but certain I am, a great shewe of pride it is, an infallible token of vain glorie, and a greenous offence to God, so prodigallie and licentiouslie 10 to lauish foorth his treasure, for which we must render accounts at the day of Iudgement, when it shall be saide to euerie one, Redde rationem Vilicationis tue. Come, giue accounts of thy Stewardship.

1 Heading in F:—Rapiers, Daggers, Swords, gilte in Englande.

† leaf 30. Swordes, Rapiers, and Daggers. B.

4 are of B, E, F.

5 Maiesty or glorious shewe as the F.

5 thinke you added in F.

6 auaileable F.

9 that is F.

10 wastfully F.

* A particulare Discription of the Abuses of Womens* apparell in Ailgna.

THus havinge geuen thee a³ superficiall viewe, ⁵ or small tast⁵ (but not discovered the hundreth part) of the guyses of Ailgna in mens apparel, and of the abuses contained in the same, now wil I, with like ⁶ celeritie of matter, ⁶ impart vnto thee the guyse and seuerall Abuses in of the apparell of wemen there vsed also: wherfore, geue attentiue apparel.]

Sp. My eares be prest to heare: begin when you wil, and truely herin you shal pleasur me much, for I have greatly desired to know thorowly the state of that Land, even a crepundiis (as they say) from my tender yeres, for the great prayse I have hard therof. Wherfore I pray you proceed to the same, & though I be vnable with any benefit to counteruail your great pains,7 yet the Lord, I doubt not, wil supplie my want.

Ph. The Lord our God is a mercifull God, & a bountiful Rewarder of euery one that trusteth in him; but yet (such is the magnificency 8 & liberalitie of that gentle fex) that I trust I shall not be [The rewarde of vnrewarded at their hands, if 9 to be called a thousand knaues be a B, E.] fufficient guerdon for my pains. But though it wilbe 10 a corrofiue 11 to their hautie 12 stomacks, & a nippitatum to their 13 tender brests 18 to heare their dirtie dregs ript vp and cast in 14 their dia 15 mond faces, yet [15 leaf 31. B.†] hope 16ing that they, feeing the horrour of their impieties, and tragical [16 E 8] abuses laide open to the world (for now they sleep in the 17 graue of obliuion) wil at the last, like good Conuertes and 18 Penitentiaries of Christe Iesus, leave of their wickednes, call for mercie at the hands of God, repent and amend. I will proceed to my intended purpose.

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<sup>2</sup> Womans F.
                                  3 a taste or B, E, F.
    5_5 not in B, E, F.
                                   6-6 expedition F.
                                                               7 curtesie F.
       9 munificencie B, E, F.
                                                 9 if at the least B, E, F.
                                                           11 corrasiue F.
       10 maie bee perhappes B, E, F.
       12 tender F.
                           13-13 haughty minds F.
                                                                14 into F.
   † leaf 31. Colouryng of faces in Ailgna? B. E has a new head-line here.
                                         17 dust of silence and added in E. F.
Abuse of the female sex.
              18 become faithfull B, E; become the faithfull F.
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Coloring of faces with oyntments and waters.

Adulteration of the Lord his workman ship in his

Creatures.

[8 E 8, back] [" leaf 31, back.

They that colour their faces, deny the Lord of glory to bee true God, and so no God at all.

¹The Women of Ailgna² vse to colour their faces with certain oyles, liquors, vnguents and waters made to that end, whereby they think their beautie is greatly decored: but who feethe not that their foules are thereby deformed, and they brought deeper into the difpleasure and indignation of the Almighty, at whose voice the earth dooth tremble, and at whose presence the heavens shall liquifie and melt away. Doo they think thus to adulterate the Lord his woorkmanship, and to be without offence? Doo they not know that he is Zelotipus,³ a ielous God, and cannot abide any alteration of his woorkes, other wife then he hath commaunded4?

Yf an Artificer or Craftsman shoulde make any-thing belonging to his art or science, & a cobler should presume to correct the same, would not the other think him felf abused, and iudge him 5 woorthy of reprehension?

And 6thinkest thou (oh Woman!) 6 to escape the Iudgement of God, who hath fashioned thee 7 8 to his glory, when thy 9 great, and more then prefumptuous, audacitie 10 dareth to alter, & 11 chaunge his woorkmanship in thee 12?

13 Thinkest thou that thou canst make thy self 13 fairer then God, who 14 made vs all? These must needes be their inventions, 15 or els they would neuer go about to coulour their faces with fuch fibberfawces. And these beeing their inventions, 15 what can derogate more from the maiestie of God in his creation? For in this dooing, they plainly conuince the Lord of vntrueth in his word, who faith he made man glorious, after his owne likenes, and the fayrest of all other terrestiall 16 Creatures. If he be thus faire, then what need they to make them fayrer? Therfore this their colouring of their faces importeth (as by probable coniecture may be presupposed) that they think them felues not faire enough,17 and then must God needs be vntrue in his woord.

- 1 Heading in F:-Collouring of womens faces in England.
- 2 (many of them) use B, E, F. 3 deus added in B, E, F.
- 4 made them B, E, F. 5 the reproduer F.
- -6 doe these women thinke B, E, F. 7 them B, E, F. 9 their B. E. F. 10 audacicitie A. • leaf 31, back. Coloured faces abhord of God. B. 12 them B, E, F.
 - 13-13 Doe they suppose that they can make themselues B, E, F. 14 that B, E, F.
 - 15 intentions B, E, F: (suppositions for the 1st word F.) 16 terrestriall F.
 - 17 els why doe thei goe about to make themselues fairer added in B, E, F.

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And also they deny the Lord to be either merciful or almightie, or bothe, and so consequently no God at all; for if hee could not haue made them faire, then is hee not almightie; and if hee could and would not, then is hee not a merciful God; and so every way they ¹ fall in to the finck¹ of offence, ² beeing ² ashamed of the good creation of the Lord in them; but 3 it is to be feared leaft at the day of Iudgement the Lord wil be ashamed of them, & in his wrath 4denounce [4 F 1] this heavie and ineuitable fentence condemnatorie against them: Sentence con-" Departe from mee, you curfed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the deuil and his Angels: I knowe you not: (I fay) departe, for you were their faces. ashamed of mee, and of my creation in you. 6"

[5 leaf 32. B.†]

Spud. Wherof doo they make these waters, and other vnctions wherwith they befmeare their faces, can you tel?

Philo. I8 am not so skilful in their 9 matters of pride,9 but I holde this for a Maxime, that 10 they are made of many mixtures, and fundry compounded 11 fimples, bothe farre fetched and deer bought, cunningly couched 12 together, and 13 tempered with many goodly condiments and holfome confections, I warrant you; els you may be fure they woulde not applye them to their amorous 14 faces, for feare of harming or blemishing the same.

[Materials of

[Spud. I praie you shewe me the 15 judgements, and 15 opinions of the Fathers, concernying these colourynges 16 of faces 17 with ointmentes and waters, that I maie the better know, what to judge of it 18 my felf. 17 B, E, F; part inserted with the pen in Λ .

Philo. S. Ciprian, amongst all 19 the rest, saith, a Woman, thorow painting and dying of her face, sheweth her felf to be more then whorish. For (faith hee) shee hath corrupted and defaced (like a filthie strumpet or brothel) the woorkmanship of God in her: what is this els but to turne trueth into falshood with painting and sibber-

against paynt-ing and cou-louring of

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1-1 stumble at the stone of B, E, F.
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12 mingled B, E, F. 15_15 not in A, pen. 18 them E, F.

9-9 dealings.

SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES.

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²⁻² whiche one day will crushe them all to peeces, excepte they repent. And as they be B, E, F. ³ so B, E, F. 6 in you not in F.

[†] leaf 32. Harlottes vse painted faces. B. ⁶ Truly I, F. 7 other not in B, E, F. 10 that not in E. 11 compounde B, E; not in F.

¹⁴ amiable F.

¹³ and artificially B, E, F. 17_17 not in A, pen. 16 this colouringe A, pen. 19 all not in B, E, F.

leaf 32, back. É 1. back] [St Cyprian against face-painting.]

fawces, wheras the Lord faith, "Thou canst not make one haire white or black." In an other place hee faith, Qui 1 fe pinguunt in hoc seculo, aliter quam creauit 8 Deus, metuant ne, cum dies resurrectionis venerit, artifex creaturam suam non recognoscat. Those which a paint or collour them selues in this world otherwise then God hath made them, let them feare, least when the day of judgement commeth, the Lorde wil not know them for his Creatures. Againe, Feminæ crines fuos inficiunt malo præfagio, capillos enim flammeos auspicaris non metuunt. Whosoeuer doo color their faces, or their haire, with any vnnaturall collour, they begin to prognosticate of what colour they shalbe in hel.

S. Ambrose saith that from the coullouring of faces spring the inticements to vices, and that they which color their faces doo purchase to them felues the blot and stain of chastitie.

For what a dotage is it (faith hee) to chaunge thy naturall face which God hath made thee for a painted face, which thou hast made thy felf? If thou beeft faire, why paintest thou thy felf to seeme fairer? and if thou be not faire, why dooft thou hippocrittically defire to seeme faire, and art nothing lesse? Can those things which, besides that they be filthie, doo cary the brand of God his cursie vpon their backs for euer, make thee to seeme fayrer? I could show you the tharp Inuections, and grounded reasons of many moe, as of Aug[u]stine, Hierome, Chrisostome, Gregorie, Caluin, Peter Martyr, Gualter, and of an infinite number moe; 7 yea, of all generally fince the beginning of 8the world, against this 9 whorish and brothellous painting and coulouring of faces; but to avoid prolixitie I will omit them, deferring them to further oportunitie, for pauca sapienti, 10 To a wiseman few woords are fufficient.

No painting can make any to seem fairer but fowler.

[7 F 2] [8 leaf 35 B.†]

> Spud. It must needs be graunted, that the dying and coulouring of faces with artificiall colours, and vnnaturall Oyntments, is moste offensiue to God, and derogatorie to his Maiestie: [And when thei have doen all that thei can, and the cumningest artist that ever lived besides, yet shal thei neuer be able to make so splendent, so orient, and

! Colouring of faces, the deuils

[•] leaf 32, back. Colouryng of faces detestable. B. 2 pingunt E. ⁵ auspicare F. 6 which comes before that in F. 4 that F. † leaf 33. Painted faces, the Deuilles nets. B. 9 those E. 10 sapientia B, E, F.

so naturall a colour, as dame Nature hath given to the herbes in the feeld. Then if God hath imprinted suche an excellent colour in the graffe of the feeld, which to-day 1 is standing, 1 and to-morrow is cut doune; how muche more hath he ingrauen a beautifull colour in man, the excellentest creature of all others?? Therefore ought energy one to content himself with the shape that God hath given hym, without fekyng of alteration or change. B, E, F.] for doo they think that the God of all glorie, and who only decketh and adorneth the Sun, the Moon, the Starres, and all the hoaft of heauen with vnfpeakable glorie, and incomparable beautie, cannot make them beautiful and faire enough (if it please him) without their sibbersawces? And [! side-note, what are they 3 els then the Deuils inuentions, to intangle poore foules in B, E.1 in the nets of perdition?

[God's own

⁴ Philo. Then followeth the trimming and tric⁵king of their heds in laying out their hair to the shewe, which of force must be curled, frisled and crisped, laid out (a World to see!) on wreathes & borders from one eare to an other. And least it should fall down, it is vnder propped with forks, wyers, & I can not tel what, rather 6 like grime 7 sterne monsters, then chaste christian matrones. Then, on the edges of their bolftred heir (for it standeth crested round about their frontiers, & hanging ouer their faces like 8 pendices 9 with glaffe windowes an 10 euery fide) there is layd great wreathes of gold and filuer, curiouslie wrought & cunninglie 11 applied to the temples of their heads. And for feare of lacking any thing to fet foorth their pride withal, at their heyre, thus wreathed and crefted, are hanged bugles (I dare not fay bables) ouches, rings, gold, filuer, glasses, & such other 12 gewgawes and 13 trinckets befides, which, for that they be innumerable, and I vnskilfull in wemens termes, I can not easily recount. 4 But God give them grace to give ouer these vanities, and studie to adorn their heads with the incorruptible ornaments of vertue & true Godlynesse.

Trimming of their heds. [5 leaf 33, back.

Simia erit simia, etiam si aurea gestat, insignia.

Laying out of [8 F 2, back] their heads.

Gewgawes

Spud. The Apostle Paul (as I remember) commaundeth wemen to cherith their heyre, faying that it is an ornament to them; &

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1-1 standeth E.
                                 <sup>2</sup> other F.
                                                            3 but F.
     • heading in F:—Attiring of womens heades in England.
        + leaf 33, back. Laying out of coloured haire. B.
  6 rather comes before than in F.
                                                7 and added in F.
                                  10 on F.
                                                 11 cunning = (sic) F.
or vailes added in B, E, F.
12 other childishe B, E, F.
                                             13 and foolish B, E, F.
                    14 expresse B, E; recompt F.
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68 Laying out of coloured haire. The Anatomie

therfor me think this abuse of curling and laying it out 1 (if eyther were lawfull) is muche more tollerable than dying their faces.

[2 leaf 34. B.*]

Curling and crisping and laying out of heyre.

Bought heyre and colored vsed to be worn.

[Children's hair cut off by women in London.]

[10 F 3]

[Women dye their hair.]

[16 leaf 34, back. B.†]

² Philo. If curling, & laying out of ⁸ their own naturall heyre weare all (which is impious, and at no hand lawfull, 4 notwithstanding for 4 it is the 5 enfigne of Pride, and the stern 6 of wantonnes to all that behould it) it were the lesse matter; but they are not simply contente with their owne haire, but buy other heyre,7 dying it of what color they lift themselues: [And if there be any poore women (as now and then, we see God doeth blesse them with beautie, as well as the riche) that hath faire haire, these nice dames will not rest, till thei haue bought it. Or if any children haue faire haire, thei will intice them into a fecrete place, and for a penie or two, thei will cut of their haire: as I heard that one did in the citie of Munidnol⁸ of late, who metyng a little child with verie faire haire, inuegled her into a house, promised her a penie, and so cutte off her haire. B, E, F.] & this they were in the same order as you have 10 heard, as though it weare their owne 11 natural heir: and uppon the other fide, if any haue heyre 12 which is not faire inough, than will they dye it into 18 dyuerse colors. almost chaunginge the substance into accidentes by their dyuelish, & more than thrife curfed deuyles. So, wheras their heire was geuen them as a figne of subjection, and therfore they were commaunded to cherish the same, now have they made 14 (as it were) a Metamorphosis of it, making 14 it an ornament of Pride, and destruction to them felues 15 for euer, 15 except they repent.

¹⁶ Spud. This is a ftyfnecked People, & a rebellious, I fee well, that thus dareth, in euerie respecte, to peruert the straight wayes of the Lord, digginge vp to them-selues cesterns of iniquity, ¹⁷ & pittes of aduersity, ¹⁷ which in th'end, without the great mercy of God, will be their ytter confusion.

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<sup>1</sup> forth F. • leaf 34. Bought haire & coloured, worne. B. 
<sup>3</sup> of not in B, E, F. • 4—4 beyng as B, E, F. • an B, E; and F. 
<sup>6</sup> standerd F.
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cither of Horses, Mares, or any other straunge beastes added in E, F.
 London F.
 weare F.
 haire of her owne naturall growing B, E, F.
 not in B, E, F.
 tleaf 34, back. Capitall ornamentes for heads. B.

¹⁷_17 not in F.

¹ Philo. Than, on toppes of these stately turrets (I meane their goodly heads wherin is more vanitie than true Philosophie now and than) stand their other capitall ornaments, as french hood, hat, cappe, kercher, and fuche like; wherof some be of veluet, 2 some of taffatic, fome (but few) of woll,2 fome of this fashion, some of that, 3 and some of this color, some of that,3 according to the variable fantasies of their ferpentine minds. And to fuch excesse 4 is it growen, as 4 euery artificers wyfe⁵ (almost) wil ⁶ not stick to goe in her hat of Veluet [6 F 3, back] euerye day, euery marchants wyfe and meane Gentlewomen in her Hattes of french-hood, and euerye poore Cottagers Daughter in her taffatie hat, faty worn in or els of woll at least, wel lined with silk, veluet or taffatie. But how they come by this (fo they have it) they care not; who payeth for it they regard not, nor yet what hurt booth to them felues and others it 7 dooth bring, 7 they feare not, But runne daylie a malo ad peius (as they fay) from one mischiefe to an other, vntill they have filled vp the voluptas. mesure of their euill⁹ to their owne ¹⁰ perdition at that day.¹⁰

Capitall ornahead.

Cawles made

11 They have also other ornaments befydes these to furnish foorth [12 leaf 35. B.1] their ingenious heads, which they cal (as I remember) cawles, made Netwyfe, to th' ende, as I thinke, that the clothe of gold, cloth of filuer, or els tinfell, (for that is the worst) wherwith their heads are couered and attyred withall 12 vnderneath their cawles maye 18 appeare, and shewe it felfe in the brauest maner. Soe that a man that feethe them (there heads glifter and shine in suche sorte) wold 14 thinke them to have golden heads. [And some weare Lattice cappes with three hornes. three corners I should saie, like the forked cappes of Popishe Priestes. with their perriwincles, chitterlynges, and the like apishe toyes of infinite varietie. B, E, F.1

Thus lauishe they foorth the goods of the Lorde, which are none Golden heads of their owne (but lent them for a tyme) vppon Pride and naughtinesse, delighting (as it seemeth) in nothing so 15 muche as in the stinck- [15 F 4] ing puddle of vanitie and finne, which will be their owne decay 16 at the

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1 heading in F:-French Hoodes in England.
                                                         2-2 not in F.
 3_3 not in F.
                          4-4 it is grown that F.
                                                           5 wyse A.
 7-7 bringeth F.
                          8 haue not in F.
                                                    9 iniquitie B, E, F.
10-10 confusion at the last F.
                               † leaf 35. Golden heads with leaden wit. B.
 12 not in F.
                     13 may the better B, E, F.
                                                        14 he would F.
                            16 in the end F.
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Making of holes in their cares to hang rings and Iewels by.

[* leaf 35, back. B.*]

A people who cut their skin to set precious stones in them selues. last.¹⁶ Another forte of dissolute minions & wanton Sempronians (for I can term them no better) are so far bewitched, as they are not ashamed to make holes in their eares, wherat they hang rings, and other Iewels of gold and precious stones. But what this signifiest in them I will hould my peace, for the thing it selfe speaketh sufficiently. There is a certen kinde of People in the ¹Orientall parte of the World (as Writers affirme), that are suche Philautoi, ²louers of them selues, and so prowde with all, that, having plentie of precious Stones and Margarits amongest them, they cut and launce their skinnes and slesse, setting therin these precious Stones, to the end they maye glister and shine to the eye.

So, except these Women weare minded to tread their pathes, and ⁸ followe their direfull wayes in this cursed kind of ⁴ vnhard of ⁴ Pride, I wonder what they meane.

But because this is not so muche frequented amongest Women as Men, I will say noe more thereof, vntill surther occasion be offred.

Spud. Except it weare a People wedded to 5 the deuills eldest Daughter 5 Pride (for I thinke chastitie 6 amongest them maye dwell 7 a Virgin for any that wil marry her), and given ouer of God, I neuer heard the like. I am perswaded 8 neither the Libertines, the Epicures, nor yet the vile Atheists, euer 9 exceeded this people in pride, 10 nor 11 the wickedness of them might euer counterpease with the wickedness of these people 10: God be merciful vnto them!

Philo. You heare not the tenth parte, for no pen is able fo wel to discribe it, as the eye is to discry ¹² it. The Women there vse great russes, & neckerchers of holland, lawne, camerick, and such cloth, as the greatest thred shall not be so bigge as the least haire that is: then, ¹³ least they should fall down, they are smeared and starched in the deuils liquore, I meane Starch; after that, dryed with great diligence, streaked, patted, and rubbed ¹⁴ very nicely, and so applyed to their goodly necks, and, withall, vnderpropped with supportasses (as I tolde you before) the statelie arches of pride: beyond all this they

[7 F 4, back]

Great ruffes, Neckerchers, and partlets vsed of Women.

[Starche the deuils liquor. E, F.]
Supportasses the pillers of pride.

[14 leaf 36. B.†]

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1—1 Orient F.

3 and to F.

4—4 not in B, E, F.

4—6 humilitie B, E, F.

6 that neither B, E, F.

11 nor that B, E.

12 discerne F.

13 and E, F.

14 leaf 36. Great ruffes and minor ruffes. B.
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haue a further fetch, nothing inferiour to the rest; as, namely, three or foure degrees of minor ruffes, placed gradatim, 1 step by step, 1 one Minor ruffs. beneath another, and all vnder the Maister deuil ruffe. the skyrts, then, of these great ruffes are long and side every way, pleted and crefted ful curiously, God wot. Then, last of all, they are either clogged with golde, filuer, or filk lace of stately price, wrought all 2 ouer with needle woork, speckled and sparkled heer & there with [2 F 5] the fonne, the moone, the starres, and many other antiquities³ straunge to beholde. Some are wrought with open woork down to the midst The great of the ruffe and further,4 fome with purled lace fo cloyd, and other gewgawes so peftred, as the ruffe is the least parte of it self. Sometimes they are pinned up to their eares, sometimes they are suffered to hang ouer their shoulders, like 6 windmil sayles fluttering in the winde; and thus every one pleafeth her felf with her foolish devices, for fuus cuiusque crepitus sili l'ene olet, as the prouerb saith : euery one thinketh his own 8wayes best 8, 9 though they leade to distruction of body and soule, which I wish them to take heed of.9 [10 And 11 amongest many other fearfull examples of Gods wrathe against Pride, 12 to sett before their eyes, the fearfull Iudgement of 13 God, shewed upon a gentlewoman of Eprautna 14 of late, euen the 27 of Maie 1582, the fearfull found where- [Antwarpe, E.] of is blowen through all the worlde, and is yet fresh in euery mannes memorie. This gentlewoman beeyng a very riche Merchaunte mannes daughter: vpon a tyme was inuited 15 to a Bridall, or Weddyng, whiche was folemnized in that Toune, againste whiche daie she made [A scarfull greate preparation, for the plumyng of her felf in gorgious arraie, that as her body was moste beautifull, faire, and proper, so her attire in euery respecte might bee corespondent 16 to the same. For the accomplishment whereof, she curled her haire, she died her lockes, and laied them out after the best maner, she coloured her face with waters and Ointmentes: But in no case could she gette any (so curious and daintie she was) that could starche, and sette her Russes, and Neckerchers to her mynde: wherefore she sent for a couple of Laundresses,

curiosity of 5

example against pride shewed vpon a gentle-Antwarpe, E,F]

[Womens anythinge when it is well. E.]

¹⁻¹ not in B, E, F. ³ antiques B, E, F. 4 some with close woorke, added in B, E, F.

flagges or added in F. 8-8 foist the sweetest F. ⁷ in B, E, F. 9-9 not in F. 10 added in B, E, F. 11 But F.

¹² I would wish them added in F. † leaf 36, back. No head-line, B.

¹⁴ Antwerpe F. 15 inuited A; inuited F. 16 answerable F.

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[The fearful

[3 leaf 37. B."]

(The deuil deaseth won

better then any bodie els. E, F.]

setting of great Ruffes, E.]

The deuil found [8 leaf 37, back. B.†]

who did the best thei could to please her humors, but in anywise their could not. Then fell she to sweare and teare, to cursie and banne, castlyng the Russes vnder seete, and wishyng that the Deuill might take her, when she I weare any of those Neckerchers againe. In the meane tyme (through the fufferaunce of God) the Deuill, transformyng himfelf into the forme? of a young man, as brane, and proper as the in enery poincte in outward appearaunce, came in, faining hymself to bee a woer or suter vnto her. And seyng her thus agonized, and in suche a peltyng chase, he demannded of her the cause thereof, who firaight waie tolde hym (as women can conceale no thyng that lieth vppon their flomackes) how she was abused in the fettyng of her Ruffes, which thyng beeyng heard of hym, he promifed to please her minde, and thereto4 tooke in hande the setting of her Ruffes, whiche he performed to her greate contentation, and likyng, in fo muche as she lokyng her self in a glasse (as the Deuill bad her) became greatly inamoured with hym. This dooen, the yong man kissed her, in the doyng whereof, he writhe her necke in sonder, so she died miserably, her bodie beyng 5 Metamorphosed, into blacke and blewe⁵ colours, most vgglesome to behold, and her sace (whiche before was so amorous) became moste deformed, and fearfull to looke vpon. This being knowen, 6 preparaunce 6 was made for her buriall, a riche coffin was prouided, and her fearfull bodie was laied therein, and it covered verie sumpteously. Foure men immediatly assaied to lifte vp the corps, but could not moue it, then fixe attempted the like, but could not once stirre it from the place, where it stoode. Whereat the standers by marucilyng, caused the Cosfin to bee opened, to see the cause thereof. Where thei founde the bodie to be taken awaie, and a blacke Catte verie leane and deformed sittyng in the Coffin, fetting of greate Ruffes, and frizlyng of haire, to the greate feare, and 8 wonder of all the beholders. This wofull spectacle haue I offered to their viewe, that by looking into it, in stead of their other looking Glasses

¹ shee did F. ² shape F.

^{*} leaf 37. No head-line B. E has head-line, A fearfull example agaynst Pride.

⁴ so F. 5-5 straight waies changed into blew and black F.

⁷ it not in F. 6-6 in the cittie, great preparation F.

[†] leaf 37, back. Women wearyng Dublets. B. E has The deuil found setting of ruffes.

thei might see their own filthinesse, & auoyde the like offence, for feare of the same, or worser iudgement: whiche God graunt thei maie doe 1.]

Spud. As in a Camelion are faid to be all coulours, faue white, fo I think in these people are all things els², saue Vertue and christian fobrietie. Proteus, that Monster, could neuer chaunge him self into Proteus, fo many fourmes & shapes as these women doo: belike they have made an obligation with hel, and are at agreement³ with the deuil, els they would neuer outrage thus, without either feare of God or refpect to their weak Bretheren, whom heerin they offend.

⁴ Philo. The Women also there have dublets & Ierkins, as men haue heer, buttoned vp the 5 brest, and made with wings, welts, and lerkins. pinions on the shoulder points, as mans apparel is 6 for all the world; & though 7 this be a kinde of attire appropriate 8 onely to man, yet they blush not to wear it; and if they could as wel chaunge their fex, & put on the kinde of man, as they can weare apparel affigued onely to man, I think they would as verely become men indeed, as now they degenerat from godly, fober women, in wearing this wanton lewd kinde of attire, proper onely to man.

It is written in the 22 of Deuteronomie, that what man fo euer A curse to weareth 9 womans apparel is accurfed, and what woman weareth mans apparel is accurfed also. Now, whether they be within the 10 bands and lymits 10 of that cursse, let 11 them 12 see to it them selues 12.11 Our Apparell was given vs 13 as a figne diffinctive to discern betwixt sex and fex, & therfore one to weare the Apparel of another fex is to participate with the same, and to adulterate the veritie of his owne kinde. Wherefore these Women may not improperly be called Hermaphroditi, that is, Monsters of bothe kindes, half women, half Hermaphroditi. men.14

[9 leaf 38. B.t]

Spud. I neuer read nor heard of any people, except drunken with

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2 els not in E.
                                                            3 a league F.
       1 added in B, E, F.
 4 heading in F:-Doublets for Women in England.
                                                         6-6 in all respectes F.
    <sup>7</sup> although F.
                       <sup>6</sup> proper F.
                                        † leaf 38. A curse for Apparell. B.
         10-10 compasse F.
                                       11-11 they themselues iudge F.
       12-12 take heede B, E.
                                                       13 us not in E, F.
   14 Who if thei were naturall women, and honest matrones, would blushe to go
in suche wanton and leude attire, as is proper onely to man added in
B, E, F. (* incident F.)
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Women wer-

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Cyrces cups, or poysoned with the exorcisms of Medea, that famous and renoumed Sorceresse, that ever would weare suche kinde of attire as is not onely ¹ stinking before the face of God,² offensive to man, but also³ painteth out to the whole world the ⁴ venereous inclination ⁴ of their corrupt conversation.

The diversity of Gounes.

[F 6]

⁵ Philo. There Gownes be no leffe famous alfo⁶; for fome are of filk, fome of veluet, fome of grogram, fome of taffetie, fome of fearlet, and fome of fine cloth, of ten, twentie, or fortie shillings yard. But if the whole gowne be not filke or veluet, then the fame shall be layed with lace, two or three fingers broade, all ouer the gowne, or els the moste parte.

Simize in purpuris.

[8 leaf 38, back. B.†]

Costly gownes.

Diners fashions

Or, if not so (as lace 8 is not fine enough sometimes 9), then it must be garded with great gardes of veluet, 10 foure or fix fingers broad at the least, and edged with costly lace; and as these gownes be of diuers and sundrie colors, so are they of diuers fashions, changing with the Moon, for some be of the new fashion, some of the olde, some of this fashion, and some of that, some with sleeues hanging down to their skirts, trayling on the ground, and cast ouer their shoulders, like Cowtayles.

Some haue fleeues much shorter, cut vp the arme, 11 and pointed with filk-ribons very gallantly, tyed with true-looues knottes (for so they call them).

[13 F 6, back]

Petticots.

Some haue Capes reaching downe to the middest of their backs, faced with Veluet, or els with some fine wrought filk ¹² Taffatie ¹³ at the least, and fringed about very brauely; & (to shut vp all in a word) some are pleated & ryueled ¹⁴ down the back wonderfully, with more knacks than I can declare. ¹⁵ Than haue they Petticots of the best cloth that can be bought, and of the fairest dye that can be made. And sometimes they are not of cloth neither, for that is thought to base, but of scarlet, grograin, taffatie, filk, and suche like, fringed about the

and added in B, E, F. such as added in F. 4—4 dissolutenesse F. heading in F:—Womens Gownes in England.

⁶ then the rest for also B, E, F. 7 must F.

[†] leaf 38, back. The great excesse in Gownes. B.

o now and then F.

lo euery gard added in B, E, F.

¹¹ drawne out with divers and sundry collours added in F.
12 silk not in F.
14 creasted F.

¹⁵ expresse F.

skirts with filk fringe of chaungable coloure. But which is more vayn, of whatfoeuer their petticots be, yet must they have kyrtles Kyrtles. (for fo they call them), eyther of filk, veluet, grograin, taffatie, faten, or fcarlet, borde red with gards, lace, fringe, and I cannot tell what [1 leaf 39. B. 1] befydes. So that when they have all these goodly robes uppon them, women feeme to be the finallest part of themselues, not naturall women, but artificiall Women; not Women of flesh & blod, but rather puppits or mawmets of 2 rags & clowtes compact together. So³ farre hath this cancker of pride eaten into the body of the common welth, that every poore Yeoman his Daughter, every Husband man his daughter, & euery Cottager his Daughter, will not spare4 to flaunt it out in suche gownes, petticots, & kirtles as these. And not withstanding that their Parents owe a brase of humndred pounds more than they are worth, yet will they have it, quo iure quaue iniuria, eyther by hooke or crooke, by right or wrong, as they [5 F7] fay, wherby it commeth to passe that one can scarsly know who is a noble woman, who is an honorable or worshipfull Woman, from them of the meaner forte.

Spud. Their parents & Freinds are muche to be blamed for fuf- Parents to fering them to go in fuche wanton attyre. They should not allowe them fuch large pittance, nor fuffer them to measure their apparell after their own licentious yardes of felfe will, and wicked defires.7

Philo. Than shall they 8 be fure neuer to have good day with them, For they are so impudent 9 that, all be it their poore Parents haue but The impudone cow, horse, or sheep, they wil neuer let them rest til they be harlots. fould to maintain them in their braueries, 10 past all tongue can tell. 10 B.11 B.11 And, to fay the truth, some Parents (worthie to be inaugured 11 with the lawrell Crowne of triple follie,) are so buxome to their shamelesse desires, and so exorable to their prostitute requests, that they graunt to their too too nice daughters more than they can 12 defire

Women the least part of

Poore Mens Daughters excesse.

[•] leaf 39. The impudencie of Harlottes. B. ² consistyng of B, F. 6 or by F. 3 Yea, so F. 4 stick E, F.

⁷ then should thei not rage + so farre as thei doe added in B, E, F; but E F have could; † F has exceede, which comes after far. 8 theyr Parents F.

[‡] leaf 39, back. What makes youth wicked. B. 10-10 beyond all measure B, E, F. 11 for fooles added in E, F. 12 do E, F.

Our re lenitie of Pa

themselues, taking a fingular selicity & 1 surmounting pleasure in f[ce]ing them to go plumed and decked in the Feathers of deceiptfull vanity.

Sp. This ouer great lenitie & remisse libertie in the education of youthe, in respect of the euent and successed in the end, maye rather be counted an extrem cruelty, than a Fatherly ⁵ pitie ⁶ of them towards their children; For what maketh them so soone whores, strumpets,7 and bawdes, as that cockering of them doth?

8 what maketh whores and strumpets.8

[5 F 7, back]

What maketh them apt & prone to all kind of naughtynesse but this? Nothing in the World foe muche; For, give a wild horse the libertie of the head neuer fo litle, and he will runne headlonge to thyne and his owne destruction also.

So long as a sprigge, twist, or braunche, is yong, it is flexible and bowable 10 to any thing 10 a man can defire; but if we tarie till it be a great tree, it is inflexible and vnbowable. If wax be taken whylest it is hote, anye character maye be easily imprinted 11; but tarying till it [12 leaf 40. B.*] be hard, it re¹²ceiveth no printe at all.

So, correct Children in their tender yeres, and you may bow them to what good lore you will your selfe; but tarie till they be old, than 18 is it 18 to late, as experience teacheth daylie.

Netherstocks of gernsey or silk.

14 Philo. Their neitherstockes, in like maner, are either of silke gearnsey,15 worsted, crewell, or, at least, of as fyne yarn, thread, or cloth, as is possible to be had, [yea thei are not ashamed to weare hose of all kinde of chaungable colours, as greene, red, white, russet, tawny, and els what,16 whiche wanton light colours, any 17 fober chaste Christian 18 (except for necessitie sake)18 can hardly, without any 19 suspition of lightnesse, at any tyme weare; but whatsoeuer is a deformitie or shame in 20 others is an ornament to them that be past all shame. Then these delicate hosen must bee, B, E, F] cunningly knit and curi-

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3-2 decked and plumed B, E, F.
1 and farre B, E, F.
                                     4 that it bringeth added in F.
<sup>8</sup> of theirs in B, E, F.
6 loue or pittie B, E, F.
                                             7 Harlots added in F.
                         8-8 not in E, F.
                    10-10 which way F.
                                                11 in it added in F.
9 a twist F.
                                                      13_13 it is F.
leaf 40. New fashions euery daie. B.
     14 heading in F:-Netherstockes of women in England.
                                      17 no F.
                                                   18_18 not in F.
15 Iarnsey F.
                 16 what not F.
                                                    20 to F.
       19 any not in E, F.
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oufly indented in euery point1: wherto they have korked shooes, pinsnets, pantoffles, and 2slippers, some of black veluet, some of white, some of greene, and some of yellowe; some of spanish leather, and some of English lether, 8 stitched with silk, 4 and imbrodered with Gold and filuer all ouer the foote, with other gewgawes innumerable. All which, if I should 5 endeuoure my selfe 5 to expresse, I might 6 with more 7 facilitye 6 number the sands of the Sea, the Starres in the skye, or the grasse vppon the Earth, so infinit and innumerable be their abuses. For weare I neuer soe experte an Arithmeti⁸cian⁹, ¹⁰ or ¹¹ Mathematician ¹⁰, I weare neuer ¹² capable of ¹² the 13 halfe of them, the deuill brocheth foe many new fashions every day.

pinsnets, pan-toffles, & such like, for women.

Wherfore to their Author I leave them, not omittinge to tell [8 leaf 40, back you by the way (14 as an interim 14) of a certen kynde of sweete Pride vsed amongest 15 Gentlemen and Gentlewomen in Ailgna.

Spud. I have learned out of the Booke of God, that all Pride is flincking before the face of GoD; wherfore I greatlye defyre to before the face of God. knowe what abortyue Miscreant this is,16 for it is some portenteous mishapen monster, I am 17 perswaded.

Pride stinking

¹⁸Philo. Is not this a certen ¹⁹ fweete Pride to haue cyuet, muske, sweete powders, 20 fragrant Pomanders, odorous perfumes, & such like, wherof the fmel may be felt and perceived, not only all over the house, or place, where they be present, but also a stones cast of almost, yea, the bed wherin they have layed their delicate bodies, the places where they have fate, the clothes, and thinges which they have touched, shall smell a weeke, a moneth, and more, after they be gon. But the Prophet Esaias telleth them, instead of their Pomaunders, Esai, Cap. 3. musks, ciuets, balmes, sweet odours and perfumes, they shall haue stench and horrour in the nethermost hel. Let them take heed to it, and amend their wicked liues.91

r²⁰ F 8, back] The hauing of and other perfumes, a sweet kind of

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1 with quirkes, clockes, open seame, and every thing els accordingly added
in B, E, F.
                                              3 lether not in B, E, F.
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13 the one B, E, F.

⁶⁻⁶ as easily F. with silke repeated in F. 5-5 take vpon me F. † leaf 40, back. Costly Perfumes and Muskes. B. 7 like B, E. 10_10 not in F. 11 never so skilfull a added in B, E. Arithmetrician A.

¹²_12 able to recompt F. 14_14 comes after you in B, E, F. 15 amongest the B, E, F. 17 am fully B, E, F. 16 may be B, E, F.

¹⁸ heading in F:-Muske, Ciuet, and sweet powder in England. 19 certen not in E, F. 21 in tyme added in B, E, F.

[1 leaf 41. B. .]

Beware the Spanish pip

[8 G 1]

These II curious smelles obnu bilat the spirits & darken the sences.

Sweet smells of musks. cyuet, and such like, do at anoy the spirits.

[*2 leaf 4z, back. B.†]

The vain gestures & coynes of women in the middest of

And in the Sommer-time, whilst sloures be greene and fragrant, yee shall not have any 1 Gentlewoman almost, no nor yet any droye or pussle in the Cuntrey, but they will carye in their hands nosegayes and posses of floures to smell at; and which is more, two or three Nofegayes² sticked in their brests before, for what cause I cannot tele except it be to allure their Paramours to catch at them, wherby, I doubt not, but they get many a flabbering kiffe, and, paradeventure, more freendship befides: they know best⁵ what I mean.

Spud. You wil be thought very straight laced to speak against these thinges, for I have heard it said, that these sweet smels are bothe corroborative to the fences, and confortative sto the spirits, and which doo viuifie and recreate aswel the body as the minde.

Philo. They are so far from comforting the braines, or lightning 30 the spirits of men 12, that as mystes and exhalations which enaporate from these earthly bodyes, and are drawen up by the attractive power of the Sun, Moon, and starres, doo rather 13 obnubilate 14 and darken the beames of the Sun. 15 not fuffering his radiations to disparcle abrode 15 3 So these (in a maner) palpable odors, fumes, vapours 16, smells of these 17 musks, cyuets, pomanders, perfumes, balmes, & suche like, ascending to the braine, do rather denigrate 18, darken, and obscure the spirit 19 and sences, then either lighten them, or comfort them so any manner of way. But howfoeuer it falleth out, fure I am they are enfignes of pride, allurements to 22 finne, and prouocations to vice. After all this, when they have attired them selves 25 in the midst of their pride, it is a world to confider their coynesse in gestures, their minsedness in woords and speaches, their gingerlynes 24 in trippinge on toes like yong goats, their demure nicitie and babithnes, and withall their

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• leaf 41. Sweete smelles, hurtfull. B.
       2 nosegayes not in B, E, F.
                                                 <sup>8</sup> their amorous B. E. F.
    4 and to smell at their breastes added in F.
                                                          best not in E, F.
                  6 these not in B, F; the for that these in E.
   7-7 doe corroborate the sences, comfort the spirits, and recreate both the
body & mynd of man greatly, doe they not so? B, E, F.
                                                                   9 braine F.
                                                                  12 man F.
     10 illuminating E; reuiuing F.
                                              11 The F.
                                                        14 obnubilate not in F.
  13 doo rather not in B; rather not in E, F.
         15_15 not in F.
                                               16 vapours and B, E, F.
  17 these not in B, E, F.
                                                                  19 spirites F.
                                   18 denigrate not in F.
                                                         21 do not in F.
         20 by any B.
            † leaf 41, back. Looking glasses, the deuils spectacles. B.
         25 thus added in B, E, F.
                                                34 gingernesse B, E, F.
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hawtie stomackes and more than Cyclopicall countenances. their their pecok fingers are 1 decked with gold, filuer and precious stones, their wriftes with bracelets and armlets of gold, and other preciouse? Iewels: their hands are 3 couered with their fweet watched gloues, imbrodered with gold, filuer, and what not; & to fuch abhomination is it 5 grown, as they must have their looking glasses caryed with them wherfoeuer they go. And good reason, for els how cold they fee the deuil in them? for no doubt they are the deuils spectacles to allure vs to pride, & consequently to distruction for euer. 6 and aboue al things they must 6 haue their filk scarffes cast about their faces, & fluttering in the winde, with great taffels at Silk skarfes. euery end, either of gold, filuer, or filk. But I know wherfor they wil fay they weare these scarses; namely, to keep them from Sunburning; But I wold aske these Nicelings one question, wherin if they can resolue mee, then I will say, as they say, that scarsfes are A question to skarse werers. necessary, and not flags of pride. Can that thing which is moste glorious & fair of it felf, make any thing foule or ilfauored? the sun is a most glorious & fair creature, & therfor cannot make them fowler then they are of their own nature. From whence then is it 8 that the Sun burneth them, & altereth their orient colour into woorfer hue? The cause therof proceedeth from their own genuine corruption and natural imperfection 9; for no more is their fowlenes to be ascribed to the stelliserous 10 beames of the glistering 11 Sun, then the stench of a dead carcasse may be said to 12 come of 12 the sun, & not rather of it own corruption & filthines. They busie themselues in

Fingers cloggloues, Loking glasses, the deuills specta-[4 G 1, back]

1 must be B, E, F. ² costly B, E, F. 3 are not in B, E, F. 6-6 Spud. The deuill could neuer have found out a more pestilent euill then this, for hereby man beholding his face, and being naturally given to flatter hymself too muche, is easely drawen to thinke well of hymself: and yet no man seeth the true proportion of his face, but a counterfaite effigie, and false image therof in the glasse, whiche the Deuill suffereth hym to see, that thereby he maie rise into Pride, and so [so not in E, F] offende the Diuine Maiestie. Therefore maie these lookyng glasses 7 be called the deuils bellowes, wherewith he bloweth the blast of Pride into our hartes: and those that looke in them may be said to looke in the Deuilles arse, whilest he infuseth the venemous winde of Pride into their [7 leaf 42. B.†] soules. Philo. * Then must thei B, E, F. * Heading in F:-Scarffes and Maskes in England.

[Looking-glasses bellowes. E, F.]

† leaf 42. Silke Scarffes in Ailgna. B. 10 splendent F. 11 glistering not in F. it is F. prauitie F. 12-12 proceed of B, E, F.

[² G 2]
[³ leaf 42, back.
B.⁶]

Visors or inuisories of veluet to ride abrode in.

Sues voluta-

& in time 1 is cause of his 2 own corruption, & which, 3 in effect, is nothing els then 4 putrifaction it self, & a dunghil couered with white & red; but for the beautie of the soule they care nothing at all. When they vie to ride abrod, they haue 5 inuisories, or 5 7 visors made of veluet, 8 wherewith they couer all their faces, hauing holes made in them against their eyes, whereout they look. So that if a man, that knew not their guise before, should chaunce to meet one of them, hee would think hee met a monster or a deuil; for face hee can see 9 none, but two brode holes against her 10 eyes with glasses in them. Thus they prophane the name of God, & liue in al 11 kinde of voluptuousnes & pleasure, wursse then euer did the hethen.

preserving the beautie of their bodyes, which lasteth but for a time,

Sp. What think you, are not the inuentors & first finders out of these new toyes & dyuelish deuices, in great daunger, and partakers with them of the euill committed?

[† side-note here in B.]

† The first finders and inventors of new fashions are culpable of all the cuil that cowmeth by them.

[19] leaf 43. B.‡]

[20 G 2, back]

Philo. It cannot be but the Inuentors of these new toyes are in great daunger before God, as they who shall render accounts to god, not only for the inuention of them, but also for the euil committed by them. For whosoeuer is author of any euil must needs answer for the euil. And surely the authors 12 of these newsangles are 18 not vn-worthy 18 to be canonized saints when the yeere of Iubilie commeth (I meane saincts of sathan); for 14 there is no 14 deed so flagicious, no 15 sact 16 so dangerous, 17 nor any 17 thing 18 so hainous, which 19 with alacritie is not plausibly committed for the 20 maintenance of these Diuelish toyes and deuices: And albeit that the Persons themselues who offend this way shal dye in their sinnes, their owne bloud being powred vppon their owne heads, yet the Authors of these new toyes, wherthorow they offended, shalbe giltie of their deathes, and surely answear for their destruction in the day of the Lord.

A vaine excuse.

Spud. But fay they, 'if I make them not, an other wil, & it is as good for me to make them as an other; & it is my lyuing; wherfore

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2 it B, E, F.
                          • leaf 42, back. Veluet Visours to ride with. B.
                      5-5 not in B, E.
                                               6 masks F.
   4 but E, F.
                                                                 7 and F.
  8 (or in my judgement thei maie rather be called invisories) added in B, E, F.
                    10 their E, F.
                                        11 all in B, E.
                                                             12 author F.
   9 shew F.
13_13 worthy F.
                                             15 what B, E, F. 16 attempt F.
                    14_14 what B, E, F.
        17_17 or what B, E, F.
                                                            18 fact F.
                    1 leaf 43. A Caucat for Artificers. B.
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to get our lyuing in well

inuent new

[A caucat for

I am discharged of blame, if I make them (being commaunded) with fweat of my face, and with trauaile and paine to get my lyuing."

Philo. We are commaunned (sic), indeed, to get our lyuing with the sweate of our face; but how? Not in doing those things which are euill of themselues, and also drawe and intice others to euill, but in things lawful and good, 2 & which induce to goodnesse. 2 And to say euill doing. others will make them, if I3 do not, no more excuseth them of offence,4 than for a Murtherer or 5 Thief to say, if I had not robbed, or killed this man, another wold, dischargeth him from the penaltie of the iudiciall 6 lawe 7 to be inflicted against 8 him. 7 Is it lawfull for vs to do euill because others do it? Or dooth the wickednes of an other delyuer me 9 from blame, if I 10 commit the same offence? no, nothing leffe. Wherfore let Taylers and Artificers be11 ware how 12 they [11 leaf-43, back. eyther inuente or make these new deuyces and Dyuelish fashions [12 G 3] euery day: And being requested to make them, if they perceive them 18 tende to vice, and 14 allure to finne, let them refuse them in the name of God, more tendering the faluation of many, than the privat commodytie of themselues alone: which thing, if euery one wold do, he should delyuer his own soule, & support an infinit number from falling into the gulphe of finne; and fo in fhort tyme these new toyes, fond deuyces, and childish babelries (new fashions I should say) wold foone vanish away and come to naught 16: which God graunt may 16 once be seene 16!

¹⁷Spud. Did the women of the former world attire themselues in fuche forte as these women do?

Philo. The Women of the former age, you may be fure, neuer appareled themselues like one of these. But least you should thinke that the Godly onelie lyued thus aufterly, you shal heare how litle the very hethen and barbarian Women haue, and do at this present, [Heathen women esteeme of apparell; as Stuperius witnesseth, whose words are these,

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1 honest F.
                           <sup>2</sup> godlinesse E, F.
                                                      3 they B, E, F.
   4 before God added in F.
                                        5 or a F.
                                                              6 not in F.
 7-7 or guilt of the fact F.
                                 <sup>6</sup> upon B, E.
                                                     9 vs E, F.
                                                                    10 we E, F.
           † leaf 43, back. Mans saluation to be regarded. B.
   13 to added in E, F.
                                 14 and to F.
                                                       15 naughe (sic) F.
                            16 come to passe E, F.
<sup>17</sup> heading in F: The meane attire of both Heathen and other Women in
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SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES.

Wommens habit, in other cuntries. The Anatomie

speking of the Egiptian women: "Vestimenta sciunt nec nous pristinis mutare, verum semper his in cultibus gaudent perpetuo tempore congredi, quascunque gentes hunc per orbem visitent; Which may be thus turned into English verse:

[G 3, back]

¹The Egiptian Matrones never vse Their fashion 2 of attyre to change, But euer keep one forme to chuse, Although they vifite Nations strange.

[3 leaf 44. B.*]

AND as all Writers doo affirme, all the Women there indifferently go with their haire hanging downe, with a broade hat vppon their heads, and other attyre as playne as the rest, soo farre are these People from Pride, and hunting after strange fashions as our Women doo.

in attire. B. E.

The Women of Affrica are witneffed, by the same Stuperius, and others, to be so farre from affecting trange fashions, or curiofity in aparel, that they cloth themselues, in a manner, all oner ferinis pellibus, with beafts skinnes, furres, and such like. And this they think fo riche attire, as they vse it altogether when they celebrat their festival solemne daies, or when they go abrode to be seene.

The Brafilian Women esteeme so litle of apparell also, as they rather chose to go naked (their secret partes onely being covered) then they wold be thought to be proud, or defirouse of such vanities.5

[German women ress plainly.]

[7 G 4]

The Cantabrian Women likewyse, with many others, do the same. In High Germany, the Women vse in effect one kind of apparel or habite, without any difference at all, nothing like other Nations delighting in new fangles, 7 yea, the wives there are so far from pride that they will not disdaine to carie all their househould stuffe, and other trinckets,8 about with them vppon their backs in tyme of extremitie. These 10 Mayds & Virgins go very plain, with kerchers only on their heads, their 11 haire hanging down behinde, in token of Virginitie.

Thus, you see, euery Nation, how barbarous soeuer, are much inferiour to the people of Ailgna in pride & excesse of apparell; and

† leaf 44, back. Brutish Attire not commendable. B.

² fashions F. * leaf 44. Womens habit, in other Countries. B. 4 affecting of E, F. 5 vanity F. other F. supellectiles E, F. 9 necessity F. 16 Their B, E, F.

yet these examples I alledge not to th' end I wold wish all others to vse the same, or the very like brutish 1 kind of auster 2 habite, but to shew how farre they be from Pride, & how much the other be wedded to the same. And as for the vertuous, & godly christian the vain glory of apparell, & so little (or rather nothing at al) were The contempt of apparell of the former the former of apparell of the former women: from the beginning of the world they have fo litle cared for for the ornaments of the mind, as wisdom, continency, chastitie, & true godlynesse, thinking the same bewtie sufficient. They counted it great shame to cloth their bodies with sumpteous apparel, & their minds to be naked, & voide of true vertue. So, if these women wold feek after the bewtie of the mind, they wold not affect apparell fo much; for if they be faire in body alredy, than need they not gorgeous apparel to make them fairer: & if they be deforme³ in body, it is not the apparell 4 that can make them fairer. And either [4 G 4, back] their bewtie confisteth in them, or in their apparel: If in them, than not in the Apparell, & fo it is meere foolery to were them; And if in apparel, than not in them, and so cannot the garments make them fayre whome God & na5ture hath made otherwise: wherfor look in [5 leaf 45. B.t] what shape, forme, or condition, euerye one is created by God, let him content himselfe with the same, without any alteration or chaunge, with praise to his Creator.

Spud. They hold (notwithstanding) that it is the pride of the heart, which God fo muche hateth and detesteth.

Philo. It is verye true that God punisheth the pride of the heart Pride of the with eternal damnation (if they repent not), for he will be ferued and obyed either with the whole man, or els with none. Than, if he punish the pride of the heart with euerlasting damnation, he must needs (in iustice) punish the pride of Apparell with the like, being Pride of apparell booth ioyned in one predicament of sinne, and the pride of apparell much more hurting before the world than the other.

rel equivalent with Pride of the heart.

Also it is manifest that the pride of apparel riseth first from the corruption of the heart, as the effects from the cause, the fruite from the roote of the tree: than, if the pride of the heart which, notwithstanding it hurteth not outwardly, but is secret betwixt God and him-

> 1 sauage F 2 not in F. 3 deformed F. † leaf 45. Pride of the harte, and of Ap[parell]. B.

2 Samuel 1, C. 24, Ver. 15. ished, and threescore and ten thousand of his People slaine with a greeuous pestilence for the same.

King Pharao, for his pride against the Lord (for he thought him selfe a God vppon the Earth, and therfore asked he Moyses, in derision, who is the Lord?), was drowned in the read Sea with all his hoast. The proude Pharisey, instifying himselse, for his pride was reproued of the Lord, and rejected.

The proude Phansey.

K. Herode.
[1 leaf 47. B.*]

King Herode, for attiring himselse in sumpteous aray & not ascribing glory to the ¹Lord, was strucken ² dead by an Angel, and wormes consumed his slesh immediatly. Al these, with infinit millions moe in al ages, have perished thorow pride; and therfore let not this people think that they shall escape vnpunished, who drinke vp pride as it weare sweet wyne, seede vppon it as vppon delicious meats, and wallowe in it as a ³ filthie swyne doth in the dirtie myre. will the Lord punish his peculiare people and elect vessels, and let them goo free?

God his Plagues are prepared, if we repent not.

[6 G 7]

Wherfore I wold wyshe them to be warned, for it is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of God, who is a confuming fire & a fearfull God. His bowe is bente, his arrowes of iudgements are drawen to the head, his fire is kyndled, his wrath is gone out, & ready to be powred uppon the contemners of his lawes. Tempt not the Lord any longer; prouoke not 6 his wrath, exasperate not his iudgements towards thee; for as mercy proceedeth from him, so doth iustice also; And, be sure of it, he payeth home at the last. For as in mercie he suffreth no good deed to be vnrewarded, so, in his just iudgmente, there is no wickednes? which he leaueth vnpunished. And yet, notwithstanding, their wickednesse and pride is such as stincketh before the face of God, and maketh the Enemies to blaspheme and fpeake euill of the wayes of the Lord: for, fay they, the men of Ailgna are wicked & licentious in all their wayes, which eafily appeareth by their apparell & onew fangled fathions every day inuented. The beaftly Epicures, the Drunkards & swilbowles, vppora their ale benches, when their heads are intoxicat with new wine,10 wil

[° leaf 47, back. B.†]

leaf 47. Gods iudgementes for Pride. B.
 dirtie not in F.
 dissolute F.
 leaf 47, back. Our lives, a slaunder to the Gospell. B.
 and strong drinke added in F.

not stick to belch foorth and say, that the inhabitantes of Ailgna go brauelye in Apparell, chaunging fashions euerie daye, for no cause so much as to delight the eyes of their harlots 1 withall, and to inamoure the mindes of their fleshly paramours. Thus be this People a laughing stock to all the world for their pride, a slaunder to the word of God & to their profession, scandalles to their brethren, a dishonor and reproch to the Lord, and very caterpillers to themselues in wasting and confuming their goods and treafures vppon vanyties & trifles.

fangles and toics are occa sions why all and floute vs.

Our lyuing a slaunder to the truth.

[2 Spud. I perceive these are nice dames, I pray you what exercises followe thei, for the moste parte beyng thus clothed in their robes, and how doe thei spende the tyme? For I stand in doubte thereof?

> [The great n take, E.]

Philo. You neede not to doubt. For thei fpend their time very well, I warrant you, and to their owne contentation.4 For fome of them lye in bed (I will not faie with whom) till nine or tenne of the clocke every mornyng; then, beyng rouzed forthe of their dennes, thei are twoo or three howers in puttyng on their Robes, which beeyng⁵ doen, thei go to dinner, where no delicates either of wines or meates are wanting. Then their boodies beeyng satisfied, and their [o leaf 48. B.f] heades pretely mizzeled with wine, thei walke abrode for a time, or els confer with their familiars (as women you know are talkative enough, & can chat like Pies) all the world knoweth it. Thus fome spende the daie till supper tyme, and then the night, as before. Other fome spende the greatest parte of the daie, in sittyng at the doore, to shewe their braueries, to make knowen their beauties, to beholde the passengers by, to viewe the coast, to see fashions, and to acquainte themselues with the brauest fellowes: for if not for these causes, I see no other causes why thei should sitt at their doores, from Mornyng till Noone (as many doe) from Noone to Night; thus vainly spendyng their golden daies in filthie idlenesse and sinne. Againe, othersome being weary of that exercise, wil7 take occasion (aboute vrgent affaires you must suppose) to walke into the Towne; & least any thing

practises of the

1 whorish mates F.

² From here to p. 89, l. 24, is from B: it's not in A. Heading in F:—The dayly exercises of the Women of England.

³ they scarse spend it wel instead of thereof F. 4 contentments F. ⁵ beeyng not in F.

[†] leaf 48; no head-line B. E has Hand baskets clokes to sinne. 1 wil not in E, F.

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[This page is not in A.]
[Hand baskets clokes to sinne, E.]

[might bee gathered, but that thei goe about fereous matters indeede, thei will 1 take their baskets in their hands, or vnder their armes; vnder which pretence, pretie conceites are practized, and yet maie no man saie blacke is their eye. But if all other waies saile them, yet haue thei one which be sure will speede.

Spud. What waie is that, I praie you declare vnto me.

[3 leaf 48, back, B, *]
[Garden in the fieldes no better then the Stewes. E.]

² Philo. Seyng you are so desirous to knowe I will tell you. In the Feeldes and Suburbes 8 of the Cities thei have Gardens, either palled. or walled round about very high, with their Harbers and Bowers fit for the purpose. And least thei might bee espied in these open places, they have their Banquetting houses with Galleries, Turrettes, and what not els therin sumpteously erected: wherein thei maie (and doubtlesse doe) many of them plaie the filthie persons. that their Gardens are locked, some of them have three or fower keyes a peece, whereof one they keepe for themselues, the other their Paramours have to goe in before them, least happely they should be perceived, for then were all their fporte dasht. Then to these Gardens thei repaire when thei lift, with a basket and a boy, where thei, meeting their sweete hartes, receive their wished desires. These Gardens are exelent places, and for the purpose; for if thei can speak with their dearlynges no where els, yet there thei maie be fure to meete them, and to receive the guerdon of their paines: thei know best 6 what I meane. But I wishe them to amende, for feare of Gods heavie wrathe in the daie of vengeaunce.

[Gardens, places of baudry. B, E.]

Spud. Why? doe you condemne the vse of Gardens and houses then altogether?

Philo. No nothyng lesse. For I knowe they bee very healthful, comfortable, and holsome for mans bodie, and suche thynges, as the vse whereof we can⁸ not lacke. But I condemne these abuses, these corruptions, and enormities there vsed, ⁹ and I pray God thei maie be reformed. There is no thyng so good but it maie be abused: yet I am not so precise that I would have the thyng removed for the abuse, but the abuse to be taken awaie, whereby the thyng it self is made

[9 leaf 49. B.†]
[Euery thing abused, is not to be remoued, but the abuse to be taken away onely. E.]

will not in E, F. heading in F:—Gardens in Englande.

[•] leaf 48, back; no head-line B. E has Gardens places of baudrie.

might F.
 the F.
 best not in E, F.
 -7-7 and garden houses F.
 can we F.
 t leaf 49; no head-line B. E has Women good and badd.

[worse. Nor I speake not against the good and Godly women, for I [This page to l. 24, is not in A.] knowe there bee a greate number, --- and the Lorde increase the number of them that are chast, wise, sober, continent, and verteous Ma trones, and voyde of all these corruptions!-But against those light, leaude. 1 and incontinent Harlottes (as it is well knowne there bee too many) that runne to those places, as fast as euer did the brothelles to the Stewes. And truely I thinke fome of these 2 places are little better then the Stewes and Brothell houses were in tymes past: I beseeche the Lorde to make³ them cleane, either with the Oliue braunch of his mercie, or with the broome4 of his iudgement, that this wickednesse maie be doen 5 awaie.

[I denounce the lewd Harlots, not the virtuous Ma-

Spud. Are these nice Dames, gentle, sober and discrite, or otherwife, giuen to chiding, braulyng, and vnquietnesse: For thei shewe themselues abroade (by reporte) as though butter would not melt in their mouthes.

Philo. There are some, sober, wise, gentle, discrite, and verteous Matrones, as any be in al the worlde. And there be other some (yea maior numerus) that are neuer well, but when thei be, either brawlyng, fcoldyng, or fightyng with 7 fome 8 of their housholde 9: and suche greater number naught. E, F.] deuilles, as a man were better to be hanged then to dwel with them. [8 leaf 49, back. But because I have small experience hereof 10 my felf; 11 but onely by 11 reporte of them that have made triall thereof themselves, I will saie no more, committyng them ouer to the Lorde, to whom thei either stand if thei doe well, or fall if thei doe euill. B, E, F.]

[Womes good and bad, but the

Spud. Seeing that by diuyne affiftance you 12 haue now finished [15 G7, back] your tractation 13 of the Apparell of Ailgna, 14 shew me (I pray you) what other abuses be there vsed; for I am perswaded that pride, the Mother of all 15 finne, is not without her Daughters of finne 16 semblable to her selfe.

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1 lewd F.
                <sup>2</sup> those F.
                               3 sweepe E; purge F.
                                                             4 sharpe rod F.
                            6 those F.
                                                        7 eyther with F.
   <sup>5</sup> put F.
            * leaf 49, back. Horrible whordome in Ailgna. B.
      9 or some others added in F.
                                                        10 therof E, F.
      11-11 saue onely by the E, F.
                                                        13 discourse F.
 14 This is always printed England in F.
                                                      15 all not in B, E, F.
                        16 of sinne not in B, E, F.
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The horryble vice of Whordome in Ailgna.

Whordome in Ailgna too too

Philo. THE horryble vice of Whordome also is ther too too much frequented, to the great dishonor of God, the prouoking of his iudgements against them, the staine and blemish of their profession, the euill example of all the world, and finally to their owne damnation for euer, except they repente. Spud. I have heard them reason, that mutual coition betwixt

man and woman is not fo⁸ offenfiue before God; For do not all

godly reason pretending that whordome is no [5 leaf 50. B.+]

Vain and vn-

Creatures (fay they) as wel reptilia terræ as volatilia Cæli, the creping things vpon the earth, as the 4 flying 5 Creatures 6 in the aire, and all other Creatures in generall, both small & great, ingender together?

hath not nature and kynd ordained them fo? & geuen them members incident to that vse? & doth not the Lord (say they) (as it were with a stimule or prick, by his mandat, saing crescite & multiplicamini & replete terram: increase, multiplie & fill the earth,) stirre them ⁸vp to the fame? Otherwyse the World wold become barren, and foone fall to decay: wherfore they conclude that whordome is a

Oh wicked Lybertynes ! [8 G 8]

badge of loue, a cognizance of amitie, a tutch of lustie youth, a frendlie daliance, a redintegration of loue, and an enfigne of vertue,9 rather meritorious than damnable: these, with the like, be 10 the 11 exceptions 10 12 which I have hard them many times to object 18 in

defence of their carnal pollutions.

Philo. Curfed be those mouths that thus 14 blaspheme the mightie God of Israell and his facred word, making the same, clokes to couer their finne withall: 15 worse are they 15 than Lybertines who thinke all things lawfull, or Atheistes who denie there is any God. The diuells themselues neuer sinned so horribly nor erred so grossely as these (not Christians, but dogges) do, that make whordom a vertue and meritorious: but because you shal see their deceptions displayed & their damnable abuses more plainly discouered, I will reduce you to the

[Those that make whoredo lawfull, are worser then Deuills, E.1

¹ also not in F. ³ reason thus B, E, F. so much F. 4 the not in F. † leaf 50. Libertines defend whordome. B.

⁶ Creatures not in F. 7 proper F. 9 good will B, E, F. 10-10 their ridiculous reasons F. 11 their childishe B, E.

¹² and friuolous objections added in B. E. 13 pretende B, E; alleadge F. 14 dare to added in B; care in E; do in F. 15-15 Thei are much worser B, E, F.

first institution 1 of this Godly ordenance of matrimony. The Lord The first our God, hauing created all things in Heauen, earth or Hell whatfoeuer, created of euery fex two, male & female 2 of both kindes 2; [1 leaf 50, back. and last of al other creatures he made man after his own likenesse & similitude, geuing him a woman, made of a ribbe of his own body, to be his 3 companion, & comforter 4; & lincking them together in the honorable state of 5 venerable wedlocke, he blessed them both, saying 'crescite, multiplicamini & replete terram'; Increase, multiplie, & replenish the earth: wherby it is more than apparent that the Lorde, whose name is Iehouah, the mightie God of Israell, is the Author of Godly matrimony, instituting it in the tyme of mans innocency in Paradice; and that, as mee seemeth, for source causes. First, for the auoydaunce of whordom; Secondly, for the mutuall comforte & confolation that the one might have of the other in all adverfities & calamities what soeuer: Thirdly, for the procreation and Godly pro- 3. [Procreation.] pagation of Children in the feare of the Lord, that both the world might be increased therby, and the Lord also 8 in them glorified.8 And, fourthlie, to be a figure or type of our spirituall wedlocke betwixt Christ and his church, both militant and triumphante. This congression, and mutuall copulation, of those that be thus ioyned together in the Godlye state of blessed matrimony is pure virginitie, and allowable before God and man, 9 as an action wherto the Lorde [9 leaf 51. B.f] hath promised his bleffing thorow his mercy, not by our merite, ex opere operato, as some shame not to say. All other goinges together and coitions are damnable, pestiferous, and execrable. So, now you fee that wheras the Lord faith increase, multiplie, & fill the earth, he alludeth to those that are cheyned 10 together 11 in the 12 Godly state [11 H 1] of 12 matrimonie and wedlock, and not otherwyse: For to those that go together after any other forte, he hath denounced his curse and wrath for euermore, as his alfauing word beareth record. And wheras they Howall fay that all creatures vppon the Earth do ingender together, I graunte it is true; But how? in suo genere, in their owne kinde. There is no

[5 G 8, back]

Mariage in-stituded for

4. [As type of Church.]

All mutuall

creatures do

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• leaf 50, back. Gods curse for Whordome. B.
  2-2 not in E, F.
                                                    <sup>8</sup> a for his E, F.
4 vnto him added in E, F.
                                  inconcency A; innocencie B, E, F.
                           8-8 be glorified in him E, F. (be not in F.)
7-7 not in B, E, F.
               † leaf 51. Fidelitie in maried couples. B.
    10 linked F.
                                          12-12 state of godly F.
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creature creeping on the earth, or flying in the aire, how irrationable focuer, that dooth degenerate as man dooth, but keepethe the fame flate and order wherein they were made at the first; 2 and so 2 if man did, he should not commit³ abhominable whordom and filthie finne as hee dooth. It is faid of those that write de natura animalium, that (almost) all vnreasonable beasts and slying sowles, after they have once linked and vnited them selves togither to any one of the same kinde, and after they have once espoused them selves the one to the other, wil 4 neuer after 5 ioyne them felues with any other, til the one be dissolved from the other by death. And thus they keepe the knot of matrimonie inuio lable to the end. And if any one chaunce to revolte, and go togither with any other, during the life of his first mate, al the rest of the same kind assemble togither, as it were in a councel or parliament, and either kil or greeuously punish the adulterer or adulteresse, whether [so]euer⁸ it be; which lawe I ⁹ would God were amongst Christians established. By all which it may appear how horrible a finne whordome is in nature, that the very vnreasonable creatures doo abhorre it. The Heathen people, who know not God, so much lothe this stinking sinne of whordome, that some burne them quick, some hang them on gibbets, some cut off their heds. fome their armes, legs and hands; fome put out their eyes, fome burne them in the face, some cut of their noses, some one parte of their bodye, some another, and some with one kind of torture, and fome with another; but none leaueth them vnpunished: so that we are fet to schoole to learn our 10 first rudiments 10 (like yung Nouices or Children scarce crept out of the shel 11) how to punish whordome, even by the vnreasonable creatures, and by the heathen people 12 who are ignorant of the deuine goodnes. 13 God be merciful vnto vs/13

creatures in mariage one towards an other.
[6 leaf 51, back.
B.†]

The fidelitie of

(° H 1, back)

How much the Heathen haue detested whordome.

Sundery punishments of whordome amongst the Heathen.

Spud. I pray you rehearse some places out of the woord of God, wherin this cursed vice of whordome is forbidden, for my better instruction.

Philo. Our Sauiour Christe, in the eight of Iohn, speaking to the

¹ doeth so B, E, F.
2 whiche thing B, E, F.
3 commit such E, F.
4 thei wil B, E, F.
5 after not in B; follows themselves in E, F.
† leaf 51, back. The Heathen detest whoredome. B.
7 one not in B, E, F.
10 10 A. B. C. in F.
11 swadling cloathes F.
12 people themselves B, E, F.

woman whom the mali¹cious Iewes had apprehended in adulterie, bad Testimonies her go her way, and fin no more. If it had not been a moste greeuous fin, he would neuer haue bid her 2 to fin therin 2 no more.

⁸ In the fift of Mathew he faith, 'Who so lusteth after a woman in his hart, hath committed the fact alredy, and therfore is guiltie of Mat. 5. death for the same.' To the Pharifes, asking him whether a man might not put away his wife for any occasion? Christe answered, 'for no cause, saue for whordome onely'; inferring that whordome is so hainous a finne, as for the perpetration therof it shalbe lawful for a man to sequester4 him felf from his owne wife, and the wife from her owne husband. The Apostle Paul sayth, 'know you not that your bodyes are the members of Christe? shall I then take the members of Christe (faith he), and make them the members of an whore? God forbid / knowe yee⁵ not that he who coupleth him felf with a⁶ harlot is become one body with her?' 'flee' fornication (faith he), therfore, for every finne that a man committeth is without the body, but who committeth fornication, finneth against his owne body.' And in an-other place: 'knowe you not that your Bodyes are the temples of the holy ghost, which dwelleth within you? And who so destroyeth the Temple of God, him shall God destroy.'

In an other place he faith: 'be not deceived, for neither Whoremonger, Adulterer, Fornica8tor, incestuous person, nor such like, shall euer enter into the kingdome of heauen.' Again, 'Coniugium honorabile est inter omnes: 9 Mariage is honorable amongst all men, and the [9 H 2, back] bed vndefiled; but whooremongers and adulterers, God shall iudge." In the Reuelation of Saint Iohn it is faid, that they who were not defiled with women doo waite vpon the Lamb, whetherfoeuer he goeth. The Apostle Paul willeth vs to be so far from fornication, that it 10 be 11 not once named amongst vs, as becommeth Saints; with infinit fuch places, which for breefnes 12 I omit, referring you in the olde Testament to these and such like 13 places, namely, the 20 of Exodus, 20 of Leuiticus, 14 Deutronomie 22, Deutro. 27, 2 Reg. 11,

* leaf 52. Examples against whoredome. B. 2-2 sin F. 5 you F. 6 an F. 7 Flie F. deuide F. † leaf 52, back. The rewarde of chast liuers. B. 11 be comes after once in F. 12 breuitie F. 10 it maie B, E, F.

14_14 22. Deuteronomy. 27. 2. Kinges F. (‡ 22 13 like not in E, F. Deuteronomie for Deutronomie 22, Deutro. in B, E.)

dome is forbid. [1 leaf 52. B. *]

Mat. 19; Mat. 10; Luc. 16.

[8 leaf 52, back.

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(Bible bits against whore dom.)

Leuit. 18,¹ Exodus 22. Num. 5, Eccle. 9, Pro. 23, Pro. 7² verfe, 24.

Spud. As you have now prooved by invincible testimonies of holy
Scripture, that whordome is forbidden by the Lord, so, I pray you,
shew mee the greeuousness thereof by some severe & rare examples
of Gods inst indgement, executed vppon the same from the
begining.

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Punishments of whordom in all Ages.

[6 leaf 53. B.†] Genesis 19; Genesis 24. Genesis 20. [7 H 3]

G. 26. Ge. 18.

2 Reg. 16. [Absalon, Ge. 29.

Reuben,)

Iudi. 20. 2 Reg. 13, 12. [David,

Solomon,]
[1 Reg. 11, B,
E, F.]

⁴Philo. The whole world was destroyed with water, not any liuing thing left vpon the erth (faue in the Ark of Noath 5) for the fin of whordom, incest, & brothelry, vsed in those daies. Sodoma and Gomorra, two famous Cities, were confumed with fire and brimftone from heaven for the like fin of whordom, aduleterie, and fornication. The citie of the Sichemits, man, woman, and childe, weare put to the edge of the 7 (woord for the rauishing of Dina, the daughter of lacol. The Lord also tolde Abimelech that if he did not let go vntouched Sara, Abraham his 8 wife, bothe he and all his housholde should 9 dye the death, notwithstanding he did it ignorauntly. The very same happed to Isaac also. Iudah, 10 vnderstanding that his daughter in law was impregnate and great with childe, and not knowing by whom, commanded that she should be burned without any further delay. 11 Was not Absalon, king Dauid his sonne, plagued all his life for going into his Fathers Concubines? And did not Achitophel, who gaue councel so to do, hang himself? Was not Ruben, the first borne some of Iacob, accurfed for going vp to his Fathers bed; and loft he not his birth-right, his dignitie, his 12 primacie, ouer his Bretheren for the fame? Were there not aboout threescore and fiue thousand men flain for the adulterie doon with one Leuits wife? Was not king Dauid punished all the daies of his life for his adultery doon with Berfabe, Vrias his wife? Was not his some Amon, for lying with 13 Thamar, flain? Was not Salomon, beeing peruerted with 14 hethen women, cast out of the fauour of God, notwithstanding being otherwise the wifest Prince in all the world? 15 Did not 15 Achab, at the perswa-

¹ Leuiticus 11 B, E, F.

² 2 Prouer. 7 B, E. ³ poured forth E, F. ⁴ heading in F:—Examples of whoredom punished in all ages.

Noah F.
 + leaf 53. Punishmentes for Whordom. B.
 Abrahams F.
 shall F.
 Iudas A.
 de-delay (stc) F.

¹³ and B, E, F.

13 his Sister added in F.

14 with many F.

15 not in F.

fions of Iefabel, his curfed wife, falling 1 to Idolatrie and woorshiping 3 Reg. 21. of Idolles and deuils, fuffer moste cruel punishment in this life all B. 1 leaf 53, back. his dayes; befides, what he suffereth now, God onely knoweth. Were [H 3, back] not the Israelite and Madianitish woman both slain 4 by that woorthy Num. 25. man Phinees, who ran them both thorow the 5 priuy members with Iud. 16. his Iauelin or fwoord? Was not Sampson brought to a miserable end, [Sampson, his eyes beeing bothe put out, and he made to be a laughing stock to all men, thorow his too much fauouring of wanton women? Was not king Pharao wunderfully plagued, but for intending euil in his hart Pharaoh,] towards Sara, Alraham his wife? Did not the Lord flay (with a moste greeuous mortalitie) foure & twentie thousand of the Israelites in [24,000 Israelites one day, for whordome and adulterie with the women of the Moabites and Madianits?

By these, and such like fearful Examples of the instice of God were all punish for whorepowred vpon these whoremongers & adultrers, we may learn to know the greeuousnes of the same, and the punishment due to all whoremongers and fornicatours, either in this life, or in the World 6 to come, or els in both: for if the Lord deferre the punishment of whordome in this life, hee referueth it for the world to come, fuffering the wicked to wallow in their finne, and to fil vp the measure of iniquitie, that their damnation may be iust. And if the Lord left not fin vnpunished, no, not in 7 his most deer Saints, 8 what he wil 9 doo in [7 leaf 54 B.1] them who dayly crucifie him anew, let the world 10 judge.

Spud. Now am I fully perswaded, by your inuincible reasons, that there is no fin greater before the face of God then whordome; wherfore, God graunt that all his may avoid it.

Philo. You have faid true, for there is no finne (almost 11) comparable vnto it; for befides that it bringeth euerlasting damnation to all that live therin to the end without repentance, it also bringeth these inconveniences, with many mo: vidilicet, it dimmeth the fight, it impaireth the hearing, it infirmeth the finewes, it weakneth the ioynts, it exhausteth the marrow, confumeth the 12 moisture and supplement of the body, it riveleth the face, appalleth the countenance, it dulleth

body in this life.

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• leaf 53, back. Examples for Whoremongers. B.
                                       4 for Whoredome added in F.
   3 should be suffer'd in F.
          5 their B, E, F.
                                                  6 life E, F.
† leaf 54. Many euils come by whordome. B
                                                    wil B; shall E, F.
 10 godly E, F.
                         11 almost not in F.
                                                     13 the radicall F.
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[8 H 4]

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the fpirits, it hurteth the memorie, it weakneth the whole body, it bringeth 1 it into a 1 confumption, it bringeth 2 vicerations, 3 fcab, fcurf, blain, botch, pocks, & biles; it maketh hoare haires & 4 bald pates; it induceth olde age, &, in fine, bringeth death before nature vrge it, malady enforce it, or age require 5 it.

Sp. Seeing that whordome bringeth fuch foure fauce with it, namely, death everlasting after this life, and so many discommodities besides in this life, I wunder that men dare commit the same so securely as they doo now a dayes.

[7 leaf 54, back. B.†]
[9 H 4, back]
The small care to auoid whordome in Ailgna.

Philo. It is so little feared in Ailgna, that, vn⁷till ⁸enery one hath⁸ two or three Bastardes a peece, they esteeme him no man⁹ (for that they call a mans deede); insomuch as ¹⁰ enery scuruie boy of twelue, sixteen, or twenty yeeres of age, wil make no conscience of it to have two or three, peraduenture half a dosen severall women with childe at once; and this exploite beeing doon, he showes them ¹¹ a faire pair of heeles, and away goeth he, Euro¹² velocius, as ¹³ quick as a Bee ¹³ (as they say) into some strange place where he is not knowen, where, how he liueth, let the wise¹⁴ iudge, for, coelum non animum mutant qui trans mare currunt; though they chaunge their place of abode, yet their naughtie dispositions they retaine stil. Then, having estraunged them selues thus for a small space, they returne againe, not to their prissine cursed life, I dare say, but vnto ¹⁵ their cuntrey, and then no man may say black is their eye; but all is wel, & they as good christians as

Whormongers runagates.

Spud. The state and condition of that Cuntrey is most miserable, if it be true you report: it weare much better that euerye one had his lawful wife, and euery woman her lawfull husband, as the Apostle commaundeth, then thus to be 16 drowned 17 in the filthie fin of whordome.

those that suffer them vnpunished.

Mariage an antidotarie against Whordome. Philo. That is the only falue and foueraine remedy which the lord ordained against whordome, that those who have not the gift of

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<sup>2</sup> causeth B, E, F.
                                                         3 viceration F.
1_1 not in B, E, F.
                            5 constraine F.
                                                  6 as namely B, E, F.
4 and not in B, E, F.
         † leaf 54, back. Causes of bastardie in Ailgna. B.
                                                      10 that E, F.
    •_ one hath had F.
                                                         12 pilo F.
    11 all added in E, F.
                                       14 world F.
                                                             u to E.
  13_13 round as a hall F.
                           17 and immerged added in E; plunged F.
  16 lye B, E.
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of Abuses. Causes of many beggers in Ailg[na].

continencie might mary, and so keep their vessels 1vndefiled to the [t H 5, A; leaf Lord. But, notwithstanding, in Ailgna there is ouer great libertye permitted therin; for litle infants in fwadling clowts, are often maried by their ambicious Parents and frends, when they know neither good nor euill; and this is the origene of much wickednesse, & directlie against the word of Gou, and Charles age. And befydes this, you shall have every fawcy boy of x, xiiij, Every Boy snatcheth vp a woman & marie her, without Woman to any feare of God at all, or respect had, either to her religion, wisdom, integritie of lyfe, or any other vertue; or, which is more, without any respecte how they maye lyue together with sufficient maintenance for their callings and estat. No, no; it maketh no matter for these things: so he have his pretie pussie to huggle withall, 2it forceth not,2 for that is the only thing he defireth. Than build they vp a [Cottages in cotage, though but of elder poals, in euery lane end, almost, wher E, F. they lyue as beggers al their life.3 This filleth the land with fuch flore of poore people,4 that in short tyme (except some caution5 be prouided to preuent the fame), it is like to growe to great pouertie and scarsnes,6 which, GoD forbid!

infants in

Sp. I canot fee how this geare shold be holpen.

Philo. What if a restraint were made that 7 none (except A restraint of vppon speciall and vrgente causes) should marie before they come to xx or xxiiij 8 yeeres, or, at the 9 least, before they be xiiij or xviii yeeres old, would not this make fewer beggers than now [8 H 5, back] there are?

Sp. But if this were established, than should we have moe Bastards; and of the two, I had rather we had many 10 legittimats than many illegittimates.10

Philo. The occasion of begetting of manye Bastards were some How whorcut of, if the punishment which either 11 God his lawe doth allowe, or suppressed.

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* leaf 55. Causes of many beggers in Ailgna. B.
       2-2 not in B, E, F.
                                                     3 life after B, E, F.
   4 Mendicantes, or to speak plainely §, of Beggers as wee call them B, E. § E
has plainlyer. For 'of poore people,' F has of Beggers as we call them F.
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⁵ remedy F. 6 extream misery F. † leaf 55, back. Remedies to suppresse whordome. B. 9 the not in E, F. 10-10 children lawfully begot than many Bastards F.

11 either not in F.

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Due punishment for whordome. The Anatiomic

els which good pollicy 1 doth conflitute, 1 were 2 aggranated and executed 2 vppon the Offenders.

[5 leaf 56, B.+]

[6 H 6]

ought not to be punished by the purse. E, F.]

[Let the Arch

For the punishment appointed for whordom now is so light that they esteeme not of it; thei seare it not, they make but a iest of it For what great thing is it to go if or three dayes in a white sheete before the congregation, and that fomtymes not past an howre or two in a day, having their vivall garments underneth, as commonly they This impunitie (in respecte of condigne punishement, which that ⁵vice requireth) doth rather animate and imbolden them to the acte, than feare them from it. In fo much as I have heard fome miscreants impudently say, that he is but a beast that for such white lyuered punishment would abstaine from suche gallant pastyme: but certen it is that they who thinke it suche sweet meate here, shall find the sawce sowre and stiptick enough in Hell. [8 And yet as light and as easie as this punishment is, it may be, and is daiely dispensed with-all for monie: and this is thought to be the best kinde of punishment, to punishe them by the purse. Then the whiche, what can be a greater disorder in a Christian common wealth? Is this any thyng els then to buye and sell the bodies and soules of Christians for monie? Can the Pope himself doe any more then this? Is not this a maintenance of the Stewes? Yea, so long as this is vsed, the Stewes shall neuer be out of Ailgna. Let the Magistrates therefore of the Ecclesiastical Hierarchie (for to them I speake) take heede that thei be not maintainers of Stewes and whoredome, whereof thei would fo faine bee thought to bee suppressors. For this kind of dispensing with Whoredome, Adulterie, and Fornication for monie, and fettyng of them free a culpa, rubore, 10 & pæna, 11 in this worlde, 11 from the falte 12 it felf, 13 from the shame, 18 and punishment due for the fault? What is it els then not onely a maintenaunce, but also a

¹⁻¹ hath constituted F. 2-2 executed and aggravate B; inflicted F. 3 or els in a Cope (a ridiculous kinde of punishmente) added in B, E, F.

⁴ [And truely I can not a little admire, nor yet sufficiently deplore the ⁴ (* that F.) wickednesse of the Ecclesiasticall Magistrates, in not punishing more greeuously, this horrible sinne of whoredome: for to goe in a sheete with a white wande in their handes, is but a plain mockyng of God, and of his Lawes. Added in B, E, F.] † leaf 56. No head line. B.

⁷ bitter F.

⁶ From this, to p. 99, l. 16, not in A. 11__11 not in E. F. suspensed in E. 10 not in F.

¹³ falte B, E; fault F.

¹³_13 not in F.

[stirryng of them vp to commit whoredome, when for a little monie thei 1 maie be discharged of all gilte? And this beyng certaine, or at least very likely, that whosoeuer getteth one with child, of what reputation or degree soeuer she be of, (if he be fingle) he shall be forced to marie her, and that? for a little peece of monie, thei may both haue a Bull of dispensation. This beyng so, who, I saie, will not seeke to afpire as high as he can,3 and affay4 to deflower (in hope of further gaine) as many as he maie.5 This filuer punishment is it, that defileth honest Matrones, polluteth chast Virgines, and dishonesteth poore Maides, to their vtter shame and vndoyng for euer. I saie nothing, how the monie received for these dispensations is bestowed, how spent, nor wherevoon imployed. The Lord for his mercies fake, give them grace to punishe vice seuerely, as the worde of God doeth commaunde, and not after their owne fenfuall defires,7 and licencious lustes, that God maie be glorified, and their consciences disburdened 8 at the greate daie of the Lorde. Added in B, E, F.]

Spud. What punishment would you have inflicted vppon such as commit this horrible kinde of finne?

Philo. I would wish that the Man or Woman, who are certenlye what kind of knowen, without all fcruple or doubte, to have committed the horryble fact of whordome, adulterie, incest, or fornication, eyther should 9 drinke a full 10 draught of Moyses cuppe, that is, tast of present death [as Gods word doth 11 commaunde, and good pollicie allowe B, E]; or els, [11 leaf 57. B.†] if that be thought too feuere (for 12 in euill, men will be more mercifull than the Author of mercie him felfe, but in goodnesse, fare well mercy) than wold God they might be cauterized and feared with a hote yron on 13 the cheeke, forehead, or some other parte of their bodye that might be seene, to the 14 end the honest and chast Christians might be discerned from the adulterous Children of Sathan. 14 But (alas!) this vice (with the rest) wanteth such due punishement as God his Word doth commaunde to be executed 15 thervppon. 16

• leaf 56, back. Due punishment for whordome. B. 2 thus F. 5 can in E, F. ⁸ may in E, F. 4 assay not in E, F. 8 discharged F. whereunto in E, F. 7 appetites F. 10 full not in F. 9 eyther comes after should in F. † leaf 57. A late example for whordom, in Ailg. B.

12 as in E, F. 13 vppon F. 14_14 end that the adulterous children of Sathan, might be discerned from the honest and chast Christians B, E, F. 15 inflicted F. 16 vppon them E, F.

for money, is a playne maintendome, E. F.1 [1 leaf 56, back. B.*]

100 Two adulterers burned in Ailg[na]. The Anatomie

[Magistrates wink at whore-dom.]

The Magistrates wincke at it, or els, as looking thorowe their fingers, they see it, and will not see it.

And therfore the Lorde is forced too take the fword into his owne hands, and to execute punishment him selse, because the Magistrates will not.2

[3 H 6, back]

* For better proof wherof, marke this strange & fearful judgment of god, shewed vpon two adulterous persons there,4 euen the last day in effect, the remembrance wherof is yet green in their heds.

A most dreadfull example of two notorious whoremongers. Ë.]

[5 W. Brustar.]

[6 leaf 57, back. B.+] [Bridewell.]

[Whoremongers members of the Deuill, E.]

[9 H 7]

(The punishment of whordome by the Lord himself from heauen, E.]

There was a man whose name was W. Ratsurb⁵, being certenly knowen to be a notorious vierer (and yet pretending alway a fingular zeale to religion, so that he wold seldom tymes go without a byble about him: but fee the judgements of God vpon them that will take his word in their mouthes, and yet lyue cleane contrarie, making the word of God a cloke to couer their 6 finne and naughtynesse withall 7); who, vppon occasion of busines, visiting Lewedirb, a place appointed for the correction of such that 8 be wicked lyuers, saw there a famous whore, but a very proper Woman, whom (as is faid) he knew not; but whether he did or not, certen it is that he procured her delyuery from thence, bayled her, &, having put away his owne wife before, kept her in his chamber, vfing her at his pleafure. Whylest these two members of the deuil were playing the vile Sodomits together in his chamber, & having a litle pan of coles before them, wherin was a very litle fire, it pleased God, euen in his wrath, to strike these two persons dead in a moment. The Woman, falling ouer the pan of coles, was burned, that all her bowels gushed out: the man was founde lying by, his 9 cloths in some partes being scorched and burned, & some partes of his body also. But, which is most wonderfull, his arme was burned to the very boone, his shirt fleeue and dublet not once perished, nor tutched with the fire. Wherby may be thought, & not without great probabilitie of truth, that it was even the fire of God his wrath from Heauen, and not any natural fire from the earth. And in this wonderfull & fearfull maner weare these cupple founde: which God graunt may be a document 10 to all that

1 From here to p. 101, end of line 3, not in F.

⁴ in Munidnol, for there E. 2 not do it added in E. † leaf 57, back. Two Adulterers burned in Ailgna. B.

⁶ as B. E. 7 as many do in these daies added in E.

¹⁰ or lesson admonitorie added in B, E.

102 Great excesse in delicate fare. The Anatomic

(° H 8)

is, for that there is no finne in all the World, but these whores and whoremaisters will 1 willingly attempt and atcheiue for the 1 inioying of their whordome. 2 And Hell, destruction, and death euerlasting, is the guerdon therof, and yet men cannot 3 be aware 3 of it. The Lord 4 remouse it from all his Children, 4 and present them blameles before his tribunall seate, without spotte or wrincle at that 5 great day of the Lord!

Spud. What ⁶memorable thing ⁶ els haue you feen there frequented? for feeing you haue begun in parte, I pray you describe the whole.

Gluttonie and drunkennesse in Ailg[na].

Philo. I Haue seene that which greeneth mee to report. The People there are marueilously given to daintie fare, gluttonye, belicher, & many also to drunkennesse & gourmandice.

⁹ Sp. That is a manifest argument of good hospitality, which both is commended in the word of God, & which I know you wil not reprehende.

Ph. Godly hospitalitie is a thing in no wise worthy of reprehenfion, but rather of great commendation; for many haue received
Angels into their houses, at vnawares, by vsing the same, as Abraham,
Lot, Tobias, & many others. Yet if hospitality flow over into superfluitie & riotous excesse, it is not tolerable: for 10 now adaies, if the
table be not covered 11 from the one end to the other, as thick as one
dish can stand by another, 12 with delicat meats 13 of sundry sorts, one
cleane different from an other, and to every dish a severall sawce
appropriat to 14 his kinde, it is thought there vnworthye the name of a
dinner. Yea, so many dishes shal you have pesteruing the table 15 at
once, as the insaciablest Helluo, the devouringest glutton, or the greediest cormorant that is 16, can scarse eat of every one a litle. And these
many shall you have at the first course; as many at the second; and,
peraduenture, moe at the third; besydes other sweet condyments, 17 and
delicat consections of spiceries, and I cannot tell what. And to these

Godly hospitalitie to be commended.

Daintie fare, gluttony and gourmandice

vsed in Ailg

[9 leaf 59. B.*]

(12 H 8, back)

Varitie of dishes and meats, with their curious sawces.

Excesse of meats.

1—1 gredily commit for F.

4—4 keep all his children from it F.

7 The Gluttonie B, E, F.

9 leaf 59. Great excesse in delicate fare. B.

13 meat F.

14 in F.

15 thereon F.

18 beware B, E, F.

4—6 notable abuses F.

8 excesse B, E, F.

10 and B, E.

11 pestered F.

12 in meat F.

13 thereon F.

14 in F.

15 thereon F.

dainties, all kind of wynes are not wanting, you may be fure. Oh, what nifitie is this! what vanitie, excesse, ryot and superfluitie is The austerity and Godly heare! Oh, farewell former world! For I have heard my Father say that in his dayes, one dish or two of good wholsome meate was World in meats and drinkes. thought sufficient for a man of great worship to dyne withall; and if they had three or four kinds, it was reputed a sumptuous feast. A good peece of beef was thought than good meat, and able for the best; but now it is thought too grosse, for their tender stomacks are not able to difgeft 5 fuch crude and harsh meats 5: For if they shold, (their stomacks being so queasie as they be, and not able to concoct it) Nice, tender they should but euacuat the same againe, as other filthie excrements, in F.] their bodies receiving no noorith9ment therby, or els 10 they should 10 lye [9 I 1] stincking in their stomacks, as dirte in a filthie finck or pryuie. If this be so, I marueile how oure fore-Fathers lyued, who eat litle els but cold meats, groffe and hard of difgefture. Yea, the 11 most of them fead vppon graine, corne, roots, pulse, herbes, weeds, and such other baggage, and yet lived longer then wee, 12 helthfuller then we, were 12 of The faraginie better complection then we, and much stronger then we in euerie respect: wherfore I cannot perswade my self otherwise, but that our nicenes and curiousnes in dyet hath altered our nature, distempered our bodies, and made vs more 18 fubiect to millions of 14 difcrafies and 14 diseases then euer weare our Forefathers subject vnto, and consequently of shorter life then they.

Our nice fare hath altered our bodies and chaunged our

Spud. They wil aske you again, wherfore god made such varietie of meats, but to be eaten of men? what answere give you to that?

15 Philo. The Lord our God ordained, indeede, the vse of meat 16 and [15 leaf 60. B.1] drinks for man to fustain the fraile, caduke, 17 and brittle estate 18 of his mortall body withall 19 for a time; But he gaue 20 it him not 20 to 21 delight and 22 wallow therin continually 22; for as the olde Adage faith, Non

leaf 59, back.

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1 what prodigality added in F.
                                                      <sup>2</sup> what excesse F.
                                                      4_4 and 5_5 not in, B, E,
   * leaf 59, back. Hard fare holsomest. B.
F. From such to pryuie, line 13, not in F.
                                                 <sup>6</sup> so vnable for not able B, E,
    <sup>7</sup> but not in B; might happely E.
                                                  8 crude and indigest B, E.
      10-10 it would B; might E.
                                                           11 the not in F.
                                      13 more not in B, E, F. 14_14 not in F.
12 were before helthfuller B, E, F.
† leaf 60. How meates bryng destruction. B. 16 meates B, E, F. 17 not in F.
 18 state F. 19 withall not in F. 20-20 them not unto him B, E, F. 21 for F.
  22_22 pleasure onely, but for necessitie and neede F; as the swine do in ye
mire added after continually in B. E.
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104 Small releefe for the poore.

The Anatomie

Medictic to be observed in

[7 I z, back]

When meats and drinks are Instruments of destruction vato vs.

Ge. 24.

r Reg. 2.⁷⁴
[⁷⁵ leaf 60, back. B.*]
[Bible instances of the evils of Gluttony.]

Daniel 5, verse 5.16

[18 sign. I 2] Luc. 16.

Mat. 4. [The Devil tempted Christ through Gluttony.] viuendum1 vt edamus, sed edendum2 vt viuemus: Wee 2 must not line2 to eat, but wee must 4 eat to live; wee must not swill and ingurgitate our 5 fromacks so ful,6 as no more can be crammed 7 in. The Lord willed8 that they should be ordinarie meanes to preserve 10 the faste of 10 our bodyes 11 a time, whilste we line and soiourne in this vaste wildernes of the worlde, but not that they should be instruments of destruction to vs bothe of body and foule. And truely they are no leffe when they are taken immoderatly without the feare of God. And 12 dooth not the impletion and facietie of meates and drinks provoke luft? as Hiero saith, Venter Mero estuans spumat in libidinem, the belly enflamed with wine burfleth foorth into luft. Doth not luft bring foorth finne. and fin bring 13 foorth death? The Children of Ifrael, giving themfelues to delicat fare & gluttony, fel to Idolatrie, facriledg & apostase, worshipping stocks, stones, and deuils, in-sted of the liuing God. The fonnes of Hely the Priest, giving themselves to daintie fare & belly cheere, fell into such sin as the Lord slew them all, & their fallsther also, for that he chastised them not for the same. The Children of bleffed Iob, in midst of all their banquetings & ryot, were slain by the lord, the whole house falling vpon them, and destroying them most pitifully. Balthafar, king of the Chaldeans, in midst of all his good cheer, faw a hand writing vpon the wall these woords, mene'll techel upharsin, fignifing that his kingdome should be taken from him; and so it was, and he slain the same night by the 18 hand of the lord. The rich glutton in the Gospel, for his riotous feastings & proposterous 19 living, was condemned to the fire of hel. Our Father Adams with all his of-fpring (to the end of the world) was condemned to hel-fire for taking one apple to fatisfie his glotonus defire withall Gluttony was one of the chiefest canons wherwith the deuil assailed Christe, thinking therby to batter his kingdome & to win the feeld for euer; yet not withstanding the greeuousnes heerof, the same is thought to be a coutenance & a great credit to a man in Ailg [na]. But true hospitality confisteth not in many dishes, nor in sundry sorts of meats

¹ viuimus F. 2 edimus F. 3—3 liue not F. 4 must not in F.
5 so much into our B, E, F. 5 so ful not in B, E, F. 6 provided them E, F

9 as F. 10—10 not in F. 11 for a B, E, F. 12 Besides that B, E, F.

13 bringes F. 14 3 Reg. 2. in B, E, F.

9 leaf 60, back. Small reliefe for the poore. B. E has Gluttony punished.

leaf 60, back. Small reliefe for the poore. B. E Aas Gluttony punished.
 verse 5. 25. in B, E, F.
 mene added in B, E, F.
 inordinate F.

(the fubstance wherof is chaunged 1 almoste into accidents thorow their curious cookries, & 2 which doo help to 2 rot the 3 bodies & shorten wherin hostheir daies) but rather in giuing liberally to the poor and indigent4 pitalitie consisteth. members of Iesus Christe, helping them to meat, drink, lodging, clothing, 5& fuch other necessaries wherof they stand in need.

[5 leaf 61. B.*]

But such is their hospitality, that the poor haue the least part of it: The small you shal haue 20, 40, 60, yea a C li. spent in some one house in banqueting & festing, yet the poor shall have litle or nothing: if they have any thing, it is but the refuse meat, scraps & parings,7 such as a dog would scarse eat somtimes; & wel if they can get that too: insted wherof, 8 not a few haue whipping cheer to feed them 9 withall. 10 it is counted but a small matter for 11 a man that can scarslie dispend [11 I 2, back] fortie pound 12 by the yeer, to bestow against one time, ten or twentie pound 12 therof in spices. And truely, so long & so greeuously hath this excesse of gluttonie and daintie fare surffeted in Ailgna, as I feare mee, it will spue out many of his Maisters out of dores before it be long. But as some be ouer largeous, 13 so other some are spare enough; for Locking vp of Gates, when when any meat is stirring, then lock they vp their gates, that no man meat is stirmay come in. An-other forte 14 haue fo many houses that they visit them 18 once in vii yeer 16; many Chimnies, but little fmoke; faire houses, but small hospitalitie. And to be plaine, there are three cankers. which, in processe of time, wil eat vp the whole common Welth, 17 if Three deuourspeedy reformation be not had, namely, daintie Fare, gorgious Buildings, and fumptuous Apparel; which three Abuses 18, 19 especially, yet [19 leaf 61, back.]
B.†] not without their cosin germanes, doo florish there. God remooue them thence, for his Christes Sake.

Spud. I had thought that dainty fare & good cheer had both noorished the body perfectly, and also prolonged life 20; & dooth it not so think you? Philo. Experience, as [by] 21 my former intimations you may

1 changed E.

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<sup>2</sup>—<sup>2</sup> impotionate slibber sawces which B, E, F; (sibber in B.)
3 their B, E, F.
                     4 needy F.
                                       * leaf 61. Small hospitalitie in Ailgna. B.
       <sup>6</sup> refuge A; refuse B, E, F.
                                           7 patrings A; parings B, E, F.
                                      9 themselues B, E, F.
    now and then not B, E, F.
                                                                 10 yea it B, F.
       12 poundes F.
                                       13 and profluous herein added in F.
                                       15 not once B, E, F.
     14 forte A; sorte B, E, F.
                                                                  16 yeares F.
     17 of Ailgna added in B, E, F.
                                        18 three deuouryng Cankers B, E, F.
                † leaf 61, back. Diversitie of meates hurtfull. B.
   20 life greatly B, E, F.
                             21 by F; in B, E; both by and in wanting in A.
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Who more subject to infirmities then they that fare best? [1 sign. I 3. A.] gather, teacheth clean contrary; for who is ficklier then they that faredeliciously enery day? who is corrupter? who belcheth more? who looketh wursie, who is weaker land seebler then they? who hatken more filthie colour,2 flegme, and putrifaction (repleat2 with groffee humors) then they? and, to be breef, who dyeth fooner then they ? Doo wee not see the poor man that eateth brown bread (wherof som is made of Rye, barlie, peafon, beans, oates, and fuch other groff graines) & drinketh fmall drink, yea, formetimes water, feedeth vpos milk, butter, and cheese; (I say) doo wee not see such a one helthan fuller, stronger,4 and longer living,5 then the other that fare6 daintil euery day? And how should it be otherwise? for wil not the esting of divers and fundry kindes of meats, of divers? operations and quality ties (at one meale) engender distemperance in the body? And thbody distempered, wil it not fall into sundry deseases? one meat is 9 one hard difgefture, another of light9; & whilst the meate of hard diff gesture is in concocting, the other meat 10 of light disgesture doot putrifie and flink: & this is the very mother of all diseases. on is of this qualitie, another of that; one of this operation, another of that; one kind of meat is good for this thing, another is naught for that. Then, how can all these contrarieties & discripancies 13 agree togither in one body at one & the same time? wil not one contrary impugne his contrary 12? one enemy refult an other? Then, what wifeman is he that wil receive all these enemies into 18 the castle of 13 his 14 body at one time? Doo we not fe, by experience, that they that give themselves to dainty fare and sweet meats are never in helth? dooth not their fight wax dim, their eares hard of hering, their teeth rot & fall out? dooth not their breth stink, their stomack 15 belch foorth filthy humors, and their memory decay? doo not their spirits and sences become heuie & dul by reason of 16 17 exhalations & impure vapors, which rife vp in 1817 their gingered brefts & spiced stomacks? &,

Eating of diuers meats at one time hurtful.

[10 leaf 62. B.†]

The spedy decay of those that geue themselues to daintie fare.

[14 I 3, back]

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3 together E, F.
                                      4 fairer complectioned added in B, E, F.
<sup>8</sup> choller E, F.
                                  7 contrary B, E, F.
    5 liued F.
                   6 fared F.
                                                           the not in F.
                  another light F.
                + leaf 62. The decay of daintie feeders. B.
      11 repugnacies F.
                                13 contrary A.
                                                       18_13 not in F.
                                                   16 of the B. E. F.
         15 stomackes F.
        17-17 the filthy vapours and stinking fumes which rise from F.
                               18 from B, E.
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fumyng vp to the hed, they mortifie the vitall spirits & intellectine powers. 2 dooth not 2 the whole body become 8 purfie & corpulent, yea, fomtimes decrepit therwith,4 & ful of all filthy corruption? The Lord keep his chofen from the tafting therof.5

⁶Sp. You spake of drunkennes, what say you of that?

7 Phi. I say that it is a horrible vice, & too too much vsed in [7 leaf 62, back. Ail[gna]. Euery cuntrey, citie, towne, village, 8 & other, 8 hath 9 abundance of alehouses, tauerns, & Innes, 10 which are so fraughted 10 with mault-wormes, night & day, that you would wunder to fe them. You The beastly vice of drunkness frequented in Ailg(na). yea, all the night too,11 peraduenture 12 a whole 12 week togither, fo long as any money is left; fwilling, gulling, & carowing from one to another, til neuer a one can speak a redy woord. Then, when with the spirit of the buttery they are thus possessed, a world it is to confider their geftures 18 & demenors, 14 how they flut and flammer, flagger & reele too & fro like madmen: 15 some vomiting, spewing, & dif- [15 sign, I 4. gorging their filthie ftomacks; other fome 16 (Honor fit auribus)16 piffing vnder the boord as they fit, & which is most horrible, some fall to fwering, curfing, & banning, interlacing their speeches with curious tearms of blasphemie, to the great dishonour of God, and offence of the godly eares 17 prefent.18

Sp. But they wil fay, that god ordained wines & ftrong drinks to cheer the hart & to fustain the body 19; therfore it is lawful to vse them to that end.

Philo. Meats (moderatly taken 20) corroborate 21 the body, refresh The lothsome the arteries, & reuiue the spirits, making them apter, euery member, to those that be doo his office as god hath appointed 22; but being immoderatly taken [22 leaf 63. B.+1]

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1 they not in B, E, F.
                                            2-2 in so much that F.
  3 becommeth F.
                                                        4 withall F.
 6 A new chapter-heading in B and E here: - Drunkennesse in Ailgna.
             6 heading in F :- Drunkennesse in England.

    leaf 62, back. The beastly vice of drunkennesse. B.

    6_6 and other places B, E, F.
  10_10 in them, which are haunted F.
                                                    11 too not in F.
  12_12 all the F.
                                   13 their countenances added in F.
14 one towardes an other, and towardes every one els, added in B, E, F.
16_16 not in F.
                     17 hearers B, E, F.
                                               18 present not in E, F.
  19 body withall B, E, F.
                                       20 by the blessing of God F.
           † leaf 63. The discommodities of drunkennes. B.
                       22 them added in E, F.
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The spirite or

108 Drunkards wursse then Beasts. The Anatomie

The transfiguration of those that be drunke. (as commonly they be), they are infiruments of damnation to the abusers of the same, a woorish not the body, but corrupt it rather, 2& cafteth 2 it into a world 3 of deseases And 4 a man once drunk with wine or ftrong drink, rather resembleth a brute beaste then a christian man; for doo not his eies begin to stare & to be red, stery & blered, blubbering foorth feas of teares? dooth he not frothe & fome at the mouth like a bore? dooth not his tung faulter and flammer in his mouth? dooth not his hed seeme as heuie as a milstone, he not being able to bear it vp? Are not his wits & spirits, as it were, drowned? Is not his vnderstanding altog[et]her decayed? doo not his hands, & all his body 7, quiuer 8 & shake, as it were, with a quotidian feuer? Besides these, it casteth him 10 into a dropsie or plu11 refie, nothing so soon; it infeebleth the finewes, it weakneth the natural strength, it corrupteth the blood, it diffolueth the whole man at the length, and finally maketh him forgetful of him-felf altogither, so that what he dooth being drunk, he remembreth not, being fober. The Drunkard, in his drunkennes, killeth his freend, reuileth his louer, discloseth secrets, and regardeth no man: he either 12 expelleth all feare 13 of god out of his minde, all looue of his freends & 14 kinffolkes, all remembrance of honestie, ciuilitie, & humanitie; so that I will not feare to call drunkerds beafts, and no men; and much wurste then beafts, for beafts neuer exceed in 15 fuch kind of excesse or superfluitie, but alway modum adhibent appetitui, 16 they measure their appetites by the rule of necesfitie; which, would God wee would doo.

[12 I 4, back]
The discommodities of drunkennes

[¹³ leaf 63, back. B.†]

Drunkerds wursse then Beasts.

Spud. Seeing it is fo great an offence before God, I pray you show me some testimonies of the holy Scripture against it; for whatsoeuer is euil, the woord of God, I doubt not, reproueth the same.

Philo. It feemeth you have not read the holy scripture very much, for if you had, you should have found it not only spoke against, but also throwen down even to hel: for proof whereof, of infinit places I

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1—1 thereof E, F.

4 besides E, F.

5 he not in E, F.

6 beeing not able F.

7 euibrate added in B, E; tremble F.

9—9 not in E, F.

10 also added in E, F.

12 vtterly E, F.

14 and not in B.

15 in any B, E, F.

16 appetitui F; appetitum A, with m altered by the pen to i.
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wil recite a few. The Prophet Esaias thundereth out against it, saying, ve qui consurgitis mane ad ebrietatem sectandam: '1Wo be to Keans s. them that ryse earlie to followe drunkennesse, wallowing therein from [r sign. I 5. A.] morning to night, vntill they be fet on fire with wyne & strong drinke. Therfore gapeth hell, & openeth her mouth wyde, that the Testim glory, multitude, and welth of them that delight therin, may go downe into it,' faith the Prophet. The prophet Hoseas saith, fornicatio, God. vinum et mustum auserunt 2 animum. Whordome, wyne, 3& strong Hoseas c. 4. [3 leaf 64. B.*] drinke, infatuat the heart of man.

the word of

The Prophet Ioel biddeth all Drunkards awake,4 faying, 'weepe Ioel 1.5 and howle, you winebibbers, for the wickednesse of destruction that shall fall vppon you.'

The Prophet Habacuck foundeth a most dreadfull alarme not only

to all Drunkards, but also to all that make them drunken, faying, 'wo Habacuck 2. be to him that geueth his Neighbour drinke till he be drunke, that thou mayst see his prinities.' Salomon saith, 'wyne maketh a Man to Prouerb c. 20. be fcornfull, and ftrong drinke maketh a Man vnquiet: who so taketh [Solomon against drunkenness.] pleasure in it, shall not be wife.' In an other place, 'keep not companie

with wynebibbers and riotous Persons, for such as be Drunkards shall

muring? to whome are wounds without cause? and to whome are

go and feek mixt wyne.' And, againe: 'Looke not thou vppon the

gooth downe pleasantlie, for in the end it will bite like a serpent, and hurt like a Cockatrise, or Basilicock, which slay 10 or kill men with the

come to beggerie.' In the xxiij 7 of his Prouerbes he faith: 'To whome is woo? To whome is forow? to whome is strife? to whome is mur- Prouerb 23.

red eyes? Euen to them that 8 tarie longe at the wyne, to them that [8 I 5, back]

wyne when it is red, and when it sheweth his colour in the cup, or [Solomon against drunkenness.]

poison of their fighte.' Again, 'it is not for Kings to drinke wyne, Prouerb 31. nor for Princes to drinke strong drinke.' Our Sauiour Christ, 11 in the B+1 gospell of S. Luke, biddeth vs take heed that we 'be not ouercome Luc. 21.

Paule 13 to the Ephefians, biddeth beware that we 'be not drunk 14 Ephe. 5.15

with furffeting and drunknes and cares of this lyfe, least the day of the

Lorde come vppon vs vnawares.'

leaf 64. Testimonies against Drunkards. B.
 2 E.
 wine F.
 twenty and three I ³ auferent F. ⁵ Joel 2 E. 4 wayle E, F. 7 twenty and three F. any B. 10 slea F. † leaf 64, back. Drunkennesse forbidden. B. 13 S. Paule B, E, F. 14 drunken F. 16 not in E, F.

[St Paul against drunkenness.] with wine, wherin is excesse, but to be filled with the spirit.' The sapostle, in an other place, saith, that 'neither whoremonger, adult Drunkard, glutton, ryotous person, nor such like, shal euer enter the kingdome of Heauen.' By these sew places, out of many, may see the inormitie of this vice, which is so much euery wh frequented.

Spud. Let me intreate you to shew me some examples wit wherby I may see 3 what eaill it hath done in all ages.3

Gene. 19. [7 sign. 1 6. A.]

⁴ Philo. Drunknes⁵ caused Lot to commit ⁶ most shamefull⁶ is with his owne two Daughters, who got them both with Child, ⁷ he perceuing it, neither when they lay downe, nor when they rose See how drunkennesse affotteth a man, depriuing him of all se reason, and vnderstanding.

Examples against drunkennesse. Drunkennesse caused *Noah* to lye with his privities bare in Tabernacle, in suche beastlie sorte as his wicked Sonne *Cham* iested scoffed at the same.

[8 leaf 65. B.†]
[Luc. 16. F.]
Luc. 16.

Thorow drunkennesse, Holophernes, that ⁸ great and inuin Monarche of the Assignant, was our come by a Woman, having head cut from his shoulders with a fauchone. Thorow drunkenn King Herode was brought to suche ydiocie and soolishe dotage, he caused the head of good Ihon Baptiss to be cut of, to satisfia request of a dauncing strumpet. That riche Epulo, of whom ⁹ maketh mention, was for his drunkennesse and ryotous excesse, demned to the fire of Hel for euer; with many moe examples, w for shortnes I omit. Now, seeing than that drunkennesse is bot sensue to God, and bringeth such euills in this lyse present, let v the name of God, auoyde it as a most wicked thing and prenieuils. For euery Drunkard is so farre estranged from himselfe, thone in an extasse of mind, ¹⁰ or rather in a playne Phrensse, he is not be said to be sui animi compos, or ¹¹ a man of sounde wit, but real ¹² very Bedlem, or muche worse, no Christian, but an Antichristian

Luc. 16.

[12 I 6, back] How farre Drunkards are estranged from themselues.

¹ vnlawfulnes F. ²—² not in F.

³—³ the effectes thereof, and what punishment hath been shewed vpo offendors herein in all ages. B, E, F; (but F has therein.)

heading in F:-Punishment of Drunkardes.

⁵ Drunkennesse B, E, F.
† leaf 65. Examples against Drunkennesse. B.

¹⁰ of mind not in F.

⁶—6 not in F.

⁹ Sainct added in B,

¹¹ or not in B, E, F.

member of Christ Iesus, but an impe of Sathan and a lymme of the Deuill. Wherfore, in the name of God, let vs auoyd al excesse, imbrace temperancie and sobrietie, & receive so much 1 meats and drinks 1 as may fatisfie nature, not the infaciat appetits of our fleshly 2 defires; Knowing that, except the Lord bleffe our meats and drinks within our bo³dyes, and giue them power & strength to nourish and feede the fame, and our bodyes their naturall powers, euery member to doo his office and dutie, our meates shall lye in our stomacks, stincking, smelling, and rotting, like filthie carion in a4 lothfom finck.⁵ So farre of ought we to be from abufing the good creaturs of God by ryot, drunknesse, or excesse, that we ought neuer to take morfell of bread, nor fope of drinke, without humble thankes 7 to the Lord for the fame.8 For we neuer read that our Sauiour Christ euer eat or dranke, but he gaue thankes (or, as we call it, faid grace) both before the receipt therof and after. This needed he not to have done in respect of himfelfe, but for our erudition 10 & learning, according to this faying, omnis Christi actio nostrà est instructio: Euery action of our Saujour Christe is our example and inftruction, to follow as neere as 11 we are able. 12 And thus much of drunkenesse, which god graunt may every wher be auoided.12

blesse not our meats. [meat F [³ leaf 65, back.

thanks befor

[13 Or if all that hath been saied hetherto, 14 bee not fufficient to withdrawe vs from this beaftly vice of dronkennesse: yet lette vs sette before our eyes this moste fearfull judgement of God, executed vpon a forte of dronkardes, the storie whereof is this. The eight day of February 1578 in the countrey of Swaben, there were dwellyng eight menne Citezens, and Citezens, fonnes, very riotously and prodigally inclined,15 the names of whom, for the better credite of the storie, 16 I haue sett doune, viz. Adam Giebens, George Kepell, John Keisell, Peter Hersdorse, Jhon Waganaer, Simon Henrickes, Herman 116 leaf 66. B.1] Fron, Jacob Hermans, 18 all whiche would needes goe to the Tauerne, vppon the Sabboth daie in the mornyng verie earely, in contempt of

[A terrible drunkards.1

[A most dreadfull example of Gods judgement shewed vpon certeine abusing the good creatures of God. E, F.]

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1_1 not in B, E, F.
                                                            2 greedy F.
      • leaf 65, back. Examples of thanksgiuyng. B.
                                                               all E, F.
                 6 a added in F. 7 thankes geuing E; thankes giving F.
  5 stinke F.
                                 9 need B, E, F.
                                                          10 example F.
      before added in F.
                                                     -12 not in B, E, F.
      11 are (sic) F.
13 From here to l. 23, p. 114, added in B, E, F.
                                                 14 heretofore F.
       † leaf 66; no head-line B. E, F have The propertie of a good hoste.
                                18 Harmans F.
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112 The propertie of a good hoste. The Anatomie

[This page not in A.]
[The propertie of a good Hoste. E, F.]

[A caucat for cursers and banners. E, F.]

[the Lorde and his Sabboth. And commyng to the house of one Anthonie Hage, an honest, godlie man, who kepte a Tauerne in the fame Toune, called for burnte Wine, Sacke, Malmetie, 2 Hipocras, and what not. The hoste tolde them, that thei should have none of all thefe, before the divine feruice and the fermon tyme were paste, and councelled them to goe heare the facred woorde of God preached. But thei (faue Adam Giebins, who aduised them to heare the Sermon, for feare of Gods wrathe) denied, faiying: That thei lothed that kind of exercise. The good hoste, neither givyng them any Wine hymself, nor fufferyng any other, went to the Sermon, as duetie did binde hym who beyng gone, thei fell to curfyng, bannyng, and fwearyng, wish yng that he might breake his necke, or euer he came againe from the Sermon; and bruftyng forthe into these intemperate speeches, "the Deuill breake our neckes, if wee departe hence this daie, either quicke or dedde, till wee haue had some wine!" Straight waie, the Deuill appered vnto them, in the likenesse of a yong manne, bryngyng in his hande, a Flagon of wine, and demaundyng of them, why their caroufed not, he dranke vnto them, faiying: "Good fellowes, bee merit, for ye shall have wine inough, for you seeme lustie laddes, and I hope you will paie me well," who inconfiderately answered, that thei would paie hym, or els thei would guage their neckes, yea their bodies and foules, rather then to faile. Thus thei continued swillyng, gullyng, and caroufyng fo long, as till one could not fee an other. At the last the deuill their hoste, tolde them, that thei must needes paie the shotte, whereat their hartes waxed cold. But the Deuill comfortyng them, faied: "Bee of good cheare, for now muste you drinke boilyng Lead, Pitche, and Brimstone with me in the pit of helle for euermore": Herevpon immediatly he made their eyes like flames of fire, and in bredth as broad as Saucers. Then beganne thei to call for mercie but it was to late. And ere thei could call againe for mercie and grace, the Deuill preuented them, and 7 brake their neckes a fonder, and threwe moste horrible slames of fire, flashing 8 out of their mouthes. And thus ended these seuen dronkardes, their miserable daies, whose Iudgement I leave to the Lorde. The other Adam Gibiens, who

[The deuilles rewarde to his darlinges the Dronkardes, E, F,]

[The desperate securitie of

Dronkerdes. E.

¹ keep F. 2 Malmsie F.

³ the not in F.
⁵ scarsely in E. F.

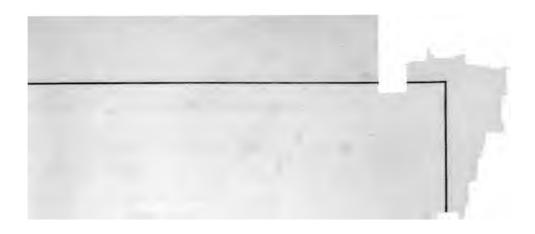
[†] leaf 66, back. No head-line. B.

• Heecupon (sic) F.

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⁷ and not in E, F.

⁶ flashing not in F.



PHILLIP STUBBES'S ANATOMY

OF THE

ABUSES IN ENGLAND

IN

SHAKSPERE'S YOUTH,

A.D. 1583.

[councelled them before, to go to 1 heare the Sermon, hauyng fome [This page not in A.] sparkes of faith in hym, was preserved from death, by the greate [The mercy of mercie of God, and greatly repented his former life, yeldyng praise Adam Gibiens. vnto God for his deliuerance. Thus haue I in sempiternam rei me-² moriam, faithfully recorded the Storie of these eight dronkardes, and [leaf 67. B.] of their fearfull ende, taken out of the³ Dutche coppie printed at Amsterdam, and at Straesburche,4 for a caueate to all Dronkardes, Gluttons, and Riotous persones throughout the whole worlde, that thei offende not the Lorde in the like kinde of offence.

An other like example of Gods Diuine Justice, shewed vpon twoo blasphemous Dronkardes in Almaine, in the Toune of Nekershofewe, chaunced the fourth daie of July 1580, the truth whereof is as followeth. These twoo Dronken verlettes, traineilyng by the waie, came into an Inne, and called for bread and wine: The Hofte with speede brought them verie good; but thei dislikyng the Wine, for the newnesse thereof, commaunded better Wine to bee brought; so in fine thei had bothe newe, and old, good store. Thus fatte thei swillyng, and caroufyng one to an other, till thei were bothe as dronke as Rattes.5 Then one of them powryng forthe wine, caroufed to his fellowe, the other pledgyng hym, asked to whom he should drinke: quothe this verlet "drinke to GOD": he hearyng that, poured forthe wyne God. E, F.] also. and dranke to God. This dooen, he asked his companion of whiche wine God should pledge hym, of the newe, or of the old. He answered "of whether thou wilte." Then he, takyng the newe wine in his hande, filled the Cuppe therewith, and reaching forthe his arme, as high as he ⁷ could, as though God should have pledged hym in deede, faied these wordes: "God, I would faine knowe, what wine thou louest beste: this newe wine is good inough, and too good for thee; if thou haddest 8 fent better, thou shouldest have had better; but suche as it is, take it, pledge me quickly, and carouse it of euery sope, as I haue doen to thee, if not, thou doest me wrong." Hauyng thus stretched forthe his arme with the Cup of wine, and withall hauyng vttered forthe these wordes, the Lorde proceadeth in Judgemente againste

[An example of Godes wrathe and seuere iustice executed vpon 2 Drounk-Almaine. E, F.]

[7 leaf 67, back, B.+]

Beholde the this deuill, and feare, E, F.]

SHARSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES.

¹ to not in F.

e leaf 67. No head-line. B. E, F have An example of God's wrath. 3 a in E, F. 4 Straesburcht F. 5 Swine F.

also not in E, F. + leaf 67, back. No head-line. B. ⁸ hadst F.

[This page, to I 23, not in A.] [The Lord strikes the blasphemous drunkard.]

[hym: causyng his arme to stande stedfast and vnmoueable, so as he was not able to pull it to hym, nor to stere his bodie out of the place. And in this agonie he remained, his countenannee not changed, but roulyng his eyes to and fro, fearfull to beholde. And as for breathe, there was none perceived to come forthe of hym. nor yet to speake one worde he was 2 able: and yet for all that, seemed to every one to be a liue. After this the people affaied to remove hym from that place, but s could not by any strength. In the ende thei tyed Horses to hym, to drawe hym thence, but thei could not once stere hym. Then thei affaied to burne the house, and hym withall, but no fire would once take holde of the house: wherefore, when thei sawe all their waies and deuises to be frustrate, perswadyng themselves, that God had made hym a spectacle to all dronkards, thei surceased 4their attemptes,4 and wished the wil of the Lorde to bee doen. And in this place, and in the fame pitifull case you have heard, ftandeth this blasphemous villain to this daie, vnremoueable till it please the Lorde, in the bowels of his mercie, to release hym. Whose bleffyd will bee fulfilled for euer. The other Dronken beaft his companion, thei hanged vppon a Gibbette, before the dore of the same house, as he well deserved! Thus hath the Lorde in all ages, and at all tymes, punished this horrible vice of Dronkennesse, which God graunte euery true Christian maie auoide, for feare of Gods vengeance. Added in B, E, F.]

Oh fearefull indgement of God, yet most iust punishmente, E, F.1

[5 leaf 68. B.†]

[7 sign. I 7. A.]

⁷ Spud. ⁸ Shew mee I pray, ⁹ the state of that Cuntrey a litle further: is it a welthic Countrey with-in it-selfe, or otherwyse poore and bare?

[England,] Ailgna a famous Yland. 10 Philo. It is a most famous Yland, a ¹¹ fertile Cuntrey, & ¹² abounding with all maner of store, both ¹³ of riches, treasure, & ¹⁴ all things els whatsoeuer; but as ¹⁵ it is a ¹⁵ welthie and riche Countrey, ¹⁶ so are the inhabitaunts, from the highest to the lowest, from the priest to the populare ¹⁷ sorte, euen all in generall, wonderfully inclyned to couet-

¹ a long time after B, E, F. 2 was not F. 3 but they F.
4—6 their enterprises any further F. † leaf 68. No head-line. B.
6 man added in E. F.

In B, E, and F this begins a fresh chapter, headed:—Couetousnesse in Ailgna.

pray you B, E, F.

This side-note not in B, E, F.

This side-note not in B, E, F.

A so of F.

Countrey not in E, F.

The countrey is E, F.

To countrey not in E, F.

Immoderate care for riches reproued.

[3 sign. I 8. A.]

Land-Lords racke their tenantes. [8 leaf 69, back B.+]

Inclosing of commons from the Poore.

[12 I 8, back]

[Take heed you Rich, who poll and pill the Poor!]

giueth liberally to euery one that asketh of him in verity & truth, & reprocheth no man; & withall he is to vse such ordinarie meanes as God hath appointed to the performance of the same. But so farre from couetousnes, & from immoderate care, wold the Lord haue vs.2 that we ought not this day to 'care for to morow, for (saith he) sufficient to the day is the trauail of the same. After all these sthings (with a distrustfull & inordinat care) do the heathen seek, who know not God,' faith our Sauiour christ; 'but be you not like to them.' And yet I say, as we are not to distrust the prouidence of God, or despaire for any thing, fo are we not to presume, nor yet to tempt the Lord our God, but to vse such 4 secundary 5 and instrumental 4 meanes as he hath commaunded and appointed, to that end & purpose to get our owne lyuing & maintenance withall. But this people, leauing these Godly meanes, do all runne headlong to couetouines & ambition, attempting all waies, & affaying al meanes, possible to exaggerat & heap vp riches, 6 that 7 thick clay of damnation, to themselues for ever.6 So (likwise) Land⁸lords make marchandise of their pore tenants, racking their rents, raifing their fines & incommes, & fetting them so straitely vppon the tenter hookes, as no man can lyue on them. Befides that, as though this pillage & pollage were not rapacious enough, they take in and inclose commons, moores, heaths, and other common pastures. wher-out the poore commonaltie were wont to have all their forrage and feeding for their cattell, & (which is more) corne for them felnes to lyue vppon: all which are now in most places taken from them by these greedye Puttockes, to the great impouerishing and vtter beggering of 11 whole townes and parishes, whose tragicall cries and inceffant 12 clamors have long fince pearced the Skyes, and prefented them-felues before the Maiesty of God, saying, 13 how long, Lord, how long wilt thou deferre to reuenge this villanie of 14 thy poore Saincts and vnworthie 16 members uppon the earth? Take heed, therfore, you riche men, that poll and pill the poore, for the bloud of as manye as miscarie any maner of way thorow your iniurious exactions, finister 16 oppres-

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1—1 for the getting F.

5 causes added in E.

4 leaf 69, back. Inclosures in Ailgna.

5 straight B, E, F.

10 prouision F.

11 of many B, E, F.

12 criyng B, E, F.

13 criyng B, E, F.

14 doen to B, E, F.

15 seelie E; silly F.
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16 biting F.

fions, and indirect dealings, shall be 1 powred vppon your heads 1 at the great daye of the Lord. Curfed is he (faith our Sauiour Christ) that offendeth one of these litle ones: it were better that a milstone were hanged about his neck, & he cast into the middest of the sea. Christ ² fo entierely loueth his poore members vppon earth, that he imputeth the contumely which is done to anie one of them, to be done to himfelfe, and will reuenge it as done to himfelfe. wherfor God give them grace to lay open their inclosures againe, to let fall their rents, fines, incommes, and other impositions, wherby God is offended, their8 poore Brethren beggered, &, I feare mee, the whole realme will be brought to vtter ruine & decay, if this mischiese be not met withall, and incountred with verie shortlie. For these inclosures be the causes why rich men eat vp poore men, as beafts doo eat graffe: Thefe, I fay, are the 4 Caterpillers and deuouring locustes that massacre the 5 poore, [5 sign. K r. A.] & eat vp the whole realme to the destruction of the same: The Lord remooue6 them !

[2 leaf 70. B. 6]

Vpon the other fide, the Lawyers, they 7goe rufling 7 in their filks, veluets, and chaines of Gold: they build gorgeous howfes, 8 fumptuous edefices,8 and stately turrets: they keep a port like mightie potentates; they have 9 bands and retinewes of men attendant vppon them daylie; they purchase castels & towers, Lands and Lordships, and what not? And all vppon the polling and pilling of the poore commons.

Lawyers rufling † in [io A.] poore Mens

They have so good consciences that all is fish that comes to the net; thei refuse nothing that is offred; and what they do for it in preferring their Poore clients cause,10 the Lorde kno11weth, and one day they shall finde it. If you have argent, or rather rubrum vnguentum, Oyntment to I dare not fay Gold, but red oyntment to greafe them in the fift withall, than your fute shall want no furtherance; but if this 12 be wanting, than farewel clyent; he may go shooe the goose for any good successe he is like to have of his matter: without this, sheriffes & Officers wil returne writs with a tarde venit, or with a non est inventus, smally to the poore mans profit. 18 So long as any of this ointment is dropping,

[II leaf 70, back.
B.1]

1-1 required at your hands F. • leaf 70. Inclosures vndoe the Poore, B. E also has Lawyers ruffling in. 3 the B, E, F. 4 the not in F. 6 amende B. E. F. -7 ruffle it out B, E, F. 9 there bandes E; (their F.) 8_8 not in F. 10 causes B, E, F. ‡ leaf 70, back. Powlyng Lawyers, in Ailgna. B. 13 this liquor B, E, F. 13 But so B, E, F.

118 What maketh things deere. The Anatomie

(2 K 1, back)
The pretessed excuse of
Lawers when their cliants haue loost their pleas.

The slaightie practises of lawers.

[7 leaf 7z. B.†]

The frauduleut dealing of marchant Men.

Artificers

[14 sign. K s. A.]

Great dearth in plenty of all things.

they wil beare him in hand his matter is good and just; & all to keep him in vre, till all be gon; and than will they tell him his matter is naught: and if one aske them 1 why they tould not their clients so in the beginning? they will answere, I knew not so much at the first. the fault is in himselfe; he tould me the best, but not the worst; he shewed mee not this enidence & that enidence, this prefident & that prefident,2 turning al the fault vpon the fuggester; whereas the whole fault indeed is in himselfe, as his own conscience can beare him witnesse. In presence of their clients they will be so earnest one with another, as one (that knew not their flaightes wold thinke they would go together by the eares⁸); this is 4 to draw on their clients withal; but immediatly after, their clients being 5 gon, they laugh in their seenes to see how pretily they 6 fetch in fuch fom mes of money; and that, under the pretence of equitie and iustice. But though thei can for a time (prefligiatorum inflar8), like cunning deceivers, cast a mist before the blind world, yet the Lord, who feeth (9 fuborned by none 9) the fecrets of all harts, shall make them manifest to al the world, and reward them according to their doings. The 10 marchant men, by their marting, chaffering and changing, by their counterfait balances & vntrue waights, and by their furprifing of their wares, heap vp infinit treafures. 11 The Artificer 11 & Occupyers, even all in generall, will not fell their wares for no 12 reasonable price, but will 18 sweare & teare pittifully, that such a thing cost them so much, & such a thing so much, wher the they swear as false as the lyuing Lord is true. But one day let them be fure that the Lord (who faith 'thou shalt not sweare at all, nor deceive thy Brother in bargaining') will revenge this villanie done to his Maiestie.

¹⁵ Into fuch a ¹⁵ ruinous eftat hath couetousnes now brought that Land, that in plentie of all things there is great ¹⁶ scarsitie and dearth of all thinges. So that that which might have been bought heretofor, within this twentie or fourtie Yeers, for twentie shillings, is now

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this Writing and that Writing added in F.
instead of a shoying horne added in E, F.
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they can E, F.
more for instar B, E, F.
Vpon the other side, for the F.

a earers (sic) F.
bee B, E, F.
bee B, E, F.

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^{. 12} any F. 13 will not in E, F. 16_16 Yea, into such F. 16 great not in F.

worth twentie nobles, or xx pound. That which than was worth twentie pound is now 2 worth a C. pound, and more: Wherby the rich Men haue so balaunced their chests with Gold and siluer, as they cracke againe. And to such excesse is this couetousnes growne, as every one that hath money will not flick to take his neighbors house ouer his head, long before his yeers be expired: Wherthorow 8 many a poore man, with his wyfe, children, & whole famelie, are forced to Mens heads begge their bread all 4their dayes 4 after. Another forte, who flow in welth, if a poore man haue eyther house or Land, they will neuer rest vntill they have purchased it, giving him not the thirde parte of that it is worth. Besides all this, so desperately given are many, that for The desperat the acquiring 5 of filuer and Gold, they will not s[t]icke to imbrew to get money. their hands, and both 6 their armes, in the blood of their 7 owne Parents [7 K s, back] and Freends most vnnaturally. Other some will not make any conscience to sweare and forsweare themselues 8 for euer, 8 to lye, dissemble, and deceive the deerest frends they have in the world. Therfore the heathen Poet, Virgill, said very well, O sacra auri fames, quid non mortalia pectora cogis: Oh cursed desire of gold, what mischief is it but thou forcest Man to attempt it for the love of thee! This immoderat thirst of Gold & monie bringeth an infinit number to shamefull end; Many brought to rufull end to rufull end ⁹ fome as homicides ⁹ for murthering and ¹⁰ killing; fome ¹¹ as latrones, ¹¹ for robbing & 12 stealing: some for one thing, some for another; 15 So meanes of Gold and silver. that furely I think 14 major est numerus Hominum,14 quos dira auaritiæ pestis alsorpsit, quam quos gladius vel ensis perforauit: 15 the number of those 15 whom the pestilence of auarice hath swallowed vp, 16 is greatter 16 than the number of those whom the sword hath destroid. The Lord affwage the heat 17 hereof with the oyle of his grace, 18 if it be his good pleasure and wil!

Spud. If I might be so bold, I wold request you to shew me, out of the word of god, where this so detestable a vice is reproued.

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1 pounds F.
                       * leaf 71, back. Greedie couetousnesse in Ailgna. B.
3 Whereby E; Wherby F.
                                   4-4 the dayes of their liues F.
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       6 bathe B, E, F.
                                                                8- not in F.
  9-9 as we see dayly, some are hanged F.
                                                     10 some for instead of and F.
         11_11 not in F.
                                               12 some for instead of & F.
                 † leaf 72. Testimonies against Couetousnes. B.
        14-14 the number of men is greater B, E, F; F has to be for is.
    <sup>15</sup>_<sup>15</sup> not in B, E, F. <sup>16</sup>_<sup>16</sup> not in B, E, F.
                                                             17 raging heate F.
                           18 gracious mercy for grace F.
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ath. 6, estimonies it of the ord of God rainst coueusnes. sign. K 3. A.] Philo. Our Sauiour Christ Iesus, the ¹Arch-doctor ¹ of all truth, in his Euangely, the fixt of *Mathew*, saith, 'Be not carefull for to morow day, for the morow shall care for it selfe.'

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leaf 72, back.

Timo. vi.

salm 39. rouerb z. roue. xxvii.

K 3, back]

lat. 5. uc. 6.

Againe, 'be not carfull for Apparell, what 2you shall put on, nor for meat what you shall eat, but seeke you the Kingdome of Heauen, & the righteousness therof, and all these things shal be given vnto you.' He charged his Disciples to be so farre from couetousnes, as not to cary two coates with them in their iorneys, nor yet any money in their purles. He tould his Disciples another time, stryuing which of them should be the greattest, that he who wold be the greattest, must condescend to be servant of all. When the people wold have advaunced him to have beene King, he refused it, and hid him self. He telleth vs, we 'cannot ferue two Maisters, God & Mammon': he biddeth vs 'not to fet our minds vppon couetousnes'; inferring that 'wher our riches be⁶, there will our harts be also. He saith, 'it is harder for a rich Man (that is, for a Man whose trust is in riches,) to enter into the Kingdome of God, than for a Camell to go thorow the eye of a ncedle.' The Apostle biddeth vs, 'if we have meat &8 drinke and clothing, to be content, for they that will be rich (faith he) fall into diverse temptations and snares of the Deuill, which drowne Men in perdition.' Dauid faith, 'Man disquieteth him selfe in vaine heaping vp riches, & cannot tell who shall possesse them.' Salom[on] compareth a couetous man to him that murthereth & sheadeth innocent bloud. Againe, 'Hell and destruction are neuer ful, so the eyes of Men can neuer be fatisfied.' The Apostle S. Paule saith, 'neither Whormongers, Adulterers, nor couetous persons, nor Extortioners shal euer enter into the Kingdom of Heauen.' And faith further, that 'the loue of monie is the root of al euil.' Christ biddeth vs 'be 10 liberal & lend to them that have need, not looking for any restitution again; & neuer to turn our face away from any poore man, & than the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from vs.' By these few places it is manifest how farre from al couetousues the lord wold have al christians 11 to be.

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1—1 teacher F.
4 humble F.
5 is B, F.
5 is B, F.
6 is B, F.
7 in his F.
7 in his F.
8 & not in F.
10 to be F.
11 his children F.
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Spud. Be their any examples in 1 scriptures 2 to 8 shew foorth the punishmentes of the same, in flicted upon the Offenders therin?2

[4 leaf 73. B.*]

Philo. The Scripture is full of fuch fearful examples of the iust iudgements of God powred⁵ vpon them that have offended herein; Wherof I will recite three or four, for the satisfying of your Godly 6 mind. Adam was cast out of Paradice for coueting that fruit which was inhibited him to eat. Giefe, the Servant of Elizeus the Prophet, 4 Reg. 5. was fmitten with an incurable leprofie, for that he, to satisfie his couetous defire, exacted gold, filuer, & 8 riche garments, of Naaman, the K. of Siria his feruant. Balaam was reproued of his affe for his Num. 22. couetousnes in going to curse the Children of Israel at the request of Bible examples K. Balac, who promifed him aboundance of gold & filuer fo to doo. for covetousness.) Achab, the K., for couetousnes to have pore Naboth his viniard, slew him, and dyed after himselfe, with all his progeny, a shameful death. [9 sign. K 4. A.] The Sonnes of Samuel were, for their infaciable couetousnes, deteined 10 Sa. viii. from euer inioying their Fathers kingdome. Iudas, for couetousness of mony, fould the Sauiour of the world, and betrayed him to the Iewes, but afterward dyed a miserable death, his bellye bursting, & his bowels gushing out. Ananias and Saphira his wife, for couetous- Act. v. nes in concealing part of the price of their 11 lands from the apostles, [11 leaf 73, back were both flain, & died a fearful death. Achan was stoned to death, by the lord his commandement, for his couetousnes in stealing 12 gold, filuer, & Iewels at the facking of Iericho, & al his goods were burned presently. Thus you see how for couetousnes of mony, in all ages, Men haue made shipwrack of their consciences, and in the end, by the [God's judg-

The punishtousnes shew-

iust iudgement of God, haue dyed fearful deaths; whose iudgments I ous men.]

Spud. Seeing that couetousnes is so wicked a fin, & so offensive both to God & Man, & pernicious to the foule, I marueile what moueth Men to followe the same 18 as they doo.

Ph. Two things 14 moue men to affect mony fo 15 much as they

1 in the holie E, F. (holy F.)

- 2-2 of the Iustice of God, inflicted vpon them that have offended herein F.
 - leaf 73. Plagues for Couetousnesse. B. 3 that E.
 - 5 executed F.

Godly not in F.

7 Gehesie F.

leaue to the Lord.

- 8 and other F.
- 10 restrained F.
- † leaf 73, back. Vaine titles of [maister and E] worship in Ailgna. B. 12 for F. 13 so much added in F.
- in my iudgement, added in B, E, F; (F adds doe.) 15 so so A.

[" leaf 74 B.+]

[Titivillers, that is, flattering fellows. E, F.]

Refusing of vaine Titles. [not in E, F.]

do: the one, for 1 feare leaft they shold ful into pouertie & beggery, (oh, ridiculous infidelitie!) the other, to be advanced & promoted to high dignities & honors ypon earth. And thei see the world is such, that he who hath moni enough shalbe rabbied & maistered at every word, and withal faluted with the vaine title of worshipfull, and right worshipfull,' 7 though notwithstanding he be a daughill Gentleman, or a Gentleman of the first head, as they vie to terme them. And to fuch outrage⁶ is it growne, that now adayes enery Butcher, Shooemaker, Tailer, Cobler, Hufband-man, 10 and other 10; yes, every Tinker, pedler, 11 and swinherd, enery Artificer and other, gregarii ordinis, of the vileft forte of Men that be, must be called by the vain name of 'Maisters' at enery word. But it is certen that no wyse Man will intitle them with any of these names, 'worshipfull' and 'maister,' (for they are names and titles of dignitie, proper to the Godly wyle, for some speciall vertue inherent 12, either els 18 in respect of 18 their birth, or calling, due vnto them) but such Titiuillers, flattering Parasits, and glosing Gnates as flatter them, expecting some pleasure or benefit at their hance; which thing, if they were not blowen vp with the bellowes of pride, and puffed vp with the wind of vainglori, they might eafily perceive. For certen it is they do but mocke and flatter 14 them with these titles, knowing that 16 they deserve nothing 16 lesse. 17 Wherfore, like good 18 Recufants 19 of that thing which is euill 19,17 they should refuse those vainglorious Names, remembring the words of our fauiour Christ, faying, 50 'be not called Maister,' in token there is but one onely true [Maister and Lord in Heauen; 21 which only true Maister & Lord, God graunt all other may followe, bothe in life and name, until they come to 22 perfect men in Iesus Christ.

Spud. The people beeing so set vpon couetousnes, as I gather by your speeches they be, is it possible that they wil lend money without

² distrustfull B. E. F.

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1 a for for F.
other for desire B, E, F; (F has a for for)
                                                   4 by for with E, F.
                                                 -7 not in B, E, F.
  Gentleman and added in F.
                                              obler and B, E, F.
  extreme madnesse B, E, F.
                        10_10 not in B, E, F.
                                           13 in them added in F.
     † leaf 74. Vsurie in Ailgna. B.
  13_13 for B, E, F.
                           14 floute E, F.
                                               15 that not in E. F.
16 no F.
                 17_17 And therefore as wise men and fearing God F.
                    19_19 not in B, E, F.
16 wyse E.
                                                   20 saying not in F.
                           22 to be E. F.
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vsurie, or without some hostage, guage, or pawn? 1 for vsurie followeth couetous2nes, as the shadowe dooth the bodie.

Great Vsurie in Ailgna.

It is as impossible for any to borrowe money there 3 (for the most vsury, part), without vsurie 4 & loane, or with-out some good hostage, guage,5 or pledge, as it is for a dead man to speak with audible voice.

Spud. I have heard fay that the positive and statute lawes there The possitive doo permit them to take vsurye, limitting them how much to take for every pound.

Philo. Although the civile 8 lawes (for the avoiding of further inconueniences) doo permit certain fommes of money to be giuen 9 ouerplus, beyond or 10 aboout the principall, for the loane of mony lent, yet are the viurers no more 11 discharged from the gilt of viurie before God [12 K 5, back] therby, then the adulterous Iewes were from whordome, because Moyses gaue them a permittue law, for every sum.

wives 18 that would, for 14 every light trifle. 14 And yet the 15 lawes there
Aligna permit no vsurie. but feeing how much 16 it rageth, no vsurie. gaue them a permissive law, for every man 12 to put away 18 their left it should exceed, rage further, and ouer-flowe the banks of all reason and godlynes,—As couetousnes is a raging sea and a bottomlesse pit, and 17 neuer fati [f] fied nor contented,—they have limited them 18 with 19 in certain meeres and banks 20 (to bridle the infatiable defires of [19 leaf 75. B.†] couetous men), beyond the which it is not lawful for any to go. but this permission of the lawes argueth not that it is lawful to take vsury no more (I fay) then the permission of Mouses argued that whordome & adulterie is 21 lawfull & good, because Mouses permitted them to put away their wives for the avoiding of greater euil 22: for, as christ faid to the Iewes, 'from the beginning it was not so,' so say I to these

1 I thinke not, added in B, E, F. 3 in England F. • leaf 74, back. Lawes allowe no Vsurie. B. 4 interest added in E, F. ⁶ appointing F. 5 pawne added in F. ⁸ Statute F. 7 they shall E, F. 9 & taken added in F. 12 one F. 13-13 his wife E, F. 10 and E, F. ¹⁴—¹⁴ any light offence E, F. ¹⁵ positive lawes E, F. 17 and not in E, F. 18 it E, F. + leaf 75. Vsurie vnlawfull. B. 20 boundes F. 21 was then E, F. ²² euils F. 23_23 to be so F.

vsurers, from the beginning it was not so, nor yet ought 23 so to be.23

Spail. If no interest were permitted, then 1 no man would lend, & then how should the poor doo? wherfore the lawes, that permit some small over-plus therin, doo very wel.²

Phile. ³ Non facientum of malum, we indeveniat beaum: we must not doo eail, that good may come of it. yet the lawes, in permitting

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The lawar permit some energies, but command it [not].6

[* leaf 75, back

⁴certain reasonable gain to be received for the loane of money lent, left otherwise the poore should quaile (for without some commoditie the rich would not lend,) have not doone much amisse; but if they had quite cut it of, and not yeelded at all to any such permission, they had doon better. But heerin the intent of the lawe is to be perpended, which was to impale within the Forrest, or park, of reasonable and conscionable gain, men who cared not how much they could extorte out of poore-mens hands for the loane of their money lent, and not to authorise any man to commit vsurie, as though it were lawful because it is permitted.

Therfore those that say that the lawes there doo allow of vsury, & licence men to commit it freely, doo sannder the lawes, & are woorthy of reprehension; for though the lawes say, 'thou shalt not take aboout ij.s. in the pound, x.li. in a hundred,' and so so foorth, Dooth this proone that it is lawful to take so much, or rather that thou shalt not take more then that? If I 11 say to a man, 11 thou shalt not give him aboout one or two blowes,' 13 dooth this proone that I licence him to give him one or two blowes, or rather that he shal not give him any at al, or if he doo, 13 he shal not exceed or passe the bands 14 of resonable mesure? So this law dooth but mitigate the penalty, for it saith that the party that taketh but 15 x.li, for the vse of an C.li, loseth but the x.li, not his principal.

outrage in mischeef § is not ? permission to comit mischeef.
[§ mircheef A. ; no F.]

[16 K 6, back]

¹⁶ Spud. Then I perceive, if Vsurie be not lawful by the lawes of the Realm, then is it not lawful by the lawes of God.

1 then not in E, F.

in my opinion added in E, F; (F has mine for my)

The Apostle teacheth vs added in B; The Apostle sayth, E, F.

wtterly be distressed F. not added in B, E, F. considered F.

† leaf 75, back. Vsurie vnlawfull by Gods lawe. B.

9_9 &c. F. 10 so for so so B, E.

11_11 see a man will needes fight with another, a (sic) I having authority ouer him, say vnto him F.

13 at the most added in F.

14 bounds F.

that added in E, F.

15 aboue B, E, F.

Philo. You may be fure of that; For our Sauiour Christe willeth Math. 5, 6. vs to be fo far from couetousnes and vsury, as he faith, "giue to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow turn not thy face Againe,1 "Lend of thy goods to them who are not able to pay thee again, and thy reward shalbe great in heauen." If wee must lend our goods, then, to them who are not able to pay vs again, no, not fo much as the bare thing lent, where is the interest, the vsurie, the gaine, and ouer-plus which we fish for so much? Therfore our Sauiour Christe saith, beatius est dare, potius quam accipere: It is more blessed to give, then to receive. In the 22. of Exodus, Deut. 24, 23, Leuit. 25, Nehe. 5, Eze. 22, 18, & many other places, we are Leuit. 25. forbidden to vie any kinde of viury, or interest, or to receive again Ezech. 22, 18.4 any ouer-pluss besides the principall, either in money, corne, wine, oyle, beafts, cattel, meat, drink, cloth, or any thing els what foeuer. Dauid asketh a question of the Lord, saying, Lord, who shall dwell in thy Tabernacle, and b who shall rest in thy holy hil? wherto he giueth the folution him felf,8 faying, 'euen he that leadeth an incorrupt life, & hath not given his mony vnto vsurie, onor taken reward against the p sign. K 7. A.] innocent: who so dooth these things shall neuer fall.' In the 15 of Deut. the Lord willeth vs not to craue again the thing we have lent to our neighbor, for it is the Lords free yeer. If it be not lawful (then) to aske again that which is lent (for it is not the law of good again our conscience for thee to exact it, if thou be abler to beare 10 it then the other 11 to pay it,) much leffe is it lawful 12 to demaund any vfury or ouer-plus. And for this cause the Lord saith, 'let there be no begger amongst you, nor poore person 13 amongst the Tribes of Israel.' Thus, you fee, the woord of God abandonneth vsurie euen to hel; and all writers, bothe divine and prophane, yea, the very heathen people, moued onely by the inftinct of nature and rules of reason, have alwaies abhord it. Therfore Cato, beeing demaunded what vsurie was. asked againe, 'what it was to kill a man?' making vsurie equiualent with murther: And good reason, for he that killeth a 14 man, riddeth interest. [interest A.]

[* leaf 76. B.*]

When it is not

[13 leaf 76, back.

¹ And againe F. leaf 76. The word of God against Vsurie. B. 4_4 not in F. 3 potius not in F. 5 or B, E, F.

or rather the holy Ghost in him added in F. 7 Psalm 25 in A; 16 in F. him-self not in F. 10 forbear F. 11 other is E, F. 12 for thee added in F.

[†] leaf 76, back. Vsurie equall with Murther. B.

¹⁴ a a (sic) A.

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vsury equall with murther

[4 K 7, back]

Sute coa against his able to pay aswel the Vsury as the Principall. [8 leaf 77. B.†]

To prison with not pay the

No mercy in poor-men for

No crueltie to be shewed, but mercy and compasion ought to be extended.

him out of his paines at once; but he that taketh vfury, is long in butchering his pacient, suffering 1 him by little & little to languish, and fucking out his hart blood, neuer leaueth him so long as he feeleth any "vitall blood (that is lucre and gaine) comming foorth of him. The Vfurer killeth not one but many, bothe Husband, Wife, Children, seruants, famelie, and all, not sparing any. And if the poore man have not wherewith to pay, as wel the interest as the principall, when foeuer this greedy cormorant dooth demaund it, then fute shalbe commenced against him; out go butter-flies and writs, as thick as haile; so the poore man is apprehended and brought corase nobis, and beeing once convented, indgement condemnatorie and diffinitive sentence proceedeth against him, compelling him to pay, aswel the viury & the loane of the money, as the money lent. But if he have not to satisfie aswel the one as th' other, then to Bocardo goeth he as round as a ball, where he shalbe fure to lye vntil he rotte, one peece from an other, without satisfaction bee made. Oh, cursed Caitiue! no man, but a deuil; no Christian, but a cruel Tarturian and mercilesse Turck / darest thou look vp toward heaven, or canst thou hope to be faued by the death of Christe, that sufferest thine owne flesh and blood, thine owne bretheren & fisters in the Lord, and, which is more, the flesh and blood of Christ Iesus, vessels of faluation, coheirs with him of his superiall kingdom, adoptive sonnes of his grace, & finally faints in heaven, to lye and rot in prison for want of payment of a little droffe, which at the day of dome shall beare witnesse against thee, gnaw thy slesh like a canker, and condemn thee [10 sign. K 8. A.] for euer? The very stones of the prison 10 walles shall rise vp against thee, and condemne thee for thy crueltie. Is this loue? Is this charitie? is this to doo to others as thou wouldest wish others to 11 doe to thee? or rather, as thou wouldest wish the Lord to doe vnto thee? Art thou a good member of the bodie, which not onely cutteft of thy selfe from the vine, as a rotten braunch and void lop, but also hewest off other members from the same true vine, Christe Iesus? No, no;

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1 causing F.
                                                    2 vitall F.
    3-3 life in him or any more gaines comming from F.
                         5 is B, E, F.
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⁶⁻⁶ then presently E, F. + leaf 77. Imprisonyng for debt cruell. B.

⁷ the not in F. supernall B, E, F.

¹¹ to not in F.

thou art a member of the Deuil, a limme of Sathan, and a Childe of perdition.

Wee ought not to handle our bretheren in fuch forte for any worldly matter whatfoeuer. Wee 2 ought to shew mercie and not crueltie to our bretheren, to remit trespasses and offences, rather then to exact punishment; referring all reuenge to him who saith, Mihi vindictam, et ego retribuam: Vengeance is mine, and I wil rewarde (saith the Lord).

Beleeue mee, it greeueth mee to heare (walking⁸ in the streats) the pitiful cryes, and miserable complaints of poore prisoners in durance The petieful for debt, and like so to continue all their life, destitute of libertie, meat, drink (though of the meanest forte), and clothing to their backs, lying in filthie strawe, and 4 lothsome dung,4 wursse then anie Dogge, voide of all charitable consolation and brotherly comfort 5 in [5 K 8, back] this World, wishing and thyrsting after death to set them at libertie, and loofe them from their shackles, gives, and yron bands.

Notwithstanding, some 6 mercilesse tygers are growen to such bar- A tygerlicke

barous crueltie that they blush not to say, "tush! he shall either paye saying. mee the whole, or els⁷ lye there till his heels rot from his buttocks; and before I will release him, I will make dice of his bones." But Math. xviii. take heed, thou Deuill (for I dare not call thee a Man⁸), left the Lord fay to thee, as he faid 9 to that wicked Seruant (who having great sømmes forgiuen him, wold not forgiue his Brother his small debte but, catching him by the throte, faid, 'pay that thou owest'), bing him hands and feet, and cast him into vtter Darknes, wher shall 10 be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

[to leaf 78. B.+]

An Viurer is worse than a Thief, for the one stealeth but for need, An Vsurer the other for coueitousnes and excesse 11: the one stealeth but in the Thies [not in E.] night commonly; the other daylie and hourely, night and daye, at all times indifferently.\

An Viurer is worse than a Iew, for they, to this daye, will not take anye vsurie of their Brethren, according to the lawe of Gon.

They are worse than Iudas, for he betraied Christ but once, made

- 1 brethen (sic) F. 3 as I walk F.
- 6 these B, E, F.
- 9 did F.
- leaf 77, back. The tyranny of Vsurers. B. -4 stinking litter F.
- 7 he shal added in F. ⁸ Christian B, E, F. + leaf 78. Vsurers worse then the Deuill. B.
 - 11 lucre F.

An Vaurer An Vsurer worser & than Iudas. [§ worse 128 Scriueners, Instruments of viurie. The Anatomie

the contract to the

reflitution, and repented ¹ for it ¹ (though his repentance fprang not of faith, but of despaire), but these Vsurers betray Christ in his members daylie and hourly, ² without any remorse or restitution at all.

Vourers wurses then Hel.

An Vourer wursee then Death,

An vaurer wurse then the Deuil

The sayings of Godly Fathers and Writers against vaury. [4 leaf y6, back B.†]

V surers punished 6 with sundry tortures.6

Scriuiners the Diuels agents to set forward Vscrie.

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They are wurste then hel it self, for it punisheth but only the wicked and reprobate, but the Vinrer maketh no difference of any, but punitheth all alike. They are crueller then death, for it defiroyeth but the body and goeth no further, but the viurer destroyeth both body & soule for euer. And, to be breef, the Vsurer is wurste then the Deuil himself, for the Deuill plagueth but onely those that are in his hands, or els those whome God permitteth him; the Vsurer plagueth not onely those that are within his iurisdiction alredy, but euen all other, without permission? of any. Therfore, saith Ambrese, if any man commit viurie, it is extortion, rauin, & pillage, and he ought to dye. Alphonfus called viury nothing els then a life of death. Lycurgus banished all kind of vsury out of his lands. Cate did the same. Agestiaus, Generall of the Lacedemoniaus, burned the Viures bookes in the open market places. Claudius Vaspatiannus, and after him Alexander Seuerus made sharpe lawes against vsury, and vtterly extirped the same. Aristotle, Plato, Pythagoras, and generally, all writers, bothe holy and prophane, haue sharply inueighed against this deuouring canker of viury; & yet cannot we, that fain would be called christians, avoid it. And if it be true that I heare 7 say, there be no men so great doers in this noble facultie and famous science the Scriueners be: For it is fayd (and I feare me too true) that there are some to whome is committed 8a hundred or two of poundes,8 of9 some more, of ome lesse, they puttinge in good sureties to the owners for the repayment 10 of the same againe, with certaine allowance for the loane thereof; then come there poore men to them, 11 defiring them 11 to lende them suche a som of money, and they wil recompence them at their owne defires, who making refufall at the firste, as though they had it not (to acuate 12 the minds of the poore petitioners withall 13), at last they lend them how much they defire,

1_1 not in E, F.

+ leaf 78, back. Scriueners instruments of Vsurie. B.

6 out of their dominions added in F.

6 on hundred poundes or two F.

10 payment F.

12 whette F.

3 compassion B, E, F.

6 on sundry wayes F.

6 to in B, E, F.

11_11 with request F.

12 you must vnderstande added in B, E, F.

of Abuses.

Great swearyng in Ailgna.

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receiving of the poore men what interest &1 assurance they lust 2 themselues, and 3 binding them, their lands, 4 Goodes, and all, with (4 leaf 79 B.9) forfaiture thereof if they fayle of payment: where note, by the way, the Scriuener is the Instrument wherby the Diuell worketh 5 the frame 8 of this 7 wicked woorke of Vsurie, hee beeing rewarded 7 5 with a good fleece for his labour. For firste, he hath a certaine allowance of the The Scriuiners Archdiuel 8 who owes the money, for helping him to fuch 9 vent for his fleece or pit-taunce for his coyne: Secondly, he hath a greate deale 10 more vsurie to himselfe, of him who boroweth the money, 11 than he alloweth the owner of the mony 11: And, thirdly, he hath not the least part for making the writings betwene them. 12 And thus the poore man is so implicate 13 [12 sign. L 2. A.] and wrapped in on euerie fide, as it is impossible for him euer 14 to get out of the briers 15 without losse of all that euer hee hath, to the very skin. Thus the riche are inriched, 16 the poore beggered, and Christ Iesus dishonored euerie way, God be mercifull vnto us! 17 De his hactenus 17.

[18 Greate Swearyng in Ailgna.

What is the 19 qualitie,20 and 19 naturall disposition 21 of this people? Are thei not a verie godlie, religious, and faithfull kind of people: For the faiyng is, that the woorde of God, and good Religion, florisheth in that lande, better then in the greatest parte of the worlde besides. Borisheth in England, but the And I am fullie perswaded, that where the woorde of God is truely wicked still. E, there must all thynges needes prosper, and goe forwarde; wherefore I defire to knowe your iudgement, whether all these thinges be so, or not.

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2 list B, E, F.
       <sup>1</sup> and also E, F.
                                                               3 both E, F.
                    • leaf 79. Great swearyng in Ailgna. B.
    6-5 this laudable worke, rewarding his Vassall F..
                                                                  6 effecte E.
    7-7 laudable woorke, rewarding his vassall, B, E.
                                                              <sup>8</sup> master deuil F.
    such not in B, E, F.
                                10 deale not in F.
                                                           -11 not in B, E, F.
       13 intangled F.
                                14 hardly F.
                                                      15 againe added in F.
         16 inrinched (sic) F.
                                                   17_17 not in B, E, F.
    19 This chapter, not in A, is added in B, E, & F.
                                                              19_19 not in F.
       <sup>20</sup> Inclination, added in E.
                                                   21 dispositistion (sic) F.
   † leaf 79, back. Hipocrisie vnder the cloke of Christianity. B. E has:
The disposition of Englishmen.
     SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES.
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[This page and in A.]

The natural disposition of Englishmen.

[Great wickednesse committed vnder the cloke of the gospell. E, F.] [5 leaf 80. B.†]

[Papistes suffered in England with too much lenitie. E, F.]

(Papists lining in prison lyke Princes, E, F.)

[Philo. The worde of God is truely and fincerely preached there, and his Sacramentes duely 1 and purely administred, as in any place in all the worlde2; no man can deny it; and all thynges are pretelie8 reformed, according to the prescripte of Gods woorde, sauyng that a fewe remnantes of fuperfittion doe remaine behinde vnremoued, which I hope in tyme will bee weeded out, by the ficele of Gods woorde. And as concernyng the nature, propertie, and disposition of the people, thei bee defirous of newfangles, praifyng thynges paffe, contemnyng thinges prefent, and conetyng after thynges to come Ambicious, proude, light, and vnftable, ready to bee caried awaie with euery blaste of Winde. And whereas you aske me, whether thei bee religious: I answere. If Religion consist in wordes onely, then are thei verie religious; but otherwise, plaine irreligious. Thei heare the woorde of God sereouslie, night & daie (a blessed exercise doubtlesse) flockyng after fermons from place to place, euerie hower almoste: thei receive the Sacramentes duely, and thei behave themselves in all thinges verie orderly, to the worlde. But a greate forte plaie the Hipocrites herein egregiouslie; and vnder this cloke of Christianitie, and profession of the Gospell, thei commit all kinde of Debuilrie, purchasing to themselves the greater damnation, in that thei make the worde of God, a vizard⁶ to couer their abhominations withall. And as for Sectes, Schismes,7 and sundrie factions, thei want none amonget them. But especially Papistes, and professors of Papisme, are fastived with too much lenitie amongest them. These sedicious Vipers, and pithonicall Hidraes, either lurke fecretely in corners, feducyng her Maiesties Subiectes, and withdrawyng their hartes from their soueraignes obedience, or els walk openly, obseruyng an outward decorum, and an order as others doe; and then maie no man faie 'blacke is their eye,' but thei are good Protestants. And if the worst fall, that thei be espied, & found rancke Traitours (as all Papistes bee) vet shall thei be but committed to Prison, where thei liue like yong Princes, fed with all delicate meates, clothed in fumpteous attire, and flowing in 8 gold and filuer. And no maruell, for every one is suffered to come to

ces. E, F.]

sincerely F.
 besides added in E, F.
 well added in E, F.
 themselued (sic) F.
 tleaf 80. The libertie of Papists in Ailgna. B.

or cloak added in F. Errors, added in E.

aboundance of added in F.

[them that will, and to bring them what I thei lift. Thei have their [This page not libertie at all tymes, to walke abroade, to sporte, and pastyme themfelues, to plaie at Cardes, Dice, Tables, Bowles, and what thei will: fo that it were better for them to be in prison then forth. Alas, shall Prisons in England. E, F.] we fuffer these sworne enemies of Gods glorie, of Christes Gospell, and holy Religion, to have this freedome amongest vs? This maketh them obstinate, and incorrigible?: this hardeneth their 3 hartes; and [3 leaf 80, back. this 4 maketh many a Papist moe then would be, if due correction 5 were executed.6 But to returne againe to my former discourse. They are also inconstant, arrogant, vainglorious, hautie mynded, and aboue all thynges inclined to fwearyng, in so muche, as if thei speake but three [Great swearing or fower wordes, yet must thei needes be interlaced with a bloudie E, F.J othe or two, to the great dishonour of God, and offence of the hearers.

Spud. Why fir? Is it so greate a matter to sweare? Doeth not the worde of God saie, thou shalt honour me, and sweare by my name, & those that sweare by me shall bee commended? These places and? the like, me thinke, dooe sufficiently proue, that it is lawfull to sweare at all tymes, doe thei not so?

Philo. Nothyng lesse: For you must vnderstand that there be two [Two kinds of maner of swearinges8: the one Godly, the other vngodly: the one lawfull, and the other damnable. The Godly fwearyng, or lawfull othe, is when we be called by the Magistrates, and those that be of authoritie, in any doubtfull matter, to depose a truthe; and is to be doen in this order. When any matter of controuerfie happeneth betwixt man and man, vpon any occasion whatsoeuer, and the truthe [When, and how thereof can not by any meanes possible be sisted out, otherwise then by an othe: then thou, beyng called by the lawful Magistrate, and commaunded vppon thy allegeance to confesse what thou knowest, thou maiest, and oughtest to depose the truthe, by the inuocation and [9 leaf 8r. B.t] obtestation of the name of God., And in this doyng, thou honourest God. But beware that those things which thou swearest be true, or els thou makest God a lier (whose name thou callest to witnesse)

¹ what maintenance F. 3 vnreclaimable F.

[•] leaf 80, back. How a man ought to sweare. B.

⁴ this not in E. punishment F. 6 vppon them added in F. or othes added in E, F, and p. 140, 142, 144. 7 with E, F. † leaf 81. Swearyng forbidden by God. B.

[This page med in [thou defireft hym to powre his wrath vpon thee, thou periureft thyfelf, and purchasest eternall damnation. The other vagodiy and damnable kinde of swearyng, is, when wee take in vaine abuse, and blaspheme, the sacred name of God in our ordenarie talke, for energ light trifle. This kinde of swearyng is never at any tyme yppon no occation to be vsed; but the counsell of our Saniour Christ is herein to be obeyed, who faieth: "Sweare not at all, neither by homen, for it is his Seate: neither by the earth, for it is his Footestoole: neither by Jerusalem, for it is the Citie of the great King: neither shalt thou sweare by an heire of thy head, because thou canst not make one heire white or blacke: But let your communication be yea, yea: nay, nay," that is: yea in harte, and yea in mouthe: nay in harte, and nay in mouthe: "for whatfoeuer is more then this commeth of euill." That is, of the Deuill, faieth our Saniour Christ.

Spud. I perceive by your reasons, that swearyng is a thyng more daungerous then it is taken to bee: and therefore not to bee suffered in a Christian Commonwealth.

[* leaf 8z, back. B.+] [Sundry kinds of othes, with their effectes. E, F.]

Philo. A true othe is daungerous, a false othe 2 is damnable, and no othe is fure. To fweare before a lawfull Iudge, or otherwise privately, for the appearing of controuerfies, callyng the name of God to witnesse in truthe and veritie, is an honour, and a true seruice doen to the Lorde: for in these causes the Apostle biddeth that an oth may make an ende of all controuerfies and troubles. But the other kinde of fwearyng in priuate and familiar talke, is most damnable; and therefore faieth Salomon: "A man that is given to muche fwearyng shall bee filled with iniquitie, and the plague of God shall neuer goe from his house." And yet notwithstandyng this, it is vsed and taken there for a vertue. So that he that can lashe out the bloudiest othes, is coumpted the brauest fellowe: For (saie thei) it is a signe of a coragious harte, of a valiaunt stomacke, & of a generoseous, heroicall, and puissant mynde. And who, either for feare of Gods Iudgementes will not, or for want of practice cannot, rappe out othes at every word, he is counted a Dastard, a Cowarde, an Asse, a Pesant, a Clowne, a Patche, an effeminate person, and what not that is euill. By continuall vse whereof, it is growne to this perfection, that at euery other worde, you shal heare either woundes, bloud, fides, harte, † leaf 81, back. The horrible vice of swering in Ailg. B. 1 thine F.

(Swearing taken for a vertue in England E, F.]

[nailes, foote, or fome other parte of Christes blessed bodie,1 yea, [This page not fometymes no parte thereof shalbe left vntorne of these bloudie Villaines. And to fweare by God at enery worde, by the World, by S. Jhon, 2 by S. Marie, S. Anne, by Bread and Salte, by the Fire, or by any other Creature, thei thinke it nothyng blame worthie. But I gine all bloudie Swearers (who crucifie the Lorde of life afresh, as the Apostle faieth, as muche as is in their power, and are as giltie of his Death, Paffion, and Bloud-sheddyng, as euer was Iudas that betrayed hym, or the curfed lewes that crucified hym) to vnderstande, that to fweare by God at enery woorde, is the greatest othe that can bee. For in fwearyng by God, thou fwearest by God the Father, by God the Sonne, and by God the holie Ghoft, and by all the whole divine Nature, Power, dieitie,3 and effence. When thou swearest by Gods harte, thou fwearest by his misticall wisedome. When thou swearest by his bloud, thou fwearest by his life. When thou swearest by his feete, thou fwearest by his humanitie. When thou fwearest by his armes, thou fwearest by his power. When thou fwearest by his finger, or tung, thou swearest by the holie Spirite. When thou fwearest by his nosethrells, thou swearest by his inspirations. When thou fwearest by his eyes, thou fwearest by his prouidence. Therfore, learne this, and beware of fwearyng, you bloudie Butchers, leaft God destroye you in his wrathe. And if you fweare by the Worlde, by S. [To sweare by Ihon, Marie, Anne, Bread, Salt, Fire, or any other Creature that euer idolatrie. E 1 God made, whatfoeuer it be, little or muche, it is horrible Idolatrie, and damnable in it felf. For if it were lawfull to fweare at euery 5 woorde for euery trifle, yet it were better to fweare by GOD in a true matter, then by any Creature whatfoeuer. Because, that, that a man fweareth by, he maketh (as it were) his God of it, callyng hym? to witnesse, that, that thyng which he speaketh is true. All which thinges duely confidered, I am fully perfwaded, that it were better for one to kill a man (not that Murther is lawful, God forbid!) then to fweare an othe. And yet fwearyng is of fuche fmall moment in Ailgna, as I heare fay (and I feare me too true), there are many that [False 1 sworne by, added in E, F.

sweare by any creature. E, F.J

[How dangerous

[4 leaf 82, back.

8 in England for money. E, F.]

* leaf 82. Horrible swearing in Ailgna. B. B Deity F. † leaf 82, back. False Swearers for money in Ailg. B. each E, F. 6 which in E, F. 7 it E, F.

8_8 for money in England F.

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[Swearers are

very Devils.]

[A lawe for swearers, E, F.] [6 leaf 83. B.†]

[for money will not sticke to sweare any thing, though neuer so false, and are wel enough knowne, and discerned from others by the name of Jurers: thei maie be called Libertines, or Atheistes, naie, plaine 1denegers of 1 the faithe, and very Deuilles incarnate. Was 2 there euer any Deuilles that would abdicate 3 themselues to eternall damnation for money, as these villaines dooe sell their bodies and soules to eternall destruction for filthy drosse and muck of the world? Shall wee fuffer this villanie to bee doen to our God, and not punishe it? God graunt there maie some Lawe be enacted for the suppression of the fame. For now no man by any lawe in force may rebuke any 5 man for fwearyng, though he teare the Lordes bodie, and blafpheme bothe Heauen and Earth neuer fo much. The Magistrates can not compell them to keepe filence, for if thei doe, 6 thei will be readie to laie their Daggers vppon 7 their faces. So that by this impunitie, this horrible vice of fwearing is fuffered still to remaine without al controlement, to the great difhonour of God, and nouriflyng of vice.

Spud. What kinde of punishment would you have appointed for these notorious bloudy swearers.

[Punishment due for swearers. E, F.]

Philo. I would wishe (if it pleased God) that it were made death: For wee reade in the Lawe of God, that whosoeuer blasphemed the Lord, was presently stoned to deathe, without all remorce, which law indiciall standeth in force to the worldes ende. And ought not we to be as zealous for the glorie of God, as the people were then? Or if this bee indged too seuere, I would wishe they might have a peece of their tongues cut of, or loose some ioynt: If that bee too extreeme, to be seared in the fore head or cheeke with a hot Iron, ingraven with some preties pozie, that thei might be knowne and auoyded. Or if this be too strict, that thei might bee banished their native Countrie, committed to perpetuall prison, or els to bee whipped, or at least, forfaite for every othe, a certaine somme of money, and to bee committed to Warde, till the money be paied. If any of these Godly Institutions were executed severely, I doubt not, but all cursed swearing would vanish away like smoke. Then should God be so glorisied,

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1—1 reprobates concerning F.

2 Were F.

3 and abandone added in E, F.

4 not to E, F.

5 a in E, F.

7 on E, F.

2 Were F.

4 not to E, F.

5 pretie not in F.

9 like a F.
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[and our Confciences made1 cleane against the 2 greate3 fearfull daie of [This page not in A.] the Lorde appeare.

[2 leaf 83, back. B.*]

Spud. If fwearing and blaspheming of God's name be so hainous a finne, it is likely, that God hath plagued the viers therof with fome notable punishment,4 whereof I praie you shew me some examples.

Philo. I could shewe most straunge and fearfull judgements of [God's judgments

God, executed vppon these cursed kinde of Swearers in all ages : but for breuite fake, one or two shall suffice. There was a certaine yong

man dwellyng in Enlocnilshire⁵ in Ailgna, (whose tragicall discourse

I my felf penned about two yeares agoe,6 referring you to the faid booke for the further declaration therof) who was alwaies a filthie

example of God † wrath shewed vpon a filthy E, F.] [† gods in

Swearer: His common othe was by 'God's bloud.' The Lorde willyng his conversion, chastifed him with sicknesse many times to leave the same, and moued others euer to admonish him of his wickednesse: but all chaftisementes and louyng corrections of the Lorde, al freendly admonitions, and exhortations of others, he vtterly contemned, ftil perfeuering in his bloudie kinde of fwearyng. Then the Lord, feing that

nothing would preuaile to winne him, arefted hym with his Sargeant

Death: Who, with speede laied holde on hym, and cast hym vppon his Death bed, where he languished a great while, in extreeme miserie, not forgettyng to spewe out his olde vomite of Swearyng.

At the last, the people perceiving his ende to approach, 8 caused the [8 leaf 84 B.t. Bell to toll. Who, hearyng the Bell toll for him, rushed vp in his bed [A most dreadvery vehemently, faiyng: "Gods bloud, he shall not have me yet:" swearer. E, F.1

fingers endes, fome at his wriftes, fome at his nofe and mouth, fome at one joint of his body, fome at an other, neuer ceafing till all the bloud of9 his bodie was stremed forthe: and thus ended this bloudie

with that, his bloud gushed out, some at his toes endes, some at his

Swearer his mortall 10 life, whose Iudgement I leave to the Lord. There was also an other, whom I knewe my felf for a dozen or fixteene yeres together, dwellyng in Erichsfehcshire,11 in a Towne

¹ kepte E : kept F. · leaf 83, back. Examples against swearyng. B.

³ and added in E, F. 4 in all ages added in F. 5 Lincolneshire F. 6 in verse added in F. 7 exhortation F.

t leaf 84. Two Swearers in Ailgna. B. E has: A most dreadfull end of a swearer.

⁹ in F. 10 cursed F.

¹¹ Cheshire E, F.

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Ten page, to a

conspiction in
Cheshre

The feareful death of another swearer, E. F.1

[4 leaf 84, back. B.†] [London.] [The example of a woman forswearing her selfe. E, F.]

called Notelgnoc,1 whose vinall and common oth was ever to sweare. by Gods Armes: But in the ende, his arme being hurte by a knife, could never be healed by no kinde of meanes, but still wranckled 2 and festered from date to date, and at the last so rotted, as it fell awaie by peecemeale, and he himself through anguish and paine thereof dyed thortly after. Thus the Lord God plagued both the one and the other, in the fame thinges wherein thei had offended, that the punithment might be like to the offence. For as the one offended through swearing by his bloud, so the Lorde punished hym with bloud. And as the other offended in swearyng by his armes, so the Lorde plagued hym in his arme also. As he punished the riche Glutton in Hell by the tongue, for that he had offended in the same by taftyng of delicate 4meates. There was also a woman in the Citie of Munidnol in Ailgna, who, commyng into a shoppe to buye certaine Marchaundize, forfware her felf; and the excrementes whiche naturally should evacuate 6 downewarde, came forthe at her mouthe, and she dved miterablie. With infinite like exampled of God's wrath and heavie iudgementes, executed vppon this wicked broode of Swearers, whiche if I had tyme and leafure, I could rehearfe. But contentyng my felf to have faied thus muche, I will proceede to other matters no lesse needefull to be handled.]

Spud. Hauing (by the grace of Christe) hytherto spoken of sundrie Abuses of that countrie, let vs proceed a little further. howe doe they sanctiste and keepe the Sabbaoth day? In godly Christian exercises, or els in prophane pastimes and pleasures?

The Maner of fanctifiyng the Sabaoth in Ailgna.

Philo.

The Sabaoth day, of some is well fanctified, ¹⁰ namely in hearing the ¹¹ Word of God read, preached, and interpreted in privat and publique Prayers, in singing of Godly Pialmes, in celebrating the facra-

- ¹ Congleton F. ² ranckled F. ³ puninished (sic) F. † leaf 84, back. The vse of the Sabaoth in Ailgna. B.
- ⁵ London F. ⁶ have discended F. ⁷ the added in E, F. ⁸ examples in F. ⁹ sanctisie A.
- 10 santified A; observed E; observed, as F. 11 the blessed B, E, F.

ments, & in collecting for the poore & indigent; 1 which are the true [1 L 2, back. A.] vies and ends wherto the Sabaoth was ordained. But other fome fpend 2the Sabaoth day (for the most part) in frequenting of baudie [2 leaf 85. B.+] Stage-playes and enterludes, in maintaining Lords of mif-rule (for fo they call a certaine kinde of play which they vie), 8 May-games, Church-ales, feafts, and wakeeffes: in pyping, dauncing, dicing, card- Prophane ing, bowling, tennisse playing; in Beare-bayting, cock-fighting, hawking, hunting, and fuch like; In keeping of Faires and markets on the [Fairs, footballfabaoth; In keeping4 Courts and Leets; In foot-ball playing, and fuch playing and other profanities other deuilish pastimes; 5 reading of laciuious and wanton bookes, and an infinit number of fuch like practifes and prophane exercifes vied vppon that day, wherby the Lord God is dishonoured, his Sabaoth violated, his woord neglected, his facraments contemned, and his People meruelously corrupted and caryed away from true vertue and godlynes. 6 Lord, remoone thefe exercifes from thy Sabaoth 16

Spud. You wil be deemed too too Stoicall, if you should restrain men from these exercises vpon the Sabaoth; for they suppose that that day? was ordained and confecrate to that end and purpose, only to vie what kinde of exercises they think good themselues: & was it not fo?

Phi. After that the Lord our God had created the world, and all things therin contained, in 8 fix dayes, in the feuenth day he refted [8 L 3. A.] from all his woorks (that is, from creating them, not from 9 gouerning them) and therefore hee commaunded that the feuenth day should be ordained. kept holy in all ages to the end of the world: then, after that in effect Bt 2000 yeeres, he iterated this Commandement, when he gaue the law in mount Horeb to Moyfes, & in him to all 10 the Children of Ifrael, faying, remember (forget it not) that thou keep holy the feuenth day, &c. If we must keep it holy, then must we not spend it in such vain exercifes as pleafe ourselues, but in such godly exercifes as he in his holy woord hath commaunded. And (in my judgement) the Lord our God ordained the feuenth day to be kept holy for foure causes

* leaf 85. The prophanation of the Saboth. B. 3 in added in E. 5 in added in B, E, F. 4 keepyng of B, E, F.

o not in B, E, F. 7 is a day of liberty, and added in F. † leaf 85, back. The Institution of the Sabaoth. B. (Sadaoth. A.) 10 call E, F.

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especially. First, to put we in minds of his wanderful woorkmenship & creation of the world and creatures believe. Secondly, that his woord (the Church affenbling togither) might be preached, interpreted, & expounded; his facements ministed finceerly, according to the prescript of his woord, & that fullrages? & praises, bothe privat & publique, might be offered to his excellent Maichie. Thirdly, for that encry christian man might repose himself from corporall labour, to the end they might the better fullain the transiles of the week to enfoe3; and also to the end that all beats & cattel, which the Lord (* L.), back. A.) hath made for mans vie, as helps & *adiuments * vnto him in his daylie affaires & businesse, might rest and refresh them selves, the better to (* leaf 86. B.+) 6go thorow in their transiles afterward. For, as the hethen Man new very wel, fine alterna requie non est durabile quicquam: Without fome reft or repose, there is not any thing durable, or able to continue long. Fourthly, to thend it might be a typical figure or fignitor 7 to point 6 (as it were) with the finger, and to cypher 6 foorth 10 and shadowe 10 vnto vs that bleffed reft & thryse happie ioye which the faithfull shall possesse after the day of indgement in the Kingdome of Heauen. Wherfore, seeing the Sabaoth was instituted for these causes, 11 it is manifest that it was not appointed for the maintenance of wicked and vngodly pastymes, and vaine pleasures of the slesh; which God abhorreth, and all good men from their hartes do loth and detefte.

The Man, of whome we read in the law, for gathering of a few fmall flickes vpon the Sabaoth, was floned to death by the com-

maundement of God from 12 the Theator of Heauen.

Violaters of

[15 L 4. A.]

Than, if he were stoned for gathering a few sticks vppon the Sabaoth day, which in some cases might be 13 for necessities sake, and 14 did it but once, what shall they be, who all the Sabaoth dayes of their lyfe give them-felues to nothing els but to wallow in all kind of wickednesse and sinne, to the great contempt both 15 of the Lord and his Sabaoth? And though they have played the lazie lurdens al the

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2 orisons added in E, F.
 1 and all other his B, E, F.
      3 following (for to ensue) E, F.
                                                        <sup>5</sup> supportes F.
            † leaf 86. Violaters of the Sabaoth punished. B.
      7 vnto vs added in F.
                                                       * poynt out F.
                                                10__10 not in B, E, F.

    discipher F.

                                                18 soundyng from B, E, F.
11 and to these endes added in B, E, F.
                                                14 and yet E, F.
          13 lawfull added in F.
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weke before, yet that day of fet purpose they wil toile 1 and labour, in [1 leaf 86, back. contempt of the Lord and his Sabaoth. But let them be fure, as he that gathered stickes upon the Sabaoth was stoned for his contempt of the fame, so shall they be stoned, yea, grinded to peeces, for their contempt of the Lord in his Sabaoth.

The *Iewes* are verye strict in keeping their Sabaoths; in so muche as they will not dresse their meats and drinks vppon the same day, but fet it on the tables the day befor. They go not aboue ij. miles vpon the fabaoth day; they 8 fuffer not the body of any 4 Malefactor to hang vppon the gallowes vppon the Sabaoth day, with legions of fuch like supersticions. [5 And whiche is most straunge, if any of them fall into any daunger, thei will not fuffer any to labour for their deliuerie vpon that daie, for violatyng their Sabbaoth. So it chaunced that a certaine Iewe beyng in Ailgna,6 by greate7 casualtie fell into a Priuie vppon one of their Sabbaoth daies, and the people endeuouryng to helpe him forthe, he forbad them to labour about hym vpon the Sabbaoth daie, chosing rather to dye in that filthie stincking place, (as by the other morning he was dead indeed) then to breake or violate the Lordes Sabbaoth.⁵] Wherin, as I do acknowledge, they are but too scrupelous,8 and overshoot the marke, so we are therin plaine contempteous and negligent, shooting short of the marke altogether. Yet I am not so strait laced, that 9 I would have no kinde of worke [9 leaf 87. B.t] done vppon that daye, if present necessitie of the thing require it (for Christe hath taught vs the Sabaoth was made for Man, not Man for the Sabaoth,) but not for every light trifle, which may as well be done other dayes as vpon that day. And although the day it felf, in respect of the very 10 nature and original 11 therof, be no better than another 12 day, for there is no difference of dayes, except we 18 become temporizers, all 14 beeing alike good; yet because the Lord our God hath commaunded it to be fanctified & kept holy to him felf, let vs (like obedient & obsequious Children) submit our selues to so loouing a Father; for els we spit against heauen, we striue against the stream.

The English n a privy, rather than be pulld out on the

[** L 4, back. A.]

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    leaf 86, back. Strict observation of the Sabaoth. B.

      <sup>3</sup> keepyng of B, E; keeping the F.
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   4 any felone or B, E, F.
                                                       - added in B, E, F.
                              7 greate not in F.
   <sup>6</sup> England E, F.
                                                          <sup>8</sup> supersticious F.
 † leaf 87. The true vse of the Sabaoth. B.
                                                          10 very not in E, F.
11 originall not in F.
                              13 we wil B, E, F.
                                                          14 all times B, E, F.
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and we contemn him in his ordinances. But (perchance) you wil aske me, whither the true vse of the Sabaoth confist in outward abstraining from bodilye labour and trauaile? I answere, no: the true vse of the Sabaoth (for Christians are not bound onely to the Ceremonie of the day,) consisteth, as I haue said, in hearing the woord of God truely preached, therby to learn and to doo his wil, in receiuing the facraments (as seales of his grace towards vs), rightly administred, in vsing publique and private prayer, in thanksgiving to God for all his benefits, in singing of godly Psalmes, and other spiritual exercises and meditations, in collecting for the poore, in dooing of good woorkes, and breefly, in the true obedience of the inward man. And yet, notwithstanding, were must abstain from the one to attend upon the other: that is, were must refrain all bodily labours, to the end that were may the better be resiant at these spirituall exercises upon the Sabaoth day.

Wherin the true vse of the Sabaoth consisteth

[1 leaf 87, back.

[4 L 5. A

⁴This is the true vie and end of the Lord his Saboth, who graunt that we may rest in him for euer!

[The abuses whereby the Sabbath is profaned.] Spud. Having shewed the true vse of the Saboth, let vs go forward to speke of those Abuses particularly, wherby the Saboth of the Lord is prophaned. And first to begin with stage playes and enterluds: What is your opinion of them? Are they not good examples to youth to fray them from sinne?

Of Stage-playes, and Enterluds, with their wickednes.

Philo.

[Plays on religious subjects are sacrilegious.] ALL Stage-playes, Enterluds, and Commedies are either of diuyne or prophane matter: If they be of diuine matter, than are they most intollerable, or rather Sacrilegious; for that the blessed word of God is to be handled reuerently, grauely, and sagely, with veneration to the glorious Maiestie of God, which shineth therin, and not scotsingly, slowtingly, & iybingly, as it is vpon stages in Playes & Enterluds, without any reuerence, worship, or veneration to 8 the same. 9 the word of

[6 leaf 88. B.+]

- leaf 87, back. Stage plaies and Enterludes. B.
 refrain from B, E.
 aboute B, E, F.
 Of not in E, F.
- † leaf 88. Warnynges to Players. B. † honour F. 8 at all doen to B, E, F. 9 For it is most certaine added in B, E, F.

our Saluation, the price of Christ his bloud, & the merits of his passion, were not given to 1 be derided and iested at, 2 as they be in these filthie is L. 5, back. A.] playes and enterluds on stages & scaffolds,2 or to be mixt and interlaced with bawdry, wanton shewes, & vncomely gestures, as is vsed player. (euery Man knoweth) in these playes and enterludes.4 In the first of Ihon we are taught that the word is Gop, and God is the word: Wherfore, who so euer abuseth this word of our God on stages in playes and enterluds, abuseth the Maiesty of God in the same, maketh a mocking flock of him, & purchaseth to himselfe eternal damnation. And no marueil; for the facred word of God, and God himselfe, is neuer to be thought of, or once 5 named, but with great Revere feare, reuerence, and obedience to the fame. All the holy companie God due. of Heauen, Angels, Archangels, Cherubins, Seraphins, and all other⁶ powers whatfoeuer, yea, the Deuills themselues (as Iames saith) doo tremble & quake at the naming of God, and at the presence of his wrath: and doo these Mockers and Flowters of his Maiesty, these disfembling Hipocrites, and flattering Gnatoes, think to escape vnpunished? beware, therfore, you masking Players, you painted sepulchres, you doble dealing ambodexters, be warned betymes, and, lik good computifies, cast your accompts before, what wil be the reward therof [? 1 af 88, back. B. 1] in the end, least God destroy you in his wrath: abuse God no more, corrupt his 10 people no longer with your dregges, and intermingle not [10 L 6. A.] his bleffed word with fuch prophane vanities. For at no 11 hand it is Not lawfull to not lawfull to mixt scurrilitie with diuinitie, nor diuinitie with scur- diuynitie with rilitie.

Theopompus mingled Moyses law with his writinges, and therfore the LORD stroke him madd. Theodictes began the same practife, but the Lorde stroke him blind for it; With many others, who, attempting 12 the like deuyses, were al ouerthrowne, and died miserably: besids, what is their iudgement in the other World, the Lord onely knoweth. Vpon the other fide, if their playes be of prophane matters, than tend

What if playes

they to the dishonor of God, and norishing of vice, both which 2-2 not in B, E, F. 3 scurrility added in F. 4 vpon stages and scaffoldes made for that purpose, added in B, E, F. 5 to be added in F. 6 other Ceraphicall B, E, F. ⁷ as Sainct B, E, F. warming A. † leaf 88, back. Plaies and Enterludes vnlawfull. B. 11 any F. 12 attempting A.

The deriding of the word of

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A warning 8 to

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are damnable. So that whither they be the one or the other, they are quite contrarie to the Word of grace, and fucked out of the Deuills teates to nourith vs in ydolatrie, bethenrie, and finne. And therfore they, carrying the note, or 1 brand, of 2 God his 2 curse vppon their backs, which way foeuer they goe, are to be hiffed out of all Christian Kingdomes, if they wil have Christ to dwell smongst them.

Spud. Are you able to shewe, that ever any good Men, from the beginning, haue refifted 8 Playes and Enterluds?

[4 leaf 89. B.*]

The word of God, al Writers, counsels and Fathers haue writ 7

Wherfore playes were ordeined.

⁴ Philo. Not onely the word of God doth ouerthrow them, addindg-[5 L 6, back A.] ing them & the main tainers of them to Hell, but also all holie counsels, and finodes, both generall, nationall, and provinciall, together with all Writers, both diuyne and prophane, euer fince the beginning, haue disalowed them, and writ (almost) whole volumes against them.

The learned Father Tertullian, In his booke de Speculo, saith that playes were confecrat to that faile ydoll Bacchus, for that he is faid to

have found out and invented strong drinke. Augustinus,) de ciuit. Dei, saith that plaies were ordeined by the Deuill, and confecrat to heathen Gods, to draw vs from Christianitie to

ydolatrie, and gentilisme. And in an other place, Pecunias Histrionibus dare vitium est innane,8 non virtus: To give money to Players is a

greeuous fin.9

[Chrisostome calleth those playes festa Sathani, seasts of the Deuill. Lactantius, an ancient learned Father, saith, Histrionum impudissimi gestus, nihil aliud nist Libidinem mouent: The shamelesse gestures of Plaiers serue to nothing so much as to moue the slesh to lust and vnclennesse. And therfore in the .30. Counsell of Carthage & 10 Synode of Laodicea, it was decreed that no Christen Man or Woman should

reforte to playes and enterludes, where is nothing but blasphemie, 11 Currilitie, and whordome maintained. Scipio, seeing the Romaines bente 12 to erect Theaters & places for plaies, dehorted them from it

Concilium 3. Cartha. Cap. II. Synode Laodicea, Cap. 54.

[12 leaf 89, back. [12 L 7. A.]

> 1 and E. F. 2-2 Gods F. 3 disliked F. • leaf 89. Stage playes condemned. B. ⁶ practisers E, F.

⁷ haue writ not in E, F.

⁸ immane B, E, F. 9 and no vertue added in B, E, F. 10 in the added in B, E, F. + leaf 89, back. The effectes of Playes. B.

with the 1 most prudent reasons and forcible arguments. Maximus faith, playes were never brought vp fine regni rubore, without shame to the Cuntrey. (Arift. debarreth youth accesse to Playes and Enterlude & Enterluds, least they, seeking to quench the thirst of Venus, doo quench it with a potle of fire. (Augustus) banished Ouid for making Booker of loue, Enterluds, and fuch other amorous trumperie.

Valerius Writers both

(Constantius) ordeined that no Player shold be admitted to the table of the Lord. Than, seeing that Playes were first invented The ends of by the Deuil, practifed by the heathen gentiles, and dedicat to their Enterluds. false ydols, Goddes and Goddesses, as the howse, stage, and apparell to Venus, the musicke to Appollo, the penning to Minerua and the Muses, the action and pronuntiation to Mercurie and the rest, it is more than manifest that they are no fit exercyses for a⁵ Christen ⁶Man to follow. But if there were no euill in them faue this, namely, that the arguments of tragedies is anger, wrath, immunitie, crueltie, iniurie, incest, The argumurther, & such like, the Persons or Actors are Goddes, Goddesses, tragedies. Furies, Fyends, Hagges, Kings, Quee8nes, or Potentates. Of Com- [8 leaf 90. B.t] medies the matter and ground is loue, bawdrie, cosenage, flattery, The ground of Commedies. whordome, adulterie; the Perofons, or agents, whores, queanes, bawdes, [9 L 7, back. A.] scullions, Knaues, Curtezans, lecherous old men, amorous yong men, with fuch like of infinit varietie. If, I fay, there were nothing els but this, it were sufficient to withdraw a good christian from the vfing of them; For so often as they goe to those howses where Players Theaters and frequent, thei go to Venus pallace, & sathans synagogue, to worship nus pallaces. deuils, & betray Christ Iesus.

Spud. But, notwithstanding, I have hard 10 some hold opinion that they be as good as fermons, and that many a good Example may be learned out of them.

Philo. Oh blasphemie intollerable! Are filthie playes & bawdy No player

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1 the not in B, E, F.
                             4 dedicated F.
3 first not in E, F.
        6 men B, E, F.
   † leaf 90. Theaters, Venus Pallaces. B.
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³ Waiters F. ⁵ a not in B, E, F. 7 is not in E. 10 heard F.

1 'The Theatre' (where Shakspere probably first acted) was built by James Burbage in 1576 in the then fields near the site of the present Standard Theatre in Shoreditch, and was pulld down in 1598, and rebuilt as 'The Globe' on Bankside, Southwark, in 1599. 'The Curtain' theatre was close by The Theatre, near Curtain Court, now Gloucester St. Shoreditch, and was built by 1577.-F. J. F.

enterluds comparable to the word of God, the foode of life, and life it felfe? It is all one, as if they had faid, bawdrie, hethenrie, paganrie, fcurrilitie, and diuelrie it felf, is equall with the word of God; Or that the Deuill is equipolent1 with the Lord.

The Lord our God hath ordeined his bleffed word, and made it the ordenarie mean of our Saluation; the Deuill hath inferred the

He is cursed that saith playes and enterluds are comparable to [2 leaf 90, back. B.*] [3 L 8, A.]

other, as the ordenarie meane of our destruction; and will they yet compare the one with the other? If he be accurfed that calleth light darknes, & darknes light, truth falsehood, & falshood 2truth, sweet fowre, and fowr fweete, than, a fortiori, is he accurfed that faith that playes & enterluds be equivalent with Sermons. Be3fides this, there is no mischief which these plaies4 maintain not. For do they not norish ydlenes? and otia dant vitia, ydlenes bis the Mother of vice. Doo they not draw the people from hering the word of God, from

godly Lectures and fermons? for you shall have them flocke thither, thick & threefould, when the church of God shalbe bare & emptie; And those that will neuer come at sermons wil flow thither apace. The reason is, for that the number of Christ his elect is but few, and the number of the reprobat is many; the way that leadeth to life is narow, and few tread that path; the way that leadeth to death is brod,

& many find it. This sheweth they are not of God, who refuse to here his word (for he that is of God hereth God his word, faith our Sauiour Christ) but of the deuill, whose exercyses they go to visite.

Wherfore so many flock to see playes and enterluds,

The fruits of theathers 6 & playes.

The Godly? demeanoures vsed at playes & enterluds [8 leaf 91. B.+] [9 L 8, back, A.]

Do they not maintaine bawdrie, infinuat folery, & renue the remembrance of hethen ydolatrie? Do they not induce whordom & vnclennes? nay, are they not rather plaine deuourers of maydenly virginitie and chastitie? For proofe wherof, but marke the flocking and running to Theaters & curtens, daylie and hourely, night and daye, tyme and tyde, to fee Playes and Enterludes; where fuch wanton gestures, such 8 bawdie speaches, such laughing and fleering, such kissing and buffing, fuch clipping and culling, Suche winckinge and glancinge

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1 equivalent F.
                           · leaf 90, back. The fruittes of Playes. B.
    4 Playes B. E. F.
                                            5-5 doth minister F.
           5 Theaters F.
                                              7 goodly F.
                                                      10 ended E, F.
† leaf 91. What to be learned at Playes, B.
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of wanton eyes, and the like, is vied, as is wonderfull to behold.

Than, these goodly pageants being done, 10 euery mate forts to his

mate, euery one bringes another homeward of their way verye freendly, and in their fecret conclaues (couertly) they play the Sodomits, or worse. And these be the fruits of Playes and Enterluds for the most part. And wheras, you say there are good Examples to be learned in them, Trulie so there are: if you will learne falshood; if The goodly you will learn cosenage; if you will learn to deceiue; if you will learn to play the Hipocrit, to cogge, lye, and falfifie; if you will learn to iest, laugh, and fleer, to grin, to nodd, and mow; if you will learn to playe the vice, to fwear, teare, and blaspheme 2 both Heauen and 12 blaspleme A.] Earth: If you will learn to become a bawde, vncleane, and to deuerginat Mayds to deflour honest Wyues): if you will learne to murther, flaie, kill, picke, steal, robbe, and roue: If you will learn to rebel against Princes, to commit treasons,4 to consume 5 treasurs, to practise ydlenes, to fing and talke of bawdie loue and venery: if you will lerne to deride, scoffe, mock, & flowt, to flatter & smooth: If you will learn to play the whore-maister, the glutton, Drunkard, or incestuous person: if you will learn to become proude, haw tie, & arrogant; and, finally, if you will learne to contemne God and al his lawes, to care ⁸ neither for heauen nor hel, and to commit al kinde of finne and mifcheef, you need to goe to no other schoole, for all these good Ex- [6 leaf 91, back. amples may you fee painted before your eyes in enterludes and playes: wherfore that man who giueth money for the maintenance of them must needs incurre the 9 damage 10 of 11 premunire, that is, 9 eternall damnation, except they 12 repent. For the Apostle biddeth vs beware, least wee communicat with other mens finnes; & this their dooing is not only to communicat with other mens finnes, & 18 maintain euil to the What it is to distruction of them selves & many others, but also a maintaining 14 of a with other great forte of idle lubbers, and 15 buzzing dronets, to 15 fuck vp and deuoure the good honie, wherupon the poor bees should live.

Therfore I beseech all players 16 & Founders 16 of plaies and enter-tion to plaies. ludes, in the bowels of Iesus Christe, as they tender the faluation of their

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3 flay F.
1 to lye B, E, F.
                                        <sup>4</sup> Treason F.
                                                            5 comsume A.
          † leaf 91, back. Theaters, schooles of mischeese. B.
      7 comtemne A.
                                       9-9 ineuitable sentence of F.
      10 daunger B, E.
                                         11 of a B; of the deuine E.
                      13 and to B, E, F.
                                                    14 supporting B, E, F.
13 he E, F.
             -15 laizie Lurdens, who F, buzzing dronets who E.
                 16 -16 founders and maintainers B, E, F.
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SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES.

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foules, and others, to leave of that curfed kind of life, and give them felues to fuch honeft exercises and godly misteries as God hath commaunded them in his woord to get their liuings withall: for who wil call him a wifeman, that plaieth the part of a foole and a vice? who can call him a Christian, who playeth the part of a deuil, the sworne enemie of Christe? who can call him a just man, that playeth the 1 part of a diffembling hipocrite? And, to be breef, 2 who can call him a ftraight deling man, who playeth a Cosoners trick 3? And so of all the rest. Away therfore with this so infamous an art! for goe they neuer fo braue, yet are they counted and taken but for beggers. And is it not true? liue they not vpon begging of euery one that comes? Are4 they not taken by the lawes of the Realm for roagues and vacabounds? I speak of such as trauaile the Cuntries with playes & enterludes, making an occupation of it, and ought fo to be punished, if they had their deferts. But hoping that they will be warned now at the last, I wil say no more of them, beseeching them to consider what a fearful thing it is to fall into the hands of God, & to prouoke his wrath and heavie displeasure against them selves and others; which the Lord of his mercie turn from vs!

Spud. Of what forte be the other kinde of playes, which you call Lords of Mis-rule? for mee thinke the very name it felf ⁵ caryeth a tafte of ⁵ fome notorious ⁶ euil.

Lords of Mif-rule in Ailgna.

Philo.

Lords of Mis-rule in Ailgna, [7 M 2, A.]

The ignomy due to Players.

[* leaf 92. B.*] [* M 1, back. A.]

Players line vpon begging.

Players counted Rogues by the lawes of the Realm.

[9 leaf 92, back. B.†] THE name, indeed, is odious both to God and good men, & fuch as the very heathen people would have blushed at once to ⁷ have named amongst them. And if the name importeth some euil, ⁸ then, what may the thing ⁹ it self be, judge you? But because you defire to know the manner of them, I wil showe you as I have seen them

* leaf 92. Lordes of Misrule in Ailgna, B.

* part F.

* And are F.

* motorious not in B, E, F.

* as you say added in F.

† leaf 92, back. The order of the Lord of Misrule, B.

practifed my felf. First, all the wilde-heds of the Parish, conventing 1 togither, chuse them a Graund 2-Captain (of all 8 mischeefe) whome they innoble with the title of 'my Lord of Mis-rule', and him they crowne played. with great folemnitie, and adopt for their king. This king anointed chuseth forth twentie, fortie, threescore or a hundred lustie Guttes, like to him felf, to waighte vppon his lordly Maiestie, and to guarde his noble person. Then, euerie one of these his men, he inuesteth with his liueries of green, yellow, or fome other light wanton colour; And as though that were not (baudie) gaudie enough, I should say, they bedecke them felues with scarfs, ribons & laces hanged all ouer with golde rings, precious stones, & other iewels: this doon, they tye about either leg xx. or xl. bels, with rich handkercheifs in their hands, and fometimes laid a croffe ouer their shoulders & necks, borrowed for the most parte of their pretie Mopsies & loouing Besses, for bushing them in the dark. Thus al things fet in order, then have they their Hobbyhorses,6 dragons & other Antiques, togither with their baudie Pipers and thundering Drummers to strike 7 vp the deuils daunce withall. then, marche these heathen company towards the Church and guard. Church-yard, their pipers pipeing, their drummers thundring, their flumps dauncing, their bels lyngling, their handkerchefs fwinging 10 about their heds like madmen, their hobbie horses and other monsters skirmishing amongst the route 11: & in this forte they go to the Church 12 (I fay) & into the Church, 12 (though the Minister be at praier or preaching), dancing & fwinging [t]heir handkercheifs 18 ouer their heds in the Church, like deuils incarnate, with fuch a confuse 14 noise, that no man can hear his own voice. Then, the foolish people they looke, they stare, they laugh, they fleer, & mount vpon fourmes and pewes to see these goodly pageants folem[ni]zed in this fort. Then, after this, about the Church they goe againe and again, & so foorth Receptacles in into the church-yard, where they have commonly their Sommer-haules, their bowers, arbors, & banqueting houses set vp, wherin they feast, banquet & daunce al that day & (peraduenture) all the 15 night too. And thus these terrestriall furies spend the Sabaoth day.

The manner

The monster ous attyring of my Lord of Misrules Men.

The rablement [7 M 2, back. A.] [9 leaf 93. B.t]

The behauiour of the Deuills temple of God.

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1 flocking F.
                               <sup>3</sup> Ground E.
                                                            3 all not in F.
4 handkerchiese F.
                                <sup>5</sup> Bessies F.
                                                          6 their added in F.
                         † leaf 93. The order of the Lord of Misrule. B.
8 this F.
                                                      13_12 not in B, E, F.
10 fluttering F.
                         11 throng B, E, F.
                                                                    16 that F.
18 handkechiefes F.
                                 14 confused B, E, F.
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My Lord of mis-rules cognizances.

[5 M 3. A.] [6 leaf 95, back B.*]

Wearing my Lord of misrules badges.

Sacrifice brought to this filthie Vdol, my L. of mis-rule.

¹They have also certain papers, wherin is painted some babblerie or other of Imagery woork, & these they call 'my Lord of mis-rules badges2': these they give to every one that wil give3 money for them to maintaine them in4 their hethenrie, diuelrie, whordome, drunken-5 nes, pride, and 6 what not.7 And who will not be 8 buxom to them, and give them 9 money for these 10 their deuil[i]th10 cognizances, they are 11 mocked & flouted at 12 13 not a little. 18 14 And fo afford 15 are fome. that they not only give them monie to maintain their abhomination withall, but also weare their badges & cognizances in their hats or caps openly. But let them take heede; for these are 16 badges, seales, brands, & cognizances of the deuil, whereby he knoweth his Seruants and Clyents 17 from the Children of God; And fo long as they weare them, Sub vexillo diaboli militant contra Dominum et legem fuam : they fight vnder the banner and standerd of the deuil against Christ Iefus, and all his lawes. Another forte of fantafticall fooles bring to thefe hel-hounds (the Lord of mif-rule and his complices) fome bread, fome good-ale, fome new-cheefe, fome olde,18 fome cuftards, 19 & fine cakes 19; fome one thing, fome another; but if they knew that as often as they bring any thing 20 to the maintenance of these execrable passimes, they offer facrifice to the deuil and fathanas, they would repent and withdraw their hands; which God graunt they may!

Spud. This is a horrible prophanation of the fabaoth (the Lord knoweth), & more peftilent then peftilence it felf. but what? be there any 21 abuses in their May-games like vnto these?

[21 leaf 94. B.†] [23 M 3, back. A.]

22 23 Philo. As many as in the other. The order of them is thus:

¹ Then for the further innobling of this honorable Lurdane (Lorde I should saie) added in B, E, F. ² or Cognizances added in F.

⁵ giue them F. ⁴ in this B, E, F.

* leaf 93, back. The Lord of Misrules cognizance. B.

7 els added in F.

8 shewe hym self B, E, F.

9 them not in F.

10—10 the deuilles B, E, F.

11 shall be B, E, F.

12 at not in F.

13—13 shamefully B, E, F.

Yea, and many times carried vpon a Cowlstaffe, and diued ouer head and eares in water, or otherwise most horriblic abused added in F. 15 assotted F, 16 are the B, E, F. 17 vassals F. 18 olde cheese B, E, F.

16 are the B, E, F.

17 vassals F.

18 olde cheese B, E, F.

19—18 some cakes, some flaunes, some Tartes, some Creame, some meate B,

E, F (but F begins with some Cracknels.)

20 thing not in B, E, F.

† leaf 94. The order of Maie games. B.

22 B, E, F make a fresh chapter here, with the heading :- The maner of Maiegames in England.

Against May 1, Whitsonday, or 2 other time, 8 all the yung men and maides, olde men and wives, run gadding over night to the woods, The order of groues,3 hils, & mountains,4 where they spend all the night in plesant games. pastimes; & in the morning they return, bringing with them birch⁵ & branches of trees, to deck their affemblies withall. and no meruaile, for there is a great Lord present amongst them, as superintendent and Lord ouer their pastimes and sportes, namely, Sathan, [* side-note here in B.] prince of hel. But the 6 cheifest iewel they bring from thence is their May-pole, which they bring home with great veneration, as thus. They have twentie or fortie yoke of Oxen, euery Oxe having a fweet nose-gay of flouers placed on the tip of his hornes; and these Oxen drawe home this May-pole (this stinking Ydol, rather) which is therof. couered all ouer with floures and hearbs, 10 bound round about with [10 leaf 94, back, B,1] strings from the top to the bottome, and sometime 11 painted with variable colours, with two or three hundred men, women and children, The manner following it with great deuotion. And thus beeing reared vp with handkercheefs and flags houering 12 on the top, they straw the ground rounde 13 about, binde green boughes about it, fet vp fommer haules, bowers, and arbors hard by it; And then fall they to 14 daunce about it, like 15 as the 16 heathen people did at the dedication of the 17 Idols, [16 M 4. A.] wherof this is a perfect pattern, or rather the thing it felf. I have May-poles a heard it credibly reported (and that viua voce) by men of great grauitie 18 hethen Ydols. and reputation, that of fortie, threefcore, or a hundred maides going to the wood ouer night, there have scaresly the third part of them returned home againe vndefiled. These be the frutes which these The frute of cursed pastimes bring foorth. 19 Neither the 20 Iewes, the 21 Turcks,

* A great Lord uperintendent

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1 day added in F.
                                          <sup>2</sup> or some B, E, F.
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3-3 of the yeare, euery Parishe, Towne, and Village assemble themselues together, bothe men, women, and children, olde and yong, euen all indifferently: and either goyng all together, or deuidyng themselues into companies, they goe some to the Woodes and Groues, some to the B, E, F.

4 some to one place, some to another, added in B, E, F.

⁵ bowes added in B, E, F. 6 their B, E, F.

8 May not in F. 9 tyed E, F.

† leaf 94, back. The fruictes of Maie games. B.

12 streaming B, E, F. 11 sometimes F. 13 round not in B. E.

14 banquet and feast, to leape and added in B, E, F.

16 like not in B, E, F. 17 their B, E, F. 18 credite added in F. 19 Assuredly I thinke added in B, E, F. 20 the not in B, E, F.

21 nor B, E, F.

Sarafins, nor Pagans, nor any other nations, how wicked or barbarous foeuer, have ever vsed such deuilish exercises as these; nay, they would have been ashamed once to have named them, much lesse have weed them. Yet wee, that would be Christians, think them not amisse. The Lord forgive vs, and removue them from vs!

Spud. What is the manner of their church ales, which you tay they vie; for they feem vnicouth and straunge to mine eares?

The Manner of Church-ales in Ailgna.

[5 M 4, back. A.]

[4 leaf 95. B.*]

5 Philoponus.

The manner of Church-ales in Ailg[na].

The manner of them is thus: In certaine Townes where drunken Bachus beares all 6 the sway, against a 7 Christmas, an 8 Easter, Whit-sonday, or some other time, the Church-wardens (for so they call them) of energy parish, with the consent of the whole Parish, prouide half a score or twenty quarters of mault, wherof some they buy of the Church-stock, and some is given them of the Parishioners them selves, energy one conserring somewhat, according to his abilitie; which mault, beeing made into very strong ale or beere, it 9 is set to sale, either in the Church, or 10 some other place assigned to that purpose.

Then, when the ¹¹ Nippitatum, this Huf-cap (as they call it) and this nectar of lyfe, is fet abroche, well is he that can get the soonest to it, and spend the most at it; for he that sitteth the closest to it, and spends the most at it, he is counted the godliest man of all the rest ¹²; but who either ¹³ cannot, ¹⁴ for pinching pouertie, ¹⁴ or otherwise, ¹⁵ will not stick to it, he is counted one destitute bothe of vertue and godlynes. In so much as you shall have many poor men make hard shift for money to spend ther ¹⁶ at, ¹⁷ for it ¹⁸ beeing put into this Corban, they are perswaded it is meritorious, & a good service to God. In this kinde of

The filthiest beast, the godlyest man.

[16 leaf 95, back. B.†]

> 2 to haue B, E. 3 them farre F. 1 people B, E, F. leaf 95. Church-ales in Ailgna. B. 6 all not in B; all the not in E, F. 7 a not in B, E, F. 10 or in F. 11 this B, E, F. ⁸ and B, E, F. 9 it not in B, E, F. 12 and most in Gods fauour, because it is spent vpon his Church forsoth added 14-14 not in B, E, F. in B, E, F. 13 either for want B, E, F. 15 for feare of God's wrath added in E, F. † leaf 95, back. Churchale money bestowed. B

¹⁷ and good reason added in B, E, F. ¹⁸ it not in B, E, F.

practife they continue fix weeks, a quarter of a yeer, yea, half a yeer togither, fwillling and gulling, night and day, till they be as drunke [M 5. A.] as Apes,2 and as 3 blockish as beasts.3

Spud. Seeing they have fo good vtterance, it should seeme they haue good gaines. But, I pray you, how doe they bestowe that money which is got therby?

Philo. Oh! well, I warent you, if all be true which they fay: For they repaire their Churches and Chappels with it; they buy bookes for seruice, cuppes for the celebration of the Sacrament, surplesses for Sir Ihon, and fuch other necessaries; And they maintaine other How the extraordinarie charges in the 4 parishes befydes. These be their 5 exceptions, these be their be excuses, and these be their pretended allegations, wherby they blind the world, and conueigh themselues away in uisibly in a clowd. But if they daunce thus in a net, no doubt they will be espied.

For if it wer so that they bestowed it as they say, do they think that the Lord will have his howse build with drunkennesse, gluttony, and fuch like abhomination? Must we do euill that good may come of it? must we build this house of lyme and stone with the desolastion and atter ouerthrow of his spirituall howse, clensed and washed in the preciouse blood of our Sauiour Iesus Christ? But who seeth not of earlist that they bestow this money vpon nothing lesse than in building and [8 leaf 96. B.1] repayring of Churches 10 and Oratories? For in most places lye they [10 M 5, back. not like fwyn coates? their windowes rent, their dores broken, their walles fall 11 downe, the 12 roofe all bare, and what not out of order? Who feeth not the booke of God, rent, ragged, and all betorn,18 couered in dust, so as this Epitaphe may be writ with ones finger vppon it, ecce nunc in puluere dormio? (Alas!) behold I sleep in dust and oblyuion, not once scarse looked vppon, much lesse red vpon, 14 and the 15 least of all preached vppon. And, on the other side, who feeth not (for 16 this I speak but 17 in way of parenthefis 17) in the meane

Wil the Lord build with

The decay of which are lacer

Sumpteousnes of their owns mansions

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<sup>3</sup> Rattes B, E; Swine F.
                                                    -3 mad as March Hares F.
4 their B, E, F.
                             -5 golden reasons, these bee their faire B, E, F.
       <sup>6</sup> pretensed B, E.
                                                           7 builded F.
† leaf 96. The decay of Churches in Ailgna. B.
                                                        - purchased with F.
11 fallen B.
                12 their B, E, F.
                                                                14 on B, E, F.
                                        13 yea added in F.
       15 the not in F.
                                                  16 for not in B, E. F.
                17_17 to a friend, I pray you say nothing F.
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tyme, their owne howses and mansion places are curiously build, and sumpteously adorned: which plainly argueth that they rather bestow this drunken got-money vppon prophane vses and their own priuat affaires, than vpon the howse of prayer, or the temple of God. And yet this their doing is wel liked of, and no man may say black is their eye1: For why? Thei do all things well, and according to good order, as they 2 say; And when time commeth, like good accoumptantes, they make their accoumptes as please themselues.

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[³ leaf 96, back B.•1 Sp. Were it not better, & more consonant 8 to the truth, that every one contributed 4 somewhat, according to his abilitie, to the maintenance of 5 templaries & 6 oratories, 5 than thus to maintaine them by drunken churchales, as you say thei do?

17 M 6. A.1

Churches 8 are to be maintained by mutuall contribution of euery one after his power.¹⁰ ⁷ Philo. It weare muche better. And so we read, the Fathers of the old Testament, every one after his abilitie, did impart some-what to the building and restauration of the Tabernacle which Moyses erected to the Lord; So as in the end there was such aboundance of all things, as the Artificers, consulting with Moyses, were glad to request the People to stay their liberalitie, for they had more than they knew what to do withall. These People made no drunken Churchales to build their edesice 11 withal, notwithstanding their importable charges and intollerable costes. But as their zeel was feruent, and very commendable in bringing to the Church, so our zeal is more than frosen & blame-worthie in detracting from the Church, and bestowing it vpon whordom, drunkennesse, gluttony, pride, and such like abhominations: God amend it!

Our zeal waxen cold and frosen in respect of the zeal of the former world. Spud. How do they folemnife their feaftes and wakeffes there; and what order do they observe in them?

The maner of heeping of Wakesses, and feasts in Ailgna.

[12 leaf 97. B.t]

12 Philoponus.

THis is their order therein: euery towne, parishe, and Village, some at one tyme of the Yeere, some at another (but ¹⁸ so that euery

[13 M 6, back.

- leaf 96, back. Keepyng of Wakesses in Ailgna. B.

 5—5 Temples and Churches F.

 6 contribute B.
 6 or B, E.
- Churges A. 9—9 and instauration E; not in F. 10 this side-note not in F. 11 house of Prayer F. † leaf 97. Keepyng of Wakes in Ailgna. B.

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1 towne, parish, & village 1 keep 2 his proper day assigned and appropriat to it self, (which they call their Wak day) vse to make great preparation and ordenaunce for good cheer. To the which all their Freends and kyns-folks, farre and neer, are inuited, wher is fuch gluttony, fuch Saturitie in drunkennesse, such saturitie⁵ and impletion vsed, as the like was neuer feen: In so muche as the poore men that beare the charges of these feafts and wakeffes, are the poorer, and keep the Worfer howfes a long tyme⁶ after. And no marueil, for manie spend more at one of these wakefies than in all the whole yeer befides. This makes many a one The great to thripple & pinch, to runne into debte and daunger, and finallie brings many a one to vtter ruine and decay.

Spud. Wold you not have one freend to visite another at certen tymes of the yeer?

Philo. I disalowe it not, but much commend it. But why at one determinat day more than at another (except busines vrged it); why should one and the same day continue for euer, or be distinct from other dayes by the name of a wake day? why should there be more excesse of meats and drinks at that day than at another⁸? why should they abstaine from bodely labor 9.ij. or three dayes after, peraduenture [9 leaf 97, back the whole week, spending it in drunkennesse, whordome, gluttony, and other filthie Sodo¹⁰miticall exercyfes.

Against wakes

[20 M 7]

Spud. Seeing you allowe of one Freend to visite another, would you not have them to congratulat their comming with some good cheer?

Philo. Yes, truely; but I allowe not of fuch excesse of ryot & superfluitie as is there vsed. I thinke it convenient for one Freend to visite another (at sometimes) as oportunitie & occasion shall 11 offer it felfe 11; but wherfore shuld the whole towne, parish, village, and cuntrey keepe one and the fame day, and make fuch gluttonous feafts as they doo? And therfore, 12 to conclude, 12 they are to no end, except it be to draw a great 18 frequencie of whores, drabbes, 14 theiues, and verlets together, to maintaine whordome, bawdrie, gluttony, drunken-

feasts do very

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3 vseth F.
1-1 one B, E, F.
                          <sup>2</sup> keeps F.
                                                               4 prouision E, F.
                      <sup>6</sup> yeare F.
                                         7 prefixed F.
                                                               <sup>8</sup> any other E, F.
fulnesse F.
                † leaf 97, back. The fruictes of Wakesses. B.
     11-11 bee offered F.
                                           12-12 in my opinion B, E, F.
13 a great not in E, F; frequencie of not in F. 14 drabbes not in B, E, F.
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nesse, thieste, murther, swearing, and all kind of mischief and abhomination; For these be the ends wherto these feastes and wakesses doo tende.1

Spud. From whence sprang these feasts and wakesses first of all; can you tell?

From whence these annuall feasts and ning. [3 leaf 98. B.+] [7 M 7, back]

Philo. I cannot tell, except from the Paganes and heathen People, who, whan they were assembled together, and had offred Sacrifices to their wodden² Goddes, and blockish ydols, made feasts and banquets together before them, in ho3nour and reuerence of them, fo4 appointed the same yeerly to be observed in 5 memoriall of the same 6 for ever. But whence 7 soeuer they had their exordium,8 certen it is the deuill was the Father of them, to drown vs in perdition, and destruction of body and foule: which Gop forefend 10!

Sp. As I remember, you spoke 11 of dauncing before, inferring that the fabaoth is 12 greatly prophaned therby: whereof, I pray you, show mee your iudgement.

The horrible Vice of pestiferous dauncing, vsed 13 in Ailgna.

Philoponus.

DAuncing, as it is vsed (or rather abused) in these daies, is an introduction to 14 whordom, a preparative to wantonnes, a provocative to vncleanes, & an introite 15 to al kind of lewdenes, rather than a pleasant exercyse to the mind, or a holsome practise for the body 16: yet 17, notwithstanding, in Ailg[na] both men, wemen, & children, are so skilful in this laudable science, as they maye be thought nothing inferiour to Cynædus, the 18 prostitut ribauld, nor yet to Sardanapalus, that effeminat varlet. Yea, thei are not ashamed to erect scholes of dauncing,

Scholes of dauncing erected.

1 as farre as ever I could judge added in B, E, F, but E, F, have learne for iudge: F then adds: -& the best fruits that they bring foorth.

² false F. † leaf 98. Dauncyng in Ailgna. B. 4 and so B, E, F. ⁵ in a F.

• them for the same B, E, F. ⁸ original F. seeking thereby to F.

12 was B, E, F. 10 remoue farre from vs F. 11 spake B, E, F. 13 not in F. 14 all kind of added in F. 15 entrance F.

16 (as some list to cal it) added in B, E; (as some would have it). And F. 17 And yet, E. 18 that B, E, F.

thinking it an ornament to their children to be expert in this noble science of heathen diuelrie: and yet this people 1 glory of their christianitie & integritie of alife. Indead, verbo tenus Christiani boni vocitentur, But vita et moribus Ethnicis et paganis peiores reperientur4: From the mouth outward they may be faid to be good Christians, but [5 sign. M S. A.] in life & maners farre worfer than the heathen or Paganes. Wherof if they repent not & amend, it shalbe easier for that and of Sodoma and Gemorra at the day of judgement, then for them.

Spud. I have heard it faid, that dauncing is both a recreation for the minde, & also an exercyse for the body, very holsome; and not only that, but also a meane wherby loue is acquired.

Ph. I will not much denie but being vsed in a meane, in tyme and Dauncing a place conveniente, it is a certex solace to the minds of such as take pleasure in such vanities; but it is no good reason to say, some men take pleafur in a thing, ergo, it is good, but the contrarie sis true rather 8: For this is 9 (bafis 10 veritatis) a ground of 11 truth, 9 that what soeuer a carnall man, with vncircumcifed heart, either defireth or taketh pleasure in, is most abhominable & wicked before god. As, on the other fide, what the spiritual man regenerat, & borne anew in Christ, by the direction of God his spirit, defireth or taketh delight in, is good, and according to the will of God: And seeing mans nature is too procliue 12 of it selfe to finne, it hath no need of allurements & allections 13 to 14 fin (as dauncing is) but rather of restraints & inhibitions 15 from the [4 leaf 99. B. 1] same, which are not there to be found. For what clipping, what culling, what kiffing and buffing, what 16 smouthing & slabbering one [16 M8,back. A.] of another, what filthie groping and vncleane handling is not practifed euery wher in these dauncings? yea, the very deed and action it felfe, which I will not name for offending chaft eares, shall be purtrayed and shewed 17 foorth in their bawdye gestures of one to another. All which, whither they blow vp Venus cole or not, who is so blind

1 forsooth added in F.

• leaf 98, back. Dauncyng, an allurement to sinne. B. ³ deteriores F. 4 inueniantur B, inuenientur E.

the B, E, F. 8_8 is rather true B, E, F. or recreation added in B, E, F.

10 basis et fundamentum B, E. 9-9 a maxime F. 11 or foundation of B, E; E has and for or. 13 prone F.

13 enticementes F. † leaf 99. Dauncyng, a corrosiue. B. 15 to stay him added in F.

17 shadowed F.

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Dauncing no recreation, but] a corrosiue to a good Christian.

The onely thing wherin a good chris-tian doth delight.

[4 leaf 99, back. B, †]

Dancing no holsom exer

What looue dancing pro-

that feeth not? wherfore, let them not think that it is any recreation (which word is abufiuely vsed to expresse the ioyes or delightes of the mind, which fignifieth a making againe of that which before was made,) to the mind of a good Christian, but rather a corrosiue 1 most sharp and nipping. For seing that it is euill in it self, it is not a thing wherin a Christian Mans heart may take any 2 comfort. The onely 3 fummum bonum, wherin a true Christians heart is recreated and comforted, is the meditation of the passion of Iesus Christ, the effusion of his blood, the remission of sins, and the contemplation of the inestable ioyes and beatituds after this life, prepared for the faithfull in the blood of Iesus Christ. This is the only thing wherin a Christian man ought to reioyfe and take delight in, all other pleasures & delights of this lyfe fet a parte as amarulent 4 and bitter, bringing foorth fruit to eternall destruction, but the other to eternall lyfe. And wheras they [6 sign. N z. A.] conclude it 5 is a hole forme exercise for the bodie, the contrary is moste true; for I have knowen divers, by the immoderate vse therof, have in short time become decrepit and lame, so remaining to their dying day. Some haue broke their legs with skipping, leaping, turning, and vawting, and fome haue come by one hurt, fome by another, but neuer any came from thence without some parte of his minde broken and lame; fuch a wholfome exercise it is! But, say they, it induceth looue: fo I say also; but what looue? Truely, a lustful loue, a venereous looue, a concupiscencious, baudie, & beastiall looue, such as proceedeth from the stinking pump and lothsome (fink)of carnall affection and fleshly appetite, and not such as distilleth from the bowels of the hart ingenerat by the spirit of God.

Wherfore I exhort them, in the bowels of Iesus Christ, to eschue not only from euil, but also from all apperance of euil, as the Apostle willeth them, proceeding from one vertue to another; vntil they growe to 8 perfect men in Christe Iesus, knowing that we must give accounts at the day of 9 iudgment of euery minut and iote of time, 10 from the day 11 of our birth to the time 12 of our death: for there is nothing more precious then time, which is given vs to glorifie God in 13

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any pleasure or F.
                                                              3 enely A.
   1 corrasiue F.
           † leaf 99, back. Dauncyng vnholsome for the body. B.
                                                    7 that by B, E, F.
     5 that it E, F.
                                10 that is lent us in this life added in E, F.
               of of F.
   to bee F.
                                                      13 by B; in, by E, F.
11 first day B, E, F.
                          12 last houre B, E, F.
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good-woorks, and not to spend in luxurious exercises 1 after our owne fantafies and delights.

Spud. But I have heard them affirme that dauncing is provable? [1 leaf 100. B.] by the woord of God; for (fay they) did not the women come foorth of all the Cities of Israel to meet king Saule? and David, returning Bible examples from the flaughter of Goliath, with pfalteries, flutes, tabrets, Cymbals, 2 Sa. 18. and other muficall Inftruments, dauncing & leaping before them? Exo. 15. Did not the Ifraelites, having passed over the red sea, bring foorth their Instruments, and danced for joy of their deliuerance?

Againe, did they not daunce before the golden Calf, which they had made in Horeb or Sinai? Did not king Dauid daunce before the Ark of the Lord? Did not the Daughter of Iephtah daunce with 2 Sa. 6. tabret and harp at the return of her Father from the Feeld? Did not the women of the Israelits dance comming to visit good Iudith? Iudic. 22. Did not the Damsel dance before King Herod? Did not Christ Indic. 15. blame the people for their not dancing when he faid, wee haue pyped vnto you, but you have not daunced?

Saith not Salomon, 'there is a time to weep, and a time to laughe, a Eccle. 3. time to mourne, and a time to daunce?'

And dooth not the Prophet Dauid, in many places of his Psalmes, commend and commaund dauncing, and playing vpon Instruments of Mufick?

⁵ Wherfore (for thus ⁶ they conclude) feeing these holy Fathers [⁵ sign. N s. A.] (wherof some were guided by the instinction of 8 God his 8 Spi⁹rit) [9 leaf 100, back. B. f] haue not only taught it in doctrine, but also expressed it by 10 their Examples of life, who may open his mouth once to speake against it?

Philo. The Fathers, as they were men, had their errors, and erred as men, for Hominis est errare, decipi et lali: it is naturall for man to No man witherre, to be deceived & to slide from the trueth. Therfore the Apostle faith, follow mee'in all things as I follow Christ; but to the intent that they, who perpend 11 the Examples of the Fathers and 12 Scripture falfly 12 wrested to maintaine their deuilish dauncings withall, may see their owne impietie & groffe 18 ignorance discouered, I wil compendi-

• leaf 100. Testimonies in the behalf of dancing. B. ³ probable E, F. 4 and also king E, F. 8_8 Gods F. this E, F. 7 instinct F. † leaf 100, back. None withoute errours. B. 10 in B, E, F. 11 pretende E, F. 12-12 Scriptures fasly (sic) F. 13 not in F. • We must res der accounts for time heer lent vs. [" N z, back]

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ously set down the true sence and meaning of every place, as they have

r Sa. r8.

The first pillare of dauncing ouerthrowen.

[N 2, back. A.]

No good cossequent to say others did so, ergo it is good, or wee may doo the like. [3 leaf ror. B.*]

his woord.

cyted them perticulerly. For the first, wheras they say that the Women came foorth in daunces with timbrels and Instruments of Ioy to meet Dauid and Saule, I aske them for what cause they did so? Was it for wantonnes, or for very ioye of hart for their Victorie gotten ouer the Philistines, their sworne Enemies? Was it in prayse of God, or to stirre vp filthie lust in them selues, or for nicenes onely, as our daunces bee? Did men and women daunce togither, as is now vsed to be doon? or rather was it not doon amongst women only? for so saith the text, the women came foorth, &c. But admit it were neither so, nor so, wil they conclude a generall rule of a particuler example? it is no good reason to say, such and such did so, therfore it is good, or we may doo so; but all things are to be poysed in the balance of holy scripture, and therby to be allowed or disalowed, according to the meaning of the holy Ghost, who is only to be heard and obeyed in

had killed their deadly enemie Goliath, came foorth to meet him, playing vpon instruments, dancing, & singing songs of ioye and thanks-giuing to the Lord, who had given them victorie, and delivered them from the deadly hostilitie of him who sought their distruction every way. Now, what maketh this for our leud, wanton, nice and vbiquitarie dauncings,—for so I may call them because they be vsed every where,—let the godly iudge. who seeth not rather that this example (let Cerberus the dog of hel alarrate what he list to the contrary) clean overthroweth them. Theirs was a godly kind of dancing in praise of God; ours, a lustful, baudie kinde of deamenour in praise of our selves: theirs, to shew their inward ioy of minde for the blessings of God bestowed vpon them; ours, to show our activitie, agilitie and curious nicitie, and to procure lustful loove and such like wickednes infinit. But to their second allegation: the Children (say they) of Israel danced, being delivered out of the

The Israelitish women, hearing of the fame of Dauid, and how he

The difference between the dances of our Forefathers and ours

[8 sign. N 3. A.]

Their second Pillar shaken.

[¹⁰ leaf 101, back. B.†] feruitude of *Pharo*, and hauing paf¹⁰fed ouer the red fea. I graunt

1 against F.

• leaf 101. Euil examples not to be followed. B.

• their God added in F.

6—5 and all other hel-houndes barke what thei B, E, F.
6 dauncing F.
7 blessing F.
9 they say F.

† leaf 101, back. The Israelites Daunces. B.

they did so, and good cause they had so to doo; For were they not emancipate 1 and let free from three great calamities and 2 extreame miseries? First, from the seruile bondage of Egipt; from the swoord of Phare, who purfued the rereward of their hofte; and from the danger3 of the red sea, their enemies beeing ouer-whelmed in the fame.

For these great and inestimable benefits and blessings, received at the hands of God, they played vpon Instruments of musick, leaped, daunced, and fung 4 godly fongs vnto the Lord, shewing by these outward gestures the inward ioy of their harts and mindes. Now, what conduceth this for 5 the allowance of our luxurious dauncings? Is it not directly against them? They danced for ioy in thanks 6 to god, wee for vainglorie: they for looue to God, wee for looue of our d felues: they to shew the interior ioy of the minde for 7 God his blessing heaped vpon them; we to shew our concinitie, dexteritie and vain curiofitie in the same; they to stir vp and to 8 make them selves the apter to praise God; we to stir vp carnall appetites and sleshlie [N 2, back, A.] motions: they to shewe their humilitie before God; and we to shew our pride both before God and the world. But how so ever it be, fure I am, their dauncing was not like oures, confisting in meafures, capers, quauers, & I cannot tel what, for thei had no fuch leasure in E¹⁰gipt ¹¹ to learne such vaine curiosity in that lustfull ¹² bawdie schoole, for making of brick and tyles. And notwithstanding it is ambiguous whether this 13 may be called a dauxcing or not, at left not like oures, but rather a certen kind of modest leaping, skipping or moouing of the body to expresse the ioye of the mind in trium prayse of God; as the Man did, who, being healed by the power of our Saujour Christe, walked in the Temple, leapping, skipping & praising God.

1 Egigt A. be called a

We never read that they ever daunced but at 14 fome wonderfull 15 portent or straunge iudgment 15 of God 16; and therfore made 17 not a common practife of it, or a daylie occupation, as it were; much leffe

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1 deliuered F.
                    2-2 extram (sic) miseries at once F.
                                                              <sup>8</sup> daungers E, F.
                            5 to E, F.
      4 sang F.
                                                   thanks-geuing E, F.
   7-7 Gods blessings bestowed F.
                                                        to not in B. E. F.
                                                       18 lustfull not in B. E. F.
† leaf 102. A confutation of dauncing. B.
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¹⁵_15 great blessing F. 13 they E, F. 14 when E, F. 16 was shewed added in E; was bestowed vpon them F. 17 they made F.

Their 3. Reason examined.

fet vp schools of it, and frequenting 1 nothing els night and 2 day, Sabaoth day and 8 other, as we do. But to their 4 third Reason: The Israelits daunced before the Calf in Horeb. And what than? They made a Golden Calf and adored it: maye we therfore do the like? They committed ydolatrie there; therfore is ydolatrie good because they committed it?

[5 sign, N 4. A.]

⁶ Adam disob[e] yed God, and obeyed the deuil: is obedience therfore to the deuil good, because hee did so?

Therfore wee must not take heede what man hath doon heertofore, but what God hath commaunded in his woord to be doon, and that followe, even to the death. But, to be short, as it is a friuilous thing 6 [7] leaf 100, back. to fay, because they committed 7 Idolatrie, therfore may wee doo the like, so it is no lesse ridiculous to say, because they daunced, therfore wee may doo the same; for as it is not lawful to commit Idolatrie because they did so, so is it not lawfull to daunce because they daunced.

> So that if this place inferre⁸ any thing for dauncing, it inferreth that wee must neuer daunce but before a golden Calf, as they did: but, I think, by this time they are ashamed of their dances. therfore of this place I need to fay no more, giving them to note that this their dauncing, in respect of the end therof, was farre dissonant 9 from ours; for they daunced in honour of their Idol, wee clean contrary, though neither the one nor the other be at any hand tollerable.¹⁰

Their .4. Reason.

Their fourth reason: Did not Dauid daunce before the Ark? say they. very true; and this place (as the rest before) refelleth their customarie dauncings of men and women togither moste excellentlie; [11 N 4, back, A.] For 11 Dauid danced him felfe alone, without either woman or muficall Infrument to effeminate the minde. And this dauncing of Dauid was no viuall thing, nor frequented euery day, but that one time, and that in prayse of God for the deliuerie 12 of the Ark of God his testament out of the hands of the Infidels and hethen people: the joy of this holy Prophet was so vehement for this great blessing of God (such [4 leaf 103. B.†] a feruent zeale he bore 18 to 14 the trueth), that it 15 burst foorth into

1 frequented E, F. 2 nor F. 3 nor F. 4 the B. E. 6 reason E, F. leaf 102, back. Dauncyng reproued. B.

⁶ conferre E, F. 9 different F. 12 deliuerance B, E, F. 10 lawfull F. 13 did beare F. † leaf 103. Why Dauid daunced. B. 15 he B, E, F.

¹exterior action, ¹ the more to induce others to prayle God also. Would God we would dance, as Dauid daunced, heer for the deliuerie of his alfauing woord out of the hands of that Italian Philistin & archenemy of all trueth, the Pope of Roome! for in this respect I would make one² to daunce, to leap, to skip, to triumph, and reioyce as Dauid did before the Ark. By this, I trust, any indifferent man seeth, that hy this place they gain as much for the maintenance of their leudes dancings and baudie chorusses, as they did by citing the former places; that is, iust nothing at all, which they may put in their eies and fee neuer the wursse.

Their fift reason: Did not leptath his daughter meet her Father, Their fift Rewhen he came from war, dancing before him, and playing vppon Inftruments of Ioy⁵? Ieptath, going foorth to warre against the Amonites, promifed the 6 Lord (making a rashe vowe) that if it would please of sign. N 5. A.] his Maiestie to giue him victorie ouer his Ennemies, he wold sacrifice the first lyuing thing that shuld meet him from his house. It pleased God that his fole daughter and heire, hearing of her Fathers profperous return (as the maner of the Cuntrey was), ran foorth to meete her Father, playing vppon instruments in praise of God, and dauncing before him for ioye. Now, what prooueth this for their daunces? Truely, it ouerthroweth them, 7 if it be well considered: for first we read that she did this but once, we daylie: She in prayse of God, we in prayles of our felues: she for ioy of her Fathers good successe, we to stere vp filthie and vncleane motions: She with a virginall grauitie, we with a babish 8 leuitie: she in comly maner, we in bawdie gesture. And, moreover, this sheweth that women are to daunce by themselves (if they wil needs daunce), and men by themselues; for so importeth the Text, making no mention of any other her collegues or Companions dancing with her.

Their o.vi. Reason: Did not the Israelitish wemen daunce before Ther. 6. Reason. Iudith, comming to visit her? I graunt they did so: the storie is [Iudith, Ca. 15, B, E.]

Holofernes, opposing himselfe against the Israelits, the chosen

1-1 outward shew of the same F. 3 my selfe added in E. F. 3 lasciuious added in F. 4 citing not in E, F. ⁵ musicke F. † leaf 103, back. Jeptha his daughters daunce. B. * wanton E, F. The E. F.

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people of God, and intending to ouerthrowe them, and to blot out [* N 5, back A.] 1 their remembrance for euer from vnder heauen, affembled a huge power, and befieged them on euery fide.

Iudith cutteth of the head of holofernes.

The Ifraelits, feeing themselves circumvalled,2 and in great daunger on each fide, fuborned good Iudith, a vert[u]ous, Godlye Woman (for without some stratagem or pollicie wrought, it was vnpossible for them in the eyes of the world to have escaped) to repaire to Holofernes, &, by some meanes or other, to work his destruction: who, guided by the hand of God, attempted the thing & brought it happely to passe. For she cut of his head with his owne fauchine,3 wrap⁴ping his body in the canopie wherin he lay, fleepingly⁵ poffest [4 leaf 104. B.*] as he was with the spirit of drunkennesse: this done, the Women of Israell came together, and went to visit this worthing Woman, and to congratulat her prosperous successe with instruments of musick, finging of Godly fongs, and dauncing for ioye in honor and prayfe to God for this great victorie obtained. Now, who feeth not that thefe women fang, daunced, and played vppon instrumentes in prayse of God, & not for any other lewdnes or wantonnes, as commonly the world doth now adaies? This also ouerthroweth the dauncinges of Men and Women together in one companie; for though there was an infinite number of People by, yet the Text faith, there daunced ⁶none but onely Women, which plainly argueth the vnlawfulnesse of it in respecte of Man. And this being but a particular fact, of a sort of imprudent 8 Women, shall we draw it into example of lyfe, and thinke it lawfull or good because they did practise it?

The vnlawfullnes of dauncing of men and women together

[6 sign. N 6. A.]

A custome to daunce in prayse of God.

It was a custome in those dayes, when God had 9powred foorth9 any notable bleffing upon his People, from his Heauenly Pallace, 10 the People, in honour, praise, and thankesgiuing to God for them, 11 would play vppon their instruments, fing Godly Songs, daunce, leape, skip, and triumphe, shewing foorth the ioye of their mindes, with their thankefulnesse to God, by all exteriour gestures that they could deuyse: [12 leaf 104, back. 12 Which kinde of thankefull dauncing, or spirituall reioycing, wold B.1]

³ Faulchone F. ² about added in B, E; compassed about F. ⁵ sleepyng B, E, F. • leaf 104. How dauncyng is vnlawfull. B. ⁸ simple F. 7 men & women together E, F. 11 it E, F. 10 Consistorie B, E, F. 9-9 bestowed F. † leaf 104, back. Dauncyng stirreth vp lust. B.

God we did1 follow, leaving all other wanton dancing to their Father the Deuill!

Their .vij. Reason: Did not (quothe they) the Damosell daunce Ther .7. Reason before Kinge Herode, when the head of Iohn Baptist was cut of? She daunced, indeed; And herein they maye see the fruite of dauncing, what goodnesse it bringeth: For was not this the cause of the beheading of Iohn the Baptist? See whether dauncing styreth not vp lust, and inflameth the mind; For if Herode with seeing her daunce was so inflamed in her love, and ravished in her 2 behaviour, that he promifed her to give her whatfoeuer she wold desire, though it were half of his Emperie³ or Kingdome, what wold he haue beene if he had daunced with her? and what are those that daunce with them hand in hand, cheek by cheek, with buffing and kiffing, flabbering and fmearing, most beastly to behold? in so much as I have heard many impudently fay that they have chosen their Wyues, and wyues their Husbands, by dauncing; Which plainely proueth the wickedneffe of it.

Their .viij. reason: Did not Christ rebuke the People for not Their .8. Reason. dauncing, faying, 'we have pyped vnto you, but you have not daunced'? Luc. 7. They may as well conclude that Christ in this place was a Pyper, or a Minstrell, as that he alowed 4 of dauncing, or reproued them for not [4 leaf 105. B.t] exercyfing the same. This is a Metaphoricall or Allegoricall kinde of speach, wherin our Saujour Christ goeth about to reprodue and checke the styfneckednes, the rebellion and pertinacious contumacy of the Scribes and Phariseis, who were neither mooued to receive the glad tydings of the Gospell by the austeritie of Iohn the Baptiste, who came preaching vnto them the doctrine of repentaunce in mourning fort, neither yet at the preaching of our Sauiour him selfe, breaking vnto them the pure Ambrofia, the Cælestial Manna, the word of life, in ioy7full and gladsome maner.

[7 sign. N 7. A.]

Ihon the Baptist he piped vnto them, that is, he preached vnto them austeritie of life, to mourn for their finnes, to repent, to fast, pray, and fuch like. Our Sauiour Christ he pyped (that is) preached vnto them the glad & comfortable tidyngs of the Gospell, yet at neither of these 8kinde9 of concions8 they were any whit mooued,

1 would B, E, F. 2 Empire B, E, F. + leaf 105. The contumacie of the Iewes, B. and in F. ⁶ that E, F. 8-8 kinds of preachings F.

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exter to imbrace Christ or his gospell: Wherfore he sharply rebuketh! them by a fimilitade of foolishe Children, fitting in the market place and poping vato them that wold not dance. This is the true vadophed sence of this place, which, whether it overthrow not all kinds of level dancing (at lest maketh nothing for them) allowing a et. certen kind of spiritual danneing, and rejoying of the heart vuto God (that I may faspend my owne indgement), let wyse men determine.

Their .ix. Reason: Saith not Salomon, 'there is a time to weep, & a time to laugh, a time to mourn, and a time to dannee '? This place is directly against their visuall kinde of dauncing; For saith not the Text, 'there is a time', meaning forntime, now and than, as the Ifraelites did in prayle to 3 God, when anie notable thing happened vnto them, and not enery dave and howre, as we do, making an occupation of it, never leaving it, vntil it leave vs. But what and if Salomon speaketh here fof a certen kind of spiritual dauncing and reloying of the heart in praise to GoD? This is easily gathered by the circumtrances of the place, but specially by the sentence precedent; (vz. there is 'a time to mourn & a time to dance', &c.) that is, a time to mourn for our finnes, & a tyme to dauace or reioyle for the vnspeakable treatures purchased vnto vs by the death & passion of Iesus christ. How much this place maketh for defence of their nocturnall, diuturnall, wanton, lewde, and lascivious dauncings (if it be censured in the imparciall ballance of true iudgement) all the world may see and6 iudge.

Their vluimum refugium

And now, to draw to an end, I will come vnto their vltimum refugium: That is, Doth not David both commend, and also com-[7 leaf 106. B.t] maunde, dauncing and playing vpon instruments in 7 diuerse of his Pfal.? In all those places the Prophet speaketh of a certen kind of spirituall dauncing and reioysing of the heart to 8 the Lord, for his graces & benefits in mercie bestowed vpon vs. This is the true kinde of dauncing, which the word of God doth allow of in any place, and not that we should trippe like rammes,9 skip like goats,10 & leap like

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• leaf 105, back. Salomons spirituall dauncyng. B.
1 rebuked F.
                                                                 and A.
                                       5 of F.
     3 of B, E, F.
                                                               <sup>6</sup> in B, E, F.
   + leaf 106. Why our feete were given vs. B.
                                                        10 Does F.
             9 Goates F.
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mad men: For to the end our feet were not given vs, but rather to Why our feet represent the image of God in vs, to keep Companie with the Angels, & to glorifie our heuenly Father thorow good works.

Spud. Do you condemne al kinde of daun1cing 2 as wicked and pro- [1 sign. N 8. A.] phane?

Ph. All lewde, wanton & lascinious dauncing in publique assemblies & conuenticles, without respect either of sex, kind, time, place, Person, or any thing els, I,3 by the warrant of the word of God, do vtterly condemne: But that kind of dauncing which is vsed to praise and laud the name of God withall (as weare the daunces of the people of the former world) either privatly or publiquely, is at no hand to be dysallowed, but rather to be greatly commended. Or if it be vsed for mans comfort, recreation and Godly pleasure privatly (every sex diffincted by themselues), whether with musick or otherwyse, it cannot be but a very tollerable exercise, being vsed moderatly and in the feare of God. And 5 thus, though I condemne all filthie, luxurious and [5 leaf 106, back. B.1] vncleane dauncing, yet I condemne not al kind of dauncing generally; For certen it is, the exercyse it self, in it own nature, equalitie & proprietie,6 though to some it is lawfull, to othersome vnlawfull in [Dauncing how dyuerse respects, is both ancient & general, having been vsed euer in all ages, as wel of the Godly, as of the wicked, almost from the beginning. Wherfore, when I condemne the same in some, my meaning is in respecte of the manifold abuses therof. And in my judgement, as it is vsed now a dayes, an occupation being made of it, and a continuall exercyse, 7 without any difference or respect had either to time, [7 N 8, back. A.] Person, sex or place, in publique assemblies and sfrequencies of People, with fuche beaftlie flabberings, buffings 9 & fmouchings, and 10 other filthie gestures & misdeameanors therein accustomed, it is as vnpossible to be vsed without doing of infinit hurt, as it is for a naked Man to lye in the middest of a hote burning 11 fire, and not to confume.13 But these abuses, with other the like (as there be legions moe in it) being cut of from the exercyfe it felfe, the thing 13 remayneth ¹⁴ very commendable ¹⁴ in fome respectes. Or els, if our daunces

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vnlawfull, E, F.]

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nore tollerable B, E, F.

^{· 2} then added in F. 3 I comes after God in F. † leaf 106, back. What dauncyng is condemned. B. -6 and quality F. skissinges B, E, F. 10 with B, E, F. 8-8 great meetings F. 11 glowing F. burne B. E. F. 13 thing it self B, E, F.

Men & wom[en] to dance afunder. The Anatomie

tended, as I have faid, to the fetting foorth of God his glorie (as the daunces vsed in 1 preter time 1 did) to draw others to pietie and fanctitie of life, and to praise and reioyce in God, to recreat the minde oppressed with some agreat toyle or labor, taken in true virtue and godlynes, I would not (being don in the feare of God, men by them selues, and Wemen by them selues, for els it is not possible to be without finne) much gainstand it. But I see the contrarie is every where vsed, to the great dishonor of God and corruption of good maners, which God amend.

Vhy men shold

6 leaf 107. B. 9]

aunce by them-elfes and women y themselfs.

> Spud. And wherfore would you have (Men) to daunce by them felues, and Women by them felues?

5 sign. O z. A.] Why men hold daunce y themselues ind Women by hem-selves.

Philo. Because 5 it is, without all doubte, a 6 prouocation to unft and venery and the fire of lust once conceined (by some irruption or other) bursteth foorthe into open action of whoredome and fornication And therfore a certain godly Father said wel, Omnis saltus in chorea, est saltus in profundum inferni,8 Euery leap, of skip)in dance, is a leap toward hel. Yet, notwithstanding, in Allgna it is counted a vertue and an ornament to a man, yea, and the onely way to attaine to promotion & aduancement, as experience teacheth.

Spud. Notwithstanding, for my further instruction, I pray you showe mee what Fathers and Councels have judged of it, and what they have writ and decreed against it.

11 leaf 107, back. B.+] **Festimonies** of Fathers, counels and Writers against launcing

Philo. If I should ¹⁰ goe foorth to ¹⁰ shew all the inuectives of Fathers, all the decrees of councels, and all the places of holy Scripture against the same, I should never make an end: wher11fore of many I wil select a few, hoping that they wil suffice any reasonable man. Syrach faith, frequent not the company of a woman that is a finger or a dauncer, peither heare her, least thou be intrapped in her craftines. (Chrisostome, dylating vpon Mathew, faith, In euery dance the deuil daunceth by, for companie, though not visible to the eye, yet palpable 12 to the minde. (Theophilus,) writing vpon Mark, the fixt Chapter, faith, Mira collusio saltat per puellam 18 Diabolus: This is 14 a

Eccle. 13. Mat. 4.

> 1_1 former ages F. 2 to the E, F. 3 rejoycying in B, E, F. • leaf 107. Men & women to dance asunder. B. 6-5 otherwise it prouoketh lust, and stirreth vp concupiscence F.

7 This repeated side-note not in B, E, F. ⁸ Cloacæ F. 9 a not in F. 10 _10 not in F. † leaf 107, back. Testimonies against Dancing. B. 13 illam E, F.

12 sensible F.

14 There is B.

wun1derful deceit, for the deuil danceth amongst them for company. [1 0 1, back, A.] Augustine, writing upon the 32. Psalme, saith, it is better to digge all Augustine. the Sabaoth day then to dance. (Erasmus) in his Booke de contemptu Erasmus. Mundi, faith, Whose minde is so well disposed, so stable, or wel settled, which these wanton dances, with swinging of armes, kicking of legs, playing vpon inftruments, and fuch like, would not? ouercome and corrupt? Wherfore, faith hee, as thou defireft thine owne credit and welfare, eschew these scabbed and scuruy companie of dauncers.

(Ludovicus Viues faith, amongst all pleasures, dauncing and voluptuoulnes is the kingdome of Venus, and the empire of Cupid: wherfore, faith hee, it were better for thee to ftay at 8 home, and to break [3 leaf ros. B.º] either a leg or an arme of thy body, then to break the legges and armes of thy 4 minde & foule, as thou dooft in filthie fcuruy dauncings. And, as in all Feasts and pastimes, dauncing is the last, so it is the extream of all other vice. And again, there were (faith he) from Dauncers far cuntries, certain men brought into our parts of the world, who, when they faw men daunce, ran away meruelously affraid, crying out. and thinking them to have been mad. And no meruaile, for who, feing them ⁵ leap, skip, ⁵ & trip like Goates ⁶ & hindes, ⁶ if hee neuer, faw them? before, would 8 not think them either mad, or els possest [3 ign. O 2. A.] with some furie? Bullinger, paraphrasting vpon Mathew 14, saith, Bullinger. After feafting, swilling, and gulling, commeth dancing, the root of all filthynes and vncleannes

Maister Caluin, writing vpon Iob, Ser. 8, Cap. 12, calleth daunc (Caluin. ing the cheefe mischeef of all mischeefs, saying, there be such vnchast gestures in it as are nothing els but inticements to whordome.

Marlorate, vpon Mathew, faith, who loeuer hath any care either of honestie, sobrietie, or grauitie, haue long since bad adieu to all filthie dauncing.

No man (faith a certaine heathen Writer) if hee be fober, daunceth, except hee be mad.

⁹ Salustive, commending Sempronia, that renowmed whore, for Salust. many goodly gifts, condemneth her for her ouer great skil in daunc- [7] leaf 108, back. ing; concluding, that dauncing is the Instrument of lecherie.

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2 not be B.
                            • leaf 108. Dauncyng the cheefest mischeef. B.
4 the E, F.
                         6-5 leap like Squirrilles, skippe like hindes B, E, F.
      6-6 as thei doe B, E, F.
                                                           <sup>7</sup> any B, E, F.
               † leaf 108, back. Dauncyng a world of sinne. B.
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VIVES

Calvir

Cicero faith, a good man would not dence in open affembles, though hee might by it get infinite treature.

The Councel of Landeces decreed that it should not be lawful for any Christian to dance at mariages, or at any followne feast.

In an other Councel it was enacted, that no man should dannee at any marriage, nor yet at any other time.

¹The Emperour Instinues decreed, that for no respect in feasis or affemblies there should be any dauncing, for seare of corrupting the Beholders, and inticing men to finne.

Thus you may fee, bothe Scripture, councels, and Fathers, holy and prophane, heathen and other, even all in generall, have detefted and abhorred this filthie dauncing, as the aquauemire or plash of all abhomination, and therfore it is no exercise for any Christians to followe; for it furreth up the motions of the flesh, it induceth lust, it inferreth bandrie, affoordeth ribaldrie, maintaineth wantonnes, & ministreth oile to the stinking lamp of deceitful pride; and, in fumma, nourisheth a world of wickednes and finne.

3 Soud. Now that the wickednes of it is so manifestly shewed, that no man can denie it, I pray you,4 who invented this noble science, or from whence sprang it5?

dauncing, an SDEALE.

Philo. Hecreof there be fundry and diners opinions; for fome holde an opinion (and very likely) that it sprang from the heathen idolatrous Pagans and Infidels, who, having offered vp their facrifices, ⁶victimats, ⁷ and holocauttes, ⁶ to their false Gods, in reverence of them, and for ioy of their to dooing vsed to daunce, leape, and skip before them.

And this may be prooued by the Israelits themselves, who, hau-[s sign O 3. A.] ing seen and learned the same spractise in Egipt, seared not to imitate the like in the wildernes of Horeb. fome again suppose that Pyrrhus, one of Sibils Preists, deuised it in Creet. Others holde that the Priests of Mars, who in Roome were had in great estimation for their deateritie in dauncing, invented it. Others think that one Hiero, a truculent 10 and bloody Tirant in Sicilia, who, to fet vp his tyrantie the more, inhibited the people to speake one to an other, for feare of

A Supposall who innewted dauncing.

²⁻² quagmire or puddle F.

⁴ shewe me, added in B, E, F.

⁷ victimats not in B.

[†] leaf 109. Who invented Dauncyng. B. 5-5 it sprang F. 6-6 and oblations F. of of F. 10 Turculent F.

infurrections and commotions in his kingdome, was the occasion of the inventing therof: for when the Sicilians sawe that they might not, vnder pain of death, one speak to another, they invented dauncing to expresse the inward meaning and intentions of the minde by outward becks and exteriour gestures of the body; which vse afterward grew into custome, and now into nature. But what soener men say of it, or from whence soeuer it sprang, S. Chrisostom saith plainly (to whom Lwillingly subscribe), that it sprang from the teates of the Deuils breff, from whence all mischeef els dooth flow. Therfore, to conclude, if of the egges of a Cokatrice may be made good meat for man to eat, and if of the web of a spider can be made good cloth for mans body,2 then may 3 it be prooued that3 dancing is4 good, and an exercise fitte for a christian man to followe, but not before. Wherfore God of his mercy take it away 6 from vs!

[6 O 3, back, A]

Spud. What fay you of 7 Musick? is it not a laudable science?

Of Mufick in Ailgna, and how it allureth to vanitie.

Philo.

I Say of Musick as Plato, Aristotle, Galen, and many others have said of it; that it is very il for yung heds, for a certaine kinde of nice,8 fmoothe fweetnes in 9 alluring the auditorie 10 11 to nicenes 12,11 effeminacie.18 pufillanimitie, 14 & lothfomnes of life, 14 15 fo as it may not improperly A comparison be compared to a sweet electuarie of honie, or rather to honie it-self 15; and dancing. 16 for as honie and fuch 17 like fweet things,17 received into the stomack, dooth delight at the first, but afterward they make 18 the stomack so 19 quafie,20 21 nice and weake, that it is not able to admit 21 meat of hard digesture: So sweet Musick at the first delighteth the eares, but after-22 ward corrupteth and depraueth the minde, making it weake and 22 [= leaf 120, B.f]

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• leaf 109, back. Dauncyng vnpossible to be good. B.
                                                          be for is in E, F.
2 body to weare B, E, F.
                                 3-3 not in E, F.
                             7 to F.
                                               8 nice not in B, E, F.
       <sup>5</sup> els E, F.
                                           11-11 to a certaine kind of F.
                        10 hearers F.
   in it B, E, F.
                                  13 and added in F.
 12 niceness not in B, E, F.
                                                            14_14 not in F.
                                                     16 musicke B, E, F.
   15_16 muche like vnto Honey B, E, F.
        17_17 other sweete Conserues B, E; other sweete thinges F.
                                                     19 so not in B. E. F.
   18 maketh for they make B, E, F.
   20 queasie F.
                                        -21 and vnable to receive B, E, F.
                                            23 weake and not in B, E, F.
   † leaf 110. Hurte by Musicke. B.
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Wits dulled by Musick. [* sign. O 4. A. quafie, and inclined to all licenciousnes of lyse whatsoeuer right as good edges are not sharpned (but by whetted vpon softe stones, so good wits, by hearing of soft are rather dulled then sharpned, and made apt to all wanton sinne. And therfore Writers affirme Sappho to have been en musick, and therfore whorish.

Authors of the bringing in of musick. Tyrus Maximius saith, the bringing in of musick was a poyson to all the world.

Clytomachus, if hee euer heard any talking of looue, or vpon⁵ muficall Instruments, would run his way, and bidd farwel.

Plutarchus complaineth of Musick, and saith, that it dootl femenine the minde as pricks vnto vice, then conduce to god spurres vnto Vertue.

Pythagoras condemnes them for fooles, and bequeathes cloke-bag, that measure Musick by sound and eare. Thus yo the indgement of the wise concerning Musick: now indge the you list your self.

Spud. I have heard it said (and I thought it very tru Musick dooth delight bothe man and beast, reviveth the spirit forteth the hart, and maketh it apter 6 to the service of God.

Musick the good gift of God.
[7 O 4, back. A.]
[8 leaf 110, back. B.†]

Philo. I graunt Musick is a good gift of God, and tha lighteth bothe man ⁷ and beast, reviewth the spirits, comfort hart, and maketh ⁸ it redyer ⁹ to serve God; and therfore die bothe vse musick him self, & also commend the vse of it to teritie (and beeing vsed to that end, for mans privat recreation, is very laudable).

Of musick in publique assemblies and conuenticles. But beeing vsed in publique assemblies and private conversed as directories 10 to filthie dauncing, thorow the sweet harm smoothe melodie therof, it estraungeth the mind, stireth vp filt womannisheth the minde, rauisheth the hart, enslameth concurand bringeth in vncleannes. But if musick openly were vsed have said) to the praise 12 and glory of God, as our Fathers vsec

1 queasie F. 3—3 dulled by whetting F. 4—4 And hereof is it
6 of B, E, F. 6 and readier added in F.
† leaf 110, back. How Musicke is tollerable. B. 9 apter 1
10—10 as a Directorie B, E, F. 11 openly follows used in B, E, F. 12

as was intended by it at the first, or privatly in a mans secret Chamber Howm or house, for his owne solace or comfort to drive away the fantasies. & good. of idle thoughts, folicitude,2 care, forrowe, and fuch other perturbations and molestations³ of the minde, the only ends wherto true Musick tends, it were very commendable and tollerable.4 If Musick were thus vied it would comfort man wunderfully, and mooue his hart to serue God the better; but beeing vsed as it is, it corrupteth good minds, maketh them womannish, and inclined to all kinde of whordome and mischeef.5

Spud. What say you, then, of Musitions & Minstrels, who live only vpon the same art?

⁶Philo. I thinke that all good minstrelles, sober and chast musicions [6 sign. O 5. A.] (speking of suche drun ken sockets and bawdye parasits as range the good musita and min-Cuntreyes, ryming and finging of vncleane, corrupt, and filthie fongs strelles. in Tauernes, Ale-houses, Innes, and other publique affemblies.) may daunce the wild Moris thorow a needles eye. For how should their bere chaste minds, seeing that their exercyse is the pathway to all vncleanes.8 Their is no ship so 9 balanced with massie matter,9 as their The marchan heads are fraught 10 with all kind of bawdie fongs, filthie ballads and scuruie rymes, seruing for euery purpose, and for euery Cumpanie.

11 Who be 12 more bawdie 12 than they? who vncleaner than they? who more licentious and loose 18 minded 14? who more incontinent than they? and, briefely, who more inclyned to all kind of infolencie and lewdnes than they? wherfore, if you wold have your fonne fofte, womannish, vncleane, smoth mouthed, affected to bawdrie, scurrilitie, The wickedness filthie rimes, and vnsemely talking; brifly, if you wold haue him, as it weare, transnatured into a woman, or worse, and inclyned to all kind of whordome and abhomination, fet him to dauncing school, and to learn musicke, and than shall you not faile of your purpose. and a filthie speaker, and such like, bring her vp in 15 musick and How to have Children lend in all And if you would have your daughter whoorish, bawdie, and vncleane,

1 and B, E, F. ³ passions F. ² to mitigate F. 4 lawful F. ⁵ vncleannes F. † leaf 111. Good Musitions scarce. B. Baudry & filthines F. "-" laden with merchandize F. 10 pestred F. 11 As for example added in B; For proofe whereof added in E, F. 14 then they added in F. 12_13 baudier F. 13 looser E. F.

[7 leaf 111. B.t]

strelles and

[*5 O 5, back. A.]

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And yet, notwithstanding, it weare better (in respecte of 2 acceptation³) to be a Pyper, or bawdye minstrell, than a deuyne, for the one is looued for his ribauldrie, the other hated for his grauitie, wifdome, and sobrietie.

Euery towne, Citie, and Countrey, is full of these minstrelles to pype vp a dance to the Deuill; but of dyuines, so few there be 6 as they 7 maye hardly be seene.6

But some of them will reply, and say, what, Sir! we have lycenses from iustices of 8 peace to pype & vse our minstralsie to our best commoditie. Cursed be those licences which lycense any man to get his lyuing with the destruction of many thousands!

But have you a lycence from the Arch-iustice of peace,9 Christe Iefus? If you have so, you may be glad; if you have not (for the Worde of God is against your vngodly exercyses, and condemneth them to Hell,) than may you as rogues, extrauagantes, and straglers ¹⁰ from the Heauenlye Country, ¹⁰ be arrested of the high iustice of peace,11 Christ Iesus, 12 and be punished with eternall death,12 notwithstanding your pretensed 18 licences of earthly men. Who 14 shall stand betwixt you and the Iustice of GoD at the daye of Iudgement? Who shall excuse you for draw15ing so manye thousandes to Hell? shall the Iustices of peace? shall their licenses? Oh, no: 16 For neither ought they to graunt anye licences 17 to anie to doo hurt withall; neither (if they would) ought any to take them.

Licences graunted to musitions & minstrels to exercyse ti mistery or facultie of

[15 sign. O 6. A.] No lycences to do hurte withall are to be graunted.

[18 leaf 112. B.t]

A Caucialt to musitions, minstrelles, & all others of that 20 stampe

¹⁸ Giue ouer, therfore, your Occupations, you Pypers, you Fidlers, you minstrelles, and you musitions, you Drummers, you Tabretters, you Fluters, and all other of that wicked broode; for the blood of all those whome you drawe to destruction, thorow your prouocations 19 and intyfing allurementes, shalbe powred vppon your heads at the day of

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• leaf III, back. Licences for Minstrelles. B.
                                             3 the accompt of the world F.
       <sup>3</sup> of worldly B, E.
                   or a F.
                                                   5 of good F.
       6-6 that small skil in Arithmeticke will suffice to number them F.
              <sup>7</sup> any B, E.
                                                  <sup>8</sup> of the B, E, F.
       of peace not in B, E, F.
                                                     10-10 not in B, E, F.
                                                     12_12 not in B, E, F.
       11 of peace not in B, E, F.
    13 presented A, pretensed B, E, F.
                                                              14 Then who F.
 16 It wil not goe for payment at that day added in F.
                                                                   17 licencens A.
   † leaf 112. A Caucat for Minstrelles. B. E has: Cardes, Dice, vnlawfull on
                       19 example F.
                                                          20 twat A.
the Sab.
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of Abuses. Cardes and dice, flaighty theft.

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Iudgement. but hereof enough, and, perchaunce, more than will like 1 their humour.2

Spud. Is it not lawfull vppon the Sabaoth daye to playe at Dice, Cardes, Tables, Bowles, Tennisse, and suche other pleasaunt exercyses, wherein Man taketh pleasure and delight?

Cards, Dice, Tables, Tennisse, Bowles, and other exercyfes vsed vnlawfully in Ailgna.

⁸ Philoponus.

[3 O 6, back, A.]

THese be no Sabaothlike exercyses for any Christian man to follow any day at all, much leffe vppon the Sabaoth daye, which the Lord wold have to be confecrat to himselfe, and to be spent in holy and Godly exercyses, according to his will. As for cards, dice, tables, bowls, tennisse, and such like, thei are furta officiosa, a certen kind of Purta fmooth, deceiptfull, and sleightie thefte, wherby many a one is spoiled of all that euer he hath, sometimes of his life withall, yea, of body and foul for seuer. And yet (more is the pitie) these be the onely [5 leaf zza, back. exercyfes vsed in euery mans howse, al the yeer thorow; But specially in Christimas tyme, there is nothing els vsed but cards, dice, tables, masking, mumming, bowling, & such like fooleries. And the reason is, they think they have a commission and prerogative that time to do All wicked what they luft,7 and to follow what vanitie they will. But (alas!) do they thinke that they are priviledged at that tyme to doo evill? the holier the time is (if one time were holier than another, as it is not) the holier ought their workes 8 to be. Can anie 9 time dispense with No tyme priniledged 10 a them, or give them libertie to fin? No, no: the foule which finneth shall dye, at what time so euer it offendeth. But what will thei say? Is it not Christmas? must we not be mery? truth it is, we ought, both than and at 11 all tymes besides, to be merie in the Lord, but [11 sign. 0 7. A.] not otherwyse; not to swil and gull 12 more that time than at any other time, nor 18 12 to lauish foorth more at that time than 14 at another 14 time.15

1 please E, F. ² daintie humours F. 4 not in F. † leaf 112, back. Al wicked Games vsed in Christmas. B. ⁶ for that they F. 7 list B, E, F. exercises B, E, F. anie not in F. 10 priviledgeth E, F. 13_13 in more then will suffice nature, nor F. 13 not A. 14_14 at any other B, E, F. 15 times A, B, E, F.

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The true keeping of Christians But the true celebration of the Feaft of christman is to meditat (and as it were to ruminat¹) vppon the incarnation and byrthe of Iefus Christ,² not onely³ that time, but all the tymes and daies of our life, and to shewe our selues thankeful to his⁴ Maiestie for the same. Notwithstanding, who ⁵ is ignorant⁵ that more mischiese is that time committed than in all the yeere besides? ⁵ what masking and summing! wherby robberie, whordome,⁵ murther, ⁵ and what not,⁵ is⁵ committed! what dicing & carding, what eating and drinking, what basqueting and feasting is than vsed more than in all the yeere besides! to the great dishonor of Gon, and imponerishing of the realme.

Wickednes is Christmas

[6 leaf 113. B."]

Spud. Is it not lawfull for one Christian to play with another at anye kinde of game, or to winne his monie, if he can?

Philo. To play at tables, cards, dice, bowls, or the like (though a good Christian man will not so ydely and vainely spend his golden dayes) one Christian with another, for their privat recreations, after some oppression of studie, to drive awaye fantasies so and suche like, I doubt not, but they may, using it moderatly, with intermission and in the seare of such good; But to play for lucre of gaine, and for desire onely of his Brothers substaunce (rather than for any other cause) it is at no shand lawfull, or so to suffered.

Valawful for one Christian to play with another to win his money. [11 O 7, back. A.]

For as it is not lawful to robbe, steale and purloine by deceit or slaight, so is it not lawfull to get thy Brothers goods from him by carding, dicing, tabling, bowling, or any other kynd of these; for these playes 14 are no better; nay, worser than open thest; for open thest euery Man can be ware of, but this being a crastie pollitick thest, and commonly don vnder pretence of Freendship, sew or none at all can beware of 15 it. The commaundement saith, thou shalt not couet nor desire any thing that belongeth to thy Neighbour: Now, it is manifest that those that playe for monie, not onelye couet their

(Gamyng worse then open theft E, F.)

| 15 leaf 113, back. R +1

1 in the secrete cogitations of our myndes added in B, E, F.
2 God and man added in B, E, F.
3 at added in E, F.
4 blessed added in F.
6 leaf 113. Great wickenes in Christmas. B.
7 and sometimes added in B, E, F.
8 what no, tis A.
10 or melancholy passions added in F.
11 not at any for at no F.
12 leaf 113, back. Gamyng houses. B.

of Abuses.

Infamy gotten by gaming.

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Brothers monie, but also vse craft, falshood and deceit to wyne the fame.

The Apostle forbiddeth vs to vse deceipt in bargaining, in buying or felling; much lesse than ought we to vse deceipt in gaming.

Our Sauiour Christ biddeth euery man do to an other as he would another should do vnto him. Which rule, if it weare dulie observed, weare fufficient to with [d] raw men both from all kynd of gameing, and also from all kynd of lindyrect and vniust dealing. For as thou woldest not that another man should winne thy money, so thou valawfull oughtest not 8 to defire the winning of his, for thou must do as thou [3 sign. O 8. A.] wouldest be done by.

Spud. If gameing for money be so vnlawfull, wherfore are there howses 4 and places appointed for maintenance of the same?

Philo. That excuseth not the fault, but aggravateth it rather. And truely great pitie it is, that these brothel howses (for so I call all gaming howses) are suffred as they be: For are they not the very feminaries and nurseries of all kynd of abhomination, whatsoeuer heart can thinke, or tongue expresse?

And therfore I marueile, that those who keep and maintaine these gaming howses can euer⁵ haue light hearts, or once to 6 looke 7 vp towards Heauen, that not onely fusfer this manifest thest in their [7 leaf 114. B.t] howses (for gaming is no better) but also maintaine and nourish the

The Apostle saith, not onely they that doo euill digni sunt morte, are worthie of death, but also qui consentiunt facientilus, those who confent to them that do it.

Call to mind, than, what euills come of this wicked excercyse, I beseeche you.

For doth not swearing, tearing, and blaspheminge of the Name of Gon; doth not stinkinge Whordome, Theste, Robberie, Deceipt, Fraude, Cosenage, fighting, Quareling, and sometymes Murder; 9 doth 19 0 8, back. A.) not pride, rapine, drunkn[e]s, beggerye, and, in fine, a shamefull end followe it, as the shadowe doth follow the body? wherfore I will not doubte to call these gaming howses, the slaughter howses, the

1-1 not in F. 4 gamyng houses B, E, F. ⁵ neuer F. † leaf 114. Infamy gotten by gamyng. B.

3 gamening A. 6 to not in B, E, F. • vphold F.

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shambles, or blockhowses of the Deuill, wherin he butchereth Christen mens soules infinit waies, God knoweth: the Lord suppresse them!

Spud. Weare there euer anie lawes made against the inordinat abuse hereof? or haue the Godly in any age misliked it?

Lawes at sauctions diuulgat

Philo. In all ages and times both the godly fober Christians have detested it, and holfome lawes have been promulgat 1 against it.

Octavius Augustus was greatly reproched of the Writers of his time for his great delight in gaming, notwithstanding his manifold vertues besides.

² Cicero obiected to Mareus Antonius his often gaming, as a note of infamie vnto him.

purchased gaming.

The noble Lacedemonians sent their Ambassadours to Corinth to conclud a peace, who coming thither, and finding the People playing at dice and cards and vnthriftie games, returned back again (infecta pace) their peace vnconcluded, faying it should never be reported that they wold ioyne in league with Dice-players and gamesters.

[3 sign. P z. A.]

The same Lacedemonians sent to Demetrius, in derision of his diceplaying, a paire of dice of gold. Sir Thomas Eliot (that worthing Knight) in his 'Book of gouernance' asketh, who will not think him a light man of small credit, dissolut, remise, and vaine, that is a Diceplayer4 or gamester?

Publius saith, Quanto peritior est aleator in sua arte, tanto nequior est, & vita, & moribus: How much conninger a man is in gaming and diceplaying, so much corrupter he is both in life and maners. Iustinian made a lawe that none should play at dice, nor cards, for no cause, neither privately nor openly.

5 Laws against gaming.

> Alexander Seuerus banished all gamesters out of his dominions; And if anie were found playing, their goods were confiscat, and they counted as mad men euer after, neuer trufted nor esteemed of anie.

[6 leaf 115. B.†]

6 Ludouicus ordeined that al gamesters shold depart 7 his land, for feare of corrupting of others.

K. Richard the second forbad all kynd of gaming, and namely dice-playing.

leaf 114, back. Lawes against Gamyng. B. 1 published F. b this side-note not in E, F. 4 Dici-player A.

† leaf 115. Punishment for Gamyng. B.

7 out of added in F.

K. Henrie the fourth ordeined that every Dice-player should be Punishment imprisoned fix daies for euery seuerall time he offended in gaming.

K. Edward the fourth ordeined, who so kept gaming howses should suffer imprisonment three yeeres, and forfait xx. li.1 & the Players to be imprisoned two yeers & forfait .x. pound.

K. Henri the seuenth ordeined that every Dice-player should be imprisoned all a day, and the 2 Keeper of the dicing howse to forfait [P I, back. A.] for every offence vi. shil. viii.d., and to be bound by recognizance to good behauiour.

K. Henrie the eight ordeined that euery one that kept dicing houses should forfait xl. shil., and the Players to forfait vi. shil. viij.d., with many good lawes and fanctions fet foorth against this raging Abuse of gaming; which, 5 to avoid tediousnes I omit, beseching the Lord to root vp and supplant these, and all other stumbling blocks in his church 6 what fo euer.6

Sp. As I remember, in the Catalogue of abuses before, you said, the fabaoth day was prophaned by bearbaiting, cockfighting, 7 hauking, hunting, keeping of faires, courts, & markets, vpon the faid day. Is it not lawful, than, to follow these exercises upon the sabaoth day neither?

[7 leaf 115, back, B.†]

Beare baiting and other exercyfes, vied vnlawfully in AILGNA.

Philoponus.

THese Hethnicall exercyses upon the Sabaoth day, which the [Bearbaiting Lord 10 hath confecrat 10 to 11 holy vses, 11 for the glory of his Name, and our spirituall comfort, are not in any respect tollerable, or to be suffered. For is not 12 the baiting of a Bear, befides that it is a filthie, ftinking, 18 and lothfome game, a 14 daungerous & 15 perilous exercyfe? [13 sign. P 2. A.] wherein a man is in daunger of his life euery minut of an houre; which thing, though it weare not so, yet what exercyse is this meet

3 other added in F. 1 pound B, E, F. 4 statutes F. 6-6 & common wealth F. Least I might seeme tedious F. ⁶ vpon the Sabboth day added in F. + leaf 115, back. Beare bayting. B. -10 would have consecrated B, E, F. Heathnish F. 12 is not not in B, E, F. 11-11 his seruice F. 14 is it not a B, E, F; dangerous and not in F. 15 and a B, E. SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES. 12

fo, loue God, loue his creatures.

No Creature to be abused.

poore beaft to rent, teare, and kill another, and all for his foolish pleasure? And although they 1 be bloody 1 beasts to mankind, & seeke his destruction, yet we are not to abuse them, for his sake who made them, & whose creatures they are. For, notwithstanding that they be euill to vs, & thirst after our blood, yet are thei good creatures in their own nature & kind, & made to fet foorth the glorie? & magnificence of 8the great 8 God, & for our vie; & therfore for his fake 4 5 not to be abused.⁵ It is a [com]mon saying amongst all men, borowed from the french, Qui aime Iean, aime son chien; 6 loue me, loue my dog:

for any Christian? \what christen heart can take pleasure to see one

[4 kaf 116, B.*]

If any should abuse but the dog of another mans, wold not he who oweth the dog think that the abuse therof resulteth to himselfe? And shall we abuse the creatures of God, yea, take pleasure in abusing them, & yet think that the contumely don to them redoundeth not to him who made them? but admit it weare graunted that it weare lawfull to abuse the good Creatures of God, yet is it not lawfull for vs to spend our golden yeers in such ydle and vaine exercyses, daylie and hourelie as we do.

God is abused when his Creatures are

Keeping of mastyues and bandogs. [8 P 2, back. A.]

8 And some, who take themselves for no small fooles, are so farre affotted that they will not flick to keep a dosen or a score of great mastiues and bandogs, to their no small charges, for the maintenance of this goodly game (forfooth); and will not make anie bones of. xx. xl. C.10 pound at once to hazard at a bait, with "feight dog, feight beare (fay they 11), the deuill part all!" And, to be plaine, I thinke the Deuill is the 12 Maister of the game, beareward and all. A goodly pastyme, forsoth, worthie of commendation, and wel sitting 18 these Gentlemen of fuch reputation. But how muche the Lord is offended for the prophanation of his Sabaoth by fuch vnfauorie exercyfes, his [¹⁴ leaf 116, back. Heauenly Maiestie of late hath reueiled, pouring foorth his ¹⁴ heauie B.1]

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2 power added in B, E, F.
  1-1 bloudy bc F.
                          3-3 our B, E, F.
                * leaf 116. Keepyng of Mastiues. B.
  -5 we ought not to abuse them B, E, F.
                                                 that is added in F.
                                             9-9 not in B, E, F.
    7 done to his dog F.
10 yea, an hundred B, E, F.
                                           11 say they not in B, E, F.
                                              18 fitting F.
           12 the not in F.
     † leaf 116, back. A wofull crye at Syrap [= Parys] garden. B.
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A wofull cry at Syrap garden. of Abuses.

wrath, his fearfull iudgements,1 and dreadfull vengeance vppon the Beholders of these vanities.2

A Fearfull Example of God his Iudgement vpon the prophaners of ³his Sabaoth.⁸

ear-House in Sunday, Jan. 13,

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VPon the 13. day of Ianuarie last, being the Sabaoth day, Anno 1583, the People, Men, Wemen, and Children, both yonge and old, an infinit number flocking 6 to 7 those infamous places, where [7 sim. P 3. A.] these wicked exercyses are vsuallie practised, (for they have their courts, gardens, & yards for the same purpose) 8 when they were 8 all come together and mounted aloft vpon their scaffolds and galleries. and in middest of al their iolytie & pastime, all the whole building (not one stick standing) fell down with a most wonderfull and fearefull confusion; So that either two or three hundred men, wemen, and children (by estimation9), wherof seuen were killed dead, 10 some were 10 wounded, fome lamed, and othersome brused and crushed almost to the death. Some had their braines dasht out, some their heads all to fquasht, 11 some their legges broken, some their arms, some their backs, some their shoulders, some one hurt, some another. So that you should have hard a woful crie, even pearcing the skyes, A wofull crie, 12 parents bewayling their children, Children their louing Parents, swyues 18 their Husbands, and Husbands their wyues, marueilous to be- [13 leaf 117 B.f] hould 14! This wofull spectacle and heavie judgement, pitifull to heare of, but most ruefull to behold, did 16 the Lord send 16 down from Heauen, to shew vnto the whole World how greeuously he is offended with those that spend his Sabaoth in such wicked exercises; In the meane tyme, leaving his temple defolat and emptie. God graunt all men may take warning hereby, to shun the same for feare of 17 like or worfer 18 Iudgement to come!

[17 P 3, back. A.]

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• Paris—(F. J. F.)
                       1 iudgment B, E, F.
                                                <sup>2</sup> as hearafter followeth B, E, F.
    3-3 the Sabbaoth daie B, E, F.
                                                             4 last not in F.
               6 there resorted an infinite number of for the E, F.
       6-6 of each sort E, F.
                                                 8-8 and beyng B, E, F.
by estimation not in B, E, F.
                                     10_10 were some F.
                                                              11 quasht B, E, F.
12 this side-note not in F.
                                  † leaf 117. A wofull spectacle at the Theaters.
    14 haue heard F.
                               16 did not in B. E. F.
                                                            16 sent B, E, F.
                               18 sharper B, E, F.
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A fearfull Iudgement of God, shewed at the Theaters.

THE like Iudgement (almost 1) did the Lord shew vnto them a

litle befor, being affembled at their Theaters, to fee their bawdie enterluds and other trumperies? practifed: For he caused the earth mightely to shak and quauer, as though all would have fallen down; wherat the People, fore amazed, some leapt down (from the top of the turrets, pinacles, and towres, wher they flood) to the ground; wherof8 fome had their legs broke, fome their arms, fome their backs, some hurt one where, some another, & many sore crusht and brused; but not any but they went away sore⁵ affraid, & wounded in conscience. And yet can neither the one nor the other fray them from these diuelish exercyses, vntill the Lorde consume them all in his 6 wrath; which God forbid / The Lord of his mercie open the eyes of

the maiestrats to pluck down these places of abuse, that god may be

A wofull

spectacle.

Cockfeight ing vpon the

Appointed times for exercise of dyuelries.

in England.

honored and their consciences disburthened 7.8 Befids these exercises, thei flock, thick & three fold, to the cockfeights, an exercyse nothing inferiour to the rest, wher nothing is vsed but swering, forswering, deceit, fraude, collusion, cose onage, scoulding, railing, conuitious talking, feighting, brawling, quarreling, drinking, whooring; &, which is worst of all, robbing of 11 one an other of their goods, & that not by direct, but indirect means & attempts: & yet to blaunch & fet out these mischiess withall (as though they were vertues) thei haue their appointed daies & fet howrs, when these diuelries must be exercised. They have houses erected to the 12 purpose, flags & ensignes hanged out, to give notice of it to others, and proclamation goes out to proclaim the same, to th' end that many may come to the dedication 13 of this folemne feast of mischief: 14 the

³ whereby F. 1 in effect F. ² fooleries there F. 5 sore B, E, F; store A. 4 another where F. 7 discharged F. + leaf 117, back. Cockfightyng in Ailgna. B. A new chapter-heading follows in B, E, F:-Cockfightyng in Ailgna; F has: - Cockfighting vpon the Sabboth day in England. not in F. 13 celebration F. 11 of not in F. 13 that B, E, F. 14_14 not in B, E, F; A new chapter-heading follows this in B, E:-Hawking and Hunting in Ailgna; F has :- Hauking and hunting vpon the Sabboth day

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Lord supplant them! 14 And as for hawking & hunting vpon the Hawking & fabaoth day, it is an exercyfe vpon that day no lesse vnlawful than the sabaoth. the other; 2 For no man ought to spend any day of his life, much [* leaf 118. B.*] leffe every day 3 in his life,3 as many do, in fuch vaine & ydle pastimes: wherfore 4 let Gentlemen take heed; for, be fure, accounts must be given at the day of iudgement for be every minut of time, both how they have spent it, & in what exercyses. And let them be fure no more libertie is given them to mispend an howre, or one iote of the Lord his goods, than is given to the poorest and meanest person that liueth vpon the face of the earth. I neuer read of any, goods. in the volume of the facred scripture,6 that was a good man and a

[* then to F.1

[12 leaf 118, back, When all man, & wherfore they

Esau was a great hunter, but a reprobat; Is maell a great hunter, [7 P 4, back. A.] but a miscreant; Nemrode, a great hunter, but yet 8 a reprobat 8 and a vessell of wrath. Thus I speake not to condemne hawking and No good hunting altogether, being vsed for recreation, now and than, but acripture. against the continual vse therof daylie, hourly, weekly, yeerly, yea, all the time of their life without intermission. And such a felicitie haue some in it, as they make it all their ioye, bestowing more vpon hawkes and hounds, and a fort of idle lubbers to followe them, in one Cost bestowed yeer, than they will impart 10 to the poore members of Christ Iesus in dogges. vii. yeers, peraduenture, in all the dayes of their life. So long as man in Paradice perfifted in innocency, all beafts what so euer weare obedient to him, and came and proftrated 11 themselves be 12 fore him; But ener fince his fall they have fled from him, & disobeyd him, because of his fin; that feeing he disobeyed the Lord, they again disobeied 18 him. For fo long as man obeied God, fo long they obeied him, but so some as man disobeyed God, they disobeyed him, & becam enemies to him; as it were, feeking to revenge the 15 iniurie which man had don vnto 16 God in disobeying his lawes. Wherfore the cause why all beasts do fly from vs, and are become Enemies to 17 vs, is our disobedience to

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1 day not in E, F.
                              • leaf 118. Hawkyng and huntyng. B.
         3-3 not in F.
                                             4 And therfore F.
        5 of F.
                                               <sup>6</sup> Scriptures F.
       -8 an abiect E, F.
                                                         9 times F.
           10 giue F.
                                              11 humbled F.
† leaf 118, back. Why beastes rebell against man. B.
                                                           13 disobey F.
    15 that E, F.
                               16 to F.
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the LORD, which we are rather to forow for, than to hunt after their deaths by the sheading of their blood.

[* sign. P 5. A.]
For pleasure
sake only no
man ought to
abuse any of
the cretures of
God.

¹ If necessitie, or want of other meats, inforceth vs to seek after their liues, it is lawfull to vie them, in the feare of God, with thanks to his name; but for our pastimes and vain pleasures sake, wee are not in any wife to spoyle or hurt them. Is he a christian man, or 2 rather a ⁸pseudo-christian, ⁸ that delighteth in blood? Is he a Christian that fpendeth all his life in wanton pleasures and plesaunt delights? Is hee a Christian that buieth vp the come of the poor, turning it into bread (as many doo) to feed dogs for his pleasure? Is hee a christian that liueth to the hurt of his Neighbour, in treading and breaking down his hedges, in casting open his gates, in trampling of his corne, & otherwise 4 in prejudicing 4 him, as hunters doo? wherfore God give them grace to see to it, and to mend⁵ it ⁶ betimes ere it be to late: for they know mora trahit periculum, delay bringeth danger. Let vs not deferre to leave the euil and to doo good, least the wrath of the Lord be kindled against vs, and consume vs from of 8 the vpper face of the Earth.9

Hurt by hunting to poore Men. [6 leaf 119. B.†]

Not lawfull to keep cour[t]es Leets, Markets and Fayres, vpp on the Sabaoth day. Spud. What say you to keeping of Markets, of ¹⁰ Fayres, Courtes, and Leetes vpon the Sabaoth day? Think you it is not lawful to vse the same vpon any ¹¹ day?

Philo: No truely; for can you 12 ferue God & the deuil togither? can wee carrie to God, and ferrie to the deuil? can we ferue two [13 P 5, back. A.] Maisters, 18 and neither offend the one nor 14 the other? can wee serue God and Mammon? can wee please God and the world bothe at one time? The Lord wil not be serued by peecemeale; for either he wil haue the whole man, or els none: For saith he, 'Thou shalt looue the Lord thy God with all thy soule, withall thy minde, withall 15 thy power, withall thy strength,' and so foorth, or els with none at all. Then, seeing that we are to give over our selves so wholely and totally to the service of God al the daies of our life, but es-

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or not B, E, F.
cruel Tartarian F.
heaf 119. Fayres on the Sabaoth day. B.
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⁷ the not in B, E, F.

• A new chapter-heading follows this in B, E, F:—Markettes, Faires, Courtes,

and Leetes vpon the Sabbaoth daie in Ailgna [England F.].

10 of not in F.

11 that E, F.

12 we F.

14 nor displease E, F

15 withail A.

pecially vppon the Sabaoth day, being consecrate to that end, [1 loss 129, back, B.*] we may not intermedle with these prophane exercises upon that day. For it is more then manifest that these faires, markets, courtes, Fayres, marand leetes, vpon the Sabaoth day, are not only a hinderance vnto vs [maskets A.] in the true? service of God, and an abuse of the Sabaoth, but also lead vs the path way to hel. For what cosonage is not there practifed? what falshod, deceit, & fraude is not there exercised? what disfimulation in bargaining? what fetting foorth 8 of fucate 8 & deceiuable wares, is not there frequented 4? what lying, fwering, forfwering, drunkennes, whordom, theft, & sometimes murther, either there or by the way thither, is not every where vsed 5? In courtes & leets, what The earls in enuie, malice, & hatred is noorished⁶? what expostulation, railing, fcoulding, periuring, & reperiuring is maintained? 7 what opression [7 sign. P 6. A.] of the poore, what fauouring the 8 rich, what iniustice & indirect dealing? what bribing, deceiving, what poling & pilling is there practifed? it would make a christian hart to bleed in beholding it. And yet, notwithstanding, we must have these goodly pageants played upon the fabaoth day (in a wanion), because there are no mo daies in the week. And heerby 10 the fabaoth is contaminat, 10 Gods woord contemned, his commandements disanulled, his sacraments conculcate, his ordinances neglected, &, 11 in fumma, his blood trod vnder feet, and all mischeef [11 leaf 150. B.f.] maintained. 12 The Lord cut of these, with all other fin, both from their foules and thy Sabaoth, that thy name may be glorified and thy Church truely edified 12!

Spud. Is the playing at football, reding of mery bookes, & fuch like delectations, a violation or prophanation of the Sabaoth day?

Ph. Any exercise which withdraweth vs from godlines, either vpon the fabaoth 18 or any other day els, is wicked & to be forbiden. 14 Now, who is so grosly blinde, that seeth not that these aforesaid exercises not only withdraw vs from godlines & vertue, but also haile & allure vs to

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• leaf 119, back. Fayres on the Sabaoth day. B.
    2 true not in F.
                             counterfeit F.
                                                         4 vsed B, E, F.
                           6 nooirshed A.
                                                6 of the F.
committed B, E, F.
                                                                • the (sic) F.
         10—10 it commeth to passe that the Sabboth is prophaned F.
                 † leaf 120. Footeball playing in Ailgna. B.
   12_12 not in B, E, F. A new chapter-heading follows, Plaining at Footeball
oin Ailgna. o (o-o vpon the Sabboth and other dayes in England F.)
                                               14 forbidded (sic) F.
          13 day added in F.
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184 Great hurt, by Foot-ball play. The Anatomie

Foot-ball a freendly kind of fight,

wickednes and fin. for as concerning football playing, I proteft vnto you it may rather be called a freendly kinde of fight, then a play or recreation; A bloody and murthering practife, then a felowly sporte

P P 6, back, A.] or pastime. 1 For dooth not every one lye in waight for his Adverfarie, feeking to ouerthrowe him & to picke him on his nofe, though it be vppon hard frones? in ditch or dale, in valley or hil, or what

Hurt by foot-ball playing.

[4 leaf 120, back. B.+]

that can ferue the most of this fashion, he is counted the only felow,

place foeuer it be, hee careth not, fo he2 haue him down. And he

and who but he? fo that by this meanes, fomtimes their necks are broken, 3 fometimes their backs,3 fometime their legs, fometime their armes; 4 fometime one part thurst out of ioynt, fometime an other; fometime5 the6 nofes gush out with blood, fometime5 their eyes start out"; and fometimes hurt in one place, fometimes in another. But whofoeuer fcapeth away the best, goeth not scotfree, but is either fore 8 wounded, craifed 9,8 and brufeed, fo as he dyeth of it, or els scapeth very hardly, and no meruaile, for they have the 10 fleights to meet one betwixt two, to dashe him against the hart with their elbowes, to hit him vnder the fhort ribbes with their griped fifts, and with their knees to catch him vpon the hip, and to pick him on his neck, with a 11

Foot-Ball playing a mur-thering Play.

hundered fuch murdering deuices: and hereof groweth enuie, malice, rancour, cholor, hatred, displeasure, enmitie, and what not els: and fometimes fighting, brawling, contention, quarrel picking, murther,

homicide, and great effusion of blood, as experience dayly teacheth. 12 Is this murthering play, now, an exercise for the Sabaoth day? is

[12 sign. P 7. A.]

this a christian dealing, for one brother to mayme and hurt another, and that vpon prepenfed malice, or fet purpose? is this to do to another as we would wish another to doo to vs? God make vs more careful ouer the bodyes of our Bretheren ! 13

Reading of bookes. [14 leaf 121. B.t]

14 And as for the 15 reading of wicked Bookes, they are ytterly vnlawfull, not onely to bee read, but once to be named; & that not (onely) vpon the Sabaoth day, but also vppon any other day; as

3_3 not in F. 2 he maie B, E, F. † leaf 120, back. Great hurt by Foote-ball play. B. 7 of their heads added in F. 6 their B, E, F. 5 sometimes F. 9 craised not in B, E. 10 the not in B, E, F. 8_8 crushed F. 11 an F. 13 A new chapter-heading follows in B, E, F. Readyng of wicked bookes in

Ailgna. [England. F.] † leaf 121. Reading of wicked bookes hurtful. B. 15 the not in F.

which tende to the dishonour of God, depravation of good manners, and corruption of christian soules. For as corrupt meates doo annoy the fromack, and infect the body, so the reading of wicked and vngodly Bookes (which are to the minde, as meat is to the body) infect the soule, & corrupt the minde, hailing it to distruction, if the great mercy of God be not prefent.1

And yet, notwithstanding, whosoeuer wil set pen to paper now a dayes, how vnhonest soeuer, or vnseemly of christian eares, his argument be, is permitted to goe forward, and his woork plaufibly 2 admitted and freendly licensed, and gladly imprinted, without any prohibition or contradiction at all: wherby it is growen to this iffue, that bookes & pamphlets of scurrilitie and baudrie are better esteemed, and more vendible, then the godlyest and sagest bookes that be: for 4 if it [3 P 7, back. A.] be a godly treatife, reproouing vice and teaching vertue, away with it! for no man (almost) though they make a floorish of vertue and godlynes, will buy it, nor (which is leffe) so much as once touch it. This maketh the Bible, the bleffed Book of God, to be fo little efteemed; That woorthie Booke of Martyrs, made by that famous Father & excellent Instrument in God his Church, Maister Iohn Fox, fo little to be accepted, and all other good books little or nothing to be 8 renerenced; whilst other toyes, fantasies, and bableries, wherof the world is ful, are suffered to be printed. These prophane schedules, facraligious libels, and hethnical pamphlets of toyes & bableries (the Authors wherof may 9 vendicate to them selues no smal com- The hurte that mendations at the hands of the deuil for inventing the fame) corrupt bryng E, F.] mens mindes, peruert good wits, allure to baudrie, induce to whordome, suppresse vertue & erect vice: which thing, how should it be otherwise? for are they not invented & excogitat by Belzebub, written by Lucifer, licensed by Pluto, printed by Cerberus, & set a-broche to fale by the infernal furies themselues, to the poyloning of the whole world? But let the Inuentors, the licenfors, the printers, & the fellers of these vaine toyes, and more then Hethnicall impieties, take heed; for the blood of all those which perish, or take hurt 10 thorow these [10 'Q 1', A

[7 leaf 131, back.

the catchword is

⁴ but B, E, F. 1 present not in F. 2-2 received F. 5 that B, E, F. renowmed F.

e leaf 121, back. Hethnicall bookes in Ailgna. B. to be not in F. 9-9 challenge no small reward F.

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wicked bookes, shalbe powred vpon their beads at the day of judgement, and be required at their hands.

Spud. I pray you how might al these inormities and Abuses be reformed? For it is to small purpose to shew the abuses, except you shewe withall how they might be reformed 1

[" leaf 120. B."] (The Laws against Evil Doers are ect.]

Philo. By putting in practife and executing 2 those good lawes, *wholfome fanctions*, and Godly ftatutes, which have beene heretofore, and daily are, let foorth and established, as Gop be thanked, they are manie. The want of the due execution wherof is the cause of all these mischiefs, which both rage and raigne amongst vs.

Spud. What is the cause why these lawes are not executed, as they ought to be?

Philo. Truely, I cannot tell, excepte it be thorow the nigligence and contempt⁶ of the inferiour Magistrates. Or els, perhaps (which thing happeneth now and than), for money they are bought out, diffranchifed and dispensed withall; for, as the saying is, quid non pecunis potest: what is it but money will bring to passe? And yet, notwithflanding, shall it be don invisibly in a clowde (vnder benedicite I speake it) the Prince being borne in hand that the same are *dalie executed. This fault is the corruption of those that are put in trust to fee them executed, as I have tould you, and (notwithflanding) do

(Why the law

Spud. This is a great 10 corruption & 10 Abuse, doubtles, and worthin of great punishment.

Ph. It is so truely; for if they be good lawes, tending to the glorie of God, the publique weale of the Cuntrey and correction of vices, it is great pytic that money should buy them out. For what is that els, but to sell vertue for lucre, Godlynes for drosse, yea, mens [" leaf 128, back. fouls for corruptible mollney? Therfore, those that fell them are not B.†] onely Traitors to God, to their Prince and Countrey, but are also the Deuils Marchants, and 19 ferrie the bodies and soules of Christians, 18 as

(They that buy

1 amended B, E, F.

[•] leaf 122. How to reforme Abuses. B. and in F. 5 there B, E, F. 6 corruption F. 4 Goldy A; Godly B, E, F. 7_7 Pecunia omnia potest, Money can do all thynges B, E, F. 10_10 not in B, E, F. •_ duly excuted (sic) B, E, F. † leaf 122, back. Lawes not executed. B. 12 to B, E, F. 13_13 as much as lieth in them F.

it were, in Charons boate 118 to the Stigian flood of Hell, burning with fire and brimftone for ener.

or sell lawes for itors to God F.]

And those that buy them are Traitors to Gop, their Prince, and Countrey alfo.

For if the lawes were at the first good (as, Gop be praised, al 2 the lawes in Ailgna be), why shuld they be suppressed for money? and if they were euill, why were they diuulged,4 but had rather beene buried in the wombe of their Mother before th[e]y had euer feene the light.

And why were lawes inftituted 5, but to be executed? Els, it were as good to haue no lawes at all (the People lyuing orderly) as to haue good lawes, and them not executed.

The Prince ordeining a law may lawfully repeale & adnull6 the fame againe, vpon speciall 7 causes & considerations, but no inferiour maiestrat or subjecte what so euer, may stop the course of any lawe made by the Prince, without daunger of damnation to his owne foule, as the Word of Gop beareth witnesse.

And therfore, wo be to those men that will not execut the sentence of the lawe (being fo Godly and fo Christian as thei be in Ailgna) vppon Malefactors and Offenders!

Verely they are as guiltie of their blood before God, as euer was Iudas of the death of Christe Iesus.

[9 leaf 123. B.+]

Spud. Seeing it is fo that al flesh hath corrupted his way before the face of God, and that there is fuch abhomination amongest them, [The day of I am perswaded the 10 daye of Judgement is not farre of; For when not far off.] iniquity shall have filled vp his measure, than shall the end of all 11 appeare, as Christ witnesseth in his Euangelie.

Philo. The day of the Lord cannot be farre of; that is most certen; For what wonderfull portents,12 ftrang miracles, fearful fignes, and dreadfull Judgements 13 hath he fente of late daies, as Preachers & fortellers of his wrath, due vnto vs for our impenitence 14 & wickednes of life. Hath he not caused the earth to tremble and quake? the [The wonderfull

1 ouer the Sea of this world added in B, E, F. 2 the most of B, E, F. 3 bought out F. 4 published F. 6 constitute B, E, F. 6 annul F. 6 not in F. † leaf 123. The latter daie at hande. B. 10 that the E. F. 11 all thinges E, F. 12 not in F. 18 tokens F. 14 impenitencie E, F. signes and tokens; which the Lord hath sent to warne v of the daie of iudgement E, F.] [1 Q 2, back. A.]

fame Earth to remooue from place to place? the feas and waters to roare, swell, & brust out, and overflow their bankes 1 to the destruction of many thousands? hath he not caused the Elements and Skyes to fend foorth flashing fire? to raine downe wheat, a wonderfull thing as euer was heard, and the like? hath he not caused wonderfull Eclypses in the Sunne and Moon, with most dreadfull coniunctions of Starres and Planets, as the like this thousand yeeres have not been heard of? haue not the clowdes distilled downe aboundance of rayne and showres, with all kinde of vnseasonable wether, to the destroying (almost) of al thinges vppon the Earth? haue we not seene Commets, blafing starres, firie Drakes, men feighting in the ayre, most fearfully to behold? Hath not dame Nature her felfe denied vnto vs her operation in fending foorth abortiues, vntimely births, vgglesome monsters and fearfull mishapen Creatures, both in man & beast? So that it feemeth all the Creatures of God are angrie with vs, and threaten vs with destruction, and yet 4 we are 4 nothing at all amended: (alas) what 5 shal become of vs! Remember we not there is a God that shal judge vs righteously? that there is a Deuill who shall torment vs after this lyfe vnípeakably, if we repent not? At that day the wicked shall find that there is a Material Hell, a place of all kinds of tortures, wherein there shal be punished in fire and brimstone amongest the terrible Company of vgglesome 6 Deuills, world without end, how light so euer they make account of it in this World.

[3 leaf 123, back. B.*]

[All God's Creatures are wroth with us but we don't mend.

[6 sign. Q 3. A.]

For some such there be that, when thei heare mention of Hell, or of the paines therof in the other World, they make a mocke at 7 it. thinking they be but metaphoricall speaches, onely spoke to terrifie vs withall, not 8 otherwyte. But certen it is, as there is a God that will reward his Children, so there is a Deuill that will remunerat his Seruaunts; And as there is a Heauen, a Materiall place of perfect ioye prepared for the Godly, so there is a Hell, a Materiall place of punishment for the wicked and reprobat, prepared for the Deuil & his [10 leaf 124. B.t] Angels, or els the word of God is in 10 no wyse to be credited; which blasphemie once to think 11, God keep all his Children from !

[9 Materiall hell after this life E, F.]

· leaf 123, back. Gods warninges late shewed. B. 2 seene or added in F. ⁵ that A, B, E; what F. -4 are we F. 7 of F. 8 and not F. • A materiall F. † leaf 124. A reward for good and euill. B. 11 think of F.

Spud. But they will eafily avoid this; for they fay it is writ1, at what time so ever a sinner doth repent him of his sinne, I wil put all his fin 2 out of my remembrance, faith the Lord. So that, if they maye have three words at the last, they will wish no more. think you of these felowes?

Philo. I think them no men, but Deuills; no Christians, but worse (Men who put off 8 than Tartarians8, and more to be avoided than the poison of a serpent; for the one flayeth but the body, but the other both body & foul for euer. Wherfore let euery good Christen Man take heed of them, and auoid them; For it is truely faid cum bonis bonus eris, [4Q3, back, A.] et cum peruersis peruerseriss: with the good thou shall bearne good, but with the wicked thou shall be peruerted.

but Devils.]

Spud. Do you think, than, that that cannot be a true repentance, which is deferred to the last gaspe?

Ph. No, truely; For true repentance must spring out of a lyuelie faith, with an inward lothing, hating, and detesting of sinne. this deferred repentance springeth not of faith, but rather of the feare (No true repent of death, which he feeth imminent before his eyes, of the grief and tediousnes of paine, of the Horror of Hell, and feare of God his ineuitable iudgement, which he knoweth now he must needs abyde. And therfore this can be no true repentance; For there is * two maner of re⁹pentances, the one a true repentance to life, the other a false re-\ \(\frac{1}{12} \) leaf 124, back pentance to death. As we maye see by Iudas, who is faid to haue re- ITwo maners pented, and, which is more, to have confessed his faulte, and, which false repentance, a is most of all, to have made restitution, and yet was it a false-repentance. And why? because it sprang not out of true faith, but as before.

Peter repented and weept bitterly, and was faued therby, though he neither made confession nor satisfaction; and why? Because it sprang of a true and lyuely faith. So these felowes may say they repent, but except it be a 11 true repentance, springing of faith, it can [11 sign. Q 4. A.] ferue them no more to life, than the pretenfed repentance of Iudas did ferue him to faluation.

1 written F. ² wickednes E, F. 3-3 then either Turks or Iewes, or any other infidels whatsoeuer F. 5 peruerteris B, F. shalt F. are E. F. + leaf 124, back. Who are true repentants. B. 10 maner of repentances F.

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Let them beware, for Cain repented, yet is he condemned. Efant did repent, yet is he condemned; Antischus did repent, yet is he condemned; Isalas did repent, yet is he condemned, with infinite moe. And why io? Because their prolonged repentaunce sprange not of faith. Arc.¹

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Thus they may see, that everye light affection is no true repentance, And that it is not ynough to say at the last, I repent, I repent; For vales it be a true repentance indeed, it is worth nothing. But, indeed, if it weare so that man had liberum arbitrium, free wil² of himself to repent truely when he wold, and that God³ promised in his word to accept of that repentance, it weare another matter. But repentance is down Dei, the gifte of God, de fursum veniens a patre luminum, commining from aboue from the Father of light, & therfore it is not in our powers to repent when we will. It is the Lord that gineth the gift, when, where, & to whom it pleaseth him; & of him are we to crause it incertantly by faithfull prayer, & not otherwise to presume of our owne repentance, when, indeed, we have nothing lesse than a true repentance.

[o Q a back A] (i's true and terand repent*Spani. Than, thus much I gather by your words, that as true repentance (which is a certen inward grief and forrow of the heart, conceiued for our finnes, with a hatred and lothing of the fame) [1] erueth to faluation thorow the mercie of God in Christ, so fained repentance faueth not from perdition. And, therfore, we must repent dayly and howrely, and not to seferre our repentance to the last gatpe, as many doo, than which nothing is more perilous.

Philo. True, it is: for maye not he be called a great Foole, that by deferring and prolonging of repentance to the last cast? (as they tay) will hazard his body and soule to eternall damnation for euer? Wheras, by daily repentaunce, he maye assure him selfe both of the sauour of God, and of life euerlasting (by faith) in the mercy of God, thorow the most precious blood of his deare Sonne, Iesus Christ, our alone Sauiour and Redemer, to whome be praise for euer!

1 & of an inward hatred vnto sin, &c, F.
2 and power added in F.
3 God had F.
4 leaf 125. Repentance not to be deferred. B.
5 shall please B, E, F.
6 did not for not to F.
7 the not in F.
9 gasp F.

Spud. Now must I needs say, as the Wyle King Salomon said, all things are vaine and 1 transitorie, and 2 nothing is permanent vnder the Sonne: the workes of men are vnperfect and lead to destruction, at their exercyfes are vaine and wicked altogether.

Wherfore I, fetting apart all the vanities of this lyfe, will from hencefoorth confecrate *my selfe to the service of my God, and to [* sign. R z. A.] follow him in his Woord, which onely is permanent and leadeth vato life.

And I most hartelie thanke the Lord God for your good Company this day, and for your grave instructions; promising, by the asfiftance of God his grace, to followe and obey them to my possible power all the daies of my life.

Philo. God giue you grace so to do, and euery Christen man els, and to avoid all the vanities and deceivable pleasures of this life; for certenly they tread 5 the path to eternal destruction, both of body and foule for euer, to as many as obey them.

For it is vnpossible to wallowe in the delights and pleasures of this World, and to lyue in joy for euer in the Kingdom of Heauen. And thus we, having spent the daye, and also consummates our iorney, we must now depart, beseaching God that we may both meete againe in the Kingdome of Heauen, there to raign? and lyue

with him for euer, through Iesus Christe our Lorde; to whome, with the Father and the holy Spirit, be all honour & glorie for euer more.

Amen.

FINIS.

† leaf 125, back. A Christian protestation. B. s and that F. leade E, F. 4 Lord my E, F. ended our F. ⁷ F then concludes with this line: -God have the praise, both now and alwaies.



sign. R z

¹¶ Faults escaped in printing.

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	[See p. 65, 4th	Spud. I pray you shew me the opinions of the		
	[See p. 65, 41h paragraph]	Fathers, concerning this coloring of faces.		
In F	ix [p. 71]	3 [1. 8]	Antiquities	Antiques 3
In F	xvi	5	pesteruing	peftering
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[In F, a plate covers the page following (R 2, back), with this on the scroll:—Qvel. che. mi. molestava. accendo. et. ardo. This plate is not in B, E.]

1 this page '192' not in F.

² The reader should make this correction. The other references are either wrong, or refer to another copy than that collated for this edition.

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EXTRACTS

FROM

PHILLIP STUBBES'S

Life of his Wife.

1591.



A Christal Glasse for

Christian vvomen.

CONTAYNING

An excellent Discourse, of the godly life
and Christian reath of Mistresse Katherine Stubbes
who departed this life in Burton vppon
Trent, in Staffordshire, the 14 day
of December. 1590.

Eaith a most heauenly confession of the Christian

Faith, which she made a little before her departure:
togither, with a most wonderfull combate betwixt Satan and her soule: worthie to
be imprinted in the tables of euery Christian heart.

Set downe worde for worde as she spake it, as neere as could be gathered, by P. S. Gent.

Reuel. 14. ver. 13.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lorde, euen so saieth the Spirite, for they rest from their labours, and their workes follow them.



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A Christall Glas, for Chri-

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ftian women : wherein they may fee a wonderfull and true example of a right vertuous life and Christian death: as by the discourse following, to

> their further instruction and comfort, it may appeare.



Alling to remembrance (most Christian Reader) the I publish my finall ende of mans creation, which is to glorifie God, and to edifie one another in the way of true godlinesse. I thought it my duetie as well in respect of the one, as in regarde of the other, to publish this rare

and wonderfull example, of the vertuous life, and Christian death, of mistresse Katherine Stubbes, who whilest she lived, was a myrrour of womanhoode, and nowe being dead, is a patterne of true She was of honest and wealthie parentage, and her Her Father, a father had borne office of worship in his companie: he was zealous in the truth, and of a found Religion. Her mother was a Dutch woman, both discreete and wife, of fingular good grace and modestie : and, which did most of all adorne her, she was both religious, and verie zealous. This couple liuing together in the Citie of London certain yeares, it pleafed God to bleffe them with children, of whom My wife, their youngest child this Katherine was yongest saue one. But as she was yongest saue one by course of nature: so was she not inferiour to any of the rest, or rather farre excelled them all without comparison by manie degrees, in the induments and qualities of the mind. At xv. yeares of age At 15 she married me, and livd with (her father being dead) her mother bestowed her in marriage to one maister Stubbes, with whom she lived four yeares, and almost an halfe, verie honeftly and godly, with rare commendations of all that knewe her, as well for her fingular wifedome, as also for her modestie, courtefie, gentlenesse, affabilitie and good gouernment. And aboue

A Christall Glaffe

or ground basels for

She was always asking me to explain texts.

She sufferd no disorder in her house.

She never brawld;

or gossipt.

all, for her ferrent scale which the bare to the truth, wherein the feemed to furnalle matie: lafornach as if the chanced at any time to be in place where either Papitis or Atheits were, and heard them talke of Religion, of what countenaunce or credite foeuer they find A s, tack! feemed to be, the would not yield a lote, nor give place vato them at all, but would mast mightly insists the truth of God, against their blaspemous vntruthes, and consince them: yes, and confound them by the tellimonies of the worde of God. Which thing, how could it be otherwise? for her whole heart was bent to feeke the Lorde, her whole delight was to bee converfant in the Scriptures. and to meditate vpon them day and night : infomuch that you could feldome or never have found her without a Bible, or fome other good booke in her hands. And when the was not reading, the would foend the time in conferring, talking and reasoning with her husband of the worde of God, and of religion : asking him: "what is the sence of this place, and what is the sence of that? Howe expounde you this place, and howe expounde you that? What observe you of this place, and what observe you of that?" So that shee seemed to bee, as it were, rauished with the same spirite that David was, when hee faide: 'The zeale of thy house hath eaten me vp.' Shee followed the commaundement of our Saujour Christ, who biddeth vs to search the Scriptures, for in them you hope to haue eternal life. She obeied the commandement of the Apotile, who biddeth women to be filent, and to learne of their hutbands at home. She would fuffer no diforder or abuse in her house, to be either vareproued, or vareformed. And so gentle was shee, and curteous of nature, that she was never heard to give any the lie, nor fo much as to (thou) any in anger. Shee was neuer knowen to fall out with any of her neighbours, nor with the least childe that lived: much lesse to scolde or brawle, as many will now adayes for euerie trifle, or rather for no cause at all. And fo folitarie was thee given, that thee woulde verie feldome, or neuer, and that not without great compulsion, go abroade with any, either to banquet or feaft, to goffip or make merie (as they tearme it), infomuch that shee hath beene accused to doo it in contempt and disdaine of others.

When her hufbande was abroade in London, or elfewhere, there was not the dearest friend she had in the world that coulde get her

abroad to dinner or supper, or to any other exercise what soeuer: She'd not go to neither was she given to pamper her bodie with delicate meates, wines, or strong drinke, but refrained them altogether. And as she [leaf A 3] excelled in the gift of sobrietie, so she surpassed in the vertue of humilitie. For it is well knowne to diuerse yet liuing, that she vtterly abhorred all kinde of pride, both in apparell, and otherwise. She abhorred She coulde neuer abide to heare any filthie or vncleane talk of talk; fcurrilitie, neither swearing nor blaspheming, cursing nor banning, but would reproue them sharply, shewing them the vengeance of God due for fuch deferts. And which is more, there was neuer one filthy, vncleane, vndecent, or vnfeemly word heard to come forth of her mouth, nor neuer once to curse or ban, to sweare or blaspheme God any maner of way: but alwayes her speach were such, as both glorified God, and ministred grace to the hearers, as the Apostle speaketh. And for her conversation, there was never any man or woman that euer opened their mouthes against her, or that euer either did or could accuse her of the least shadow of dishonestie, so con- livd continently, tinently she lived, and so circumspectly she walked, eschewing ever the outward appearance or shewe of euill. Againe, for true loue and loialtie to her husband, and his friends, she was (let me speake it without offence), I thinke, the rarest in the worlde: for shee was so farre from perswading her husbande to bee lesse beneficiall to his friendes, that shee woulde perswade him to bee more beneficiall to them. If she sawe her husband merrie, then shee was merrie; if hee were fadde, she was fadde; if he were heavie, or passionate, shee would endeuour to make him glad; if he were angrie, she would quickely please him, so wisely shee demeaned her selfe towardes him. Shee woulde neuer contrarie him in any thing, but by wife counfaile, and politike aduice, with all humilitie and submission, seeke to perswade him. And so little giuen was she to this worlde, that some of her neighbours maruayled why shee was no more carefull of it, and would aske her sometimes, saying: "Mistresse Stubbes, why are you no more carefull for the things of this life, but fit alwayes poaring vppon a booke, and studying?" To whome she woulde answere: "If I shoulde be a friend to this worlde, I shoulde be an enemie to GOD: for God and the worlde are two contraries. John biddeth mee, 'loue not the world': affirming, that if I love the world, the love of the father is

sympathizd with her husband, and never crosst

cording to her prophecie, so it came to passe.

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should not live

heasen, and the righteourneile thereof, and then all these worldly things shall be given to me. 'Godimesse is great riches if a man be content with that he hath.' I have chosen with good Martha the better part, which shall never be taken from me. Gods treasure (shee would say) is never drawne drie. I have inough in this life, God make me thankeful, and I know I have but a short time to live here, and it standeth me vpon to have regard to my faluation in the life to come." Thus this godly yong woman helde on her course three or foure yeares after shee was married: at which time it pleased God, that she conceyued with a man childe: after which conception she would say to her husband, and many other her good neighbours and friends, not once, nor twice, but manie times, that she should never beare more children, that that child woulde bee her death, and that shee shoulde live but to bring that childe into the worlde. Which

thing (no doubt) was reuealed vato her by the Spirite of God, for ac-

not in me. Againe, Christ biddeth mee, first seeke the kingdome of

but should die in child-birth.

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Her boy was born,

and she did very

till a burning ague seizd her.

She never slept an hour together for 6 weeks;

but in all her suffering, no impatient word escapt her.

The time of her account being come, shee was delivered of a goodly man childe, with as much speede, and as safely in all womens iudgements, as any could be. And after her deliuerie, the grewe to ffrong and lustie, that she was able within foure or fine dayes to fit up in her bed, and to walke vp and downe her chamber, and within a fortnight. to goe abroade in the house, being throughly well, and past all daungers, as euerie one thought. But presently vpon this so sudden recouerie, it pleafed God to vifite her againe, with an extreame hote and burning quotidian Ague, in which ficknes the languished for the space of fix weekes, or there aboutes. During all which time, shee was neuer feene, nor perceived to fleepe one houre together, neither night nor day; and yet the Lord kept her (which was miraculous) in her perfect vnderstanding, sence, and memorie, to the last breath; prayled bee the Lorde therefore! In all her fickeneffe, which was both long and grienous, the neuer thewed any figne of discontentment, or of impaciencie: neither was there euer heard one worde come forth of her mouth, founding either of desperation, or infidelitie: of mistrust, or distrust, or of any doubting or wavering, but alwayes remayned faithfull, and resolute in her God. And so defirous was fhe to be with the Lorde, that these golden sentenses were neuer

forth of her mouth, "I defire to be disfolued, and to be with Christ." [leaf A 4] And, "oh miserable wretch that I am, who shall deliuer me from this bodie subject to sinne? Come quickly, Lord Iesus, come quickly! She desird to be Like as the heart defireth the water springs, so dooth my soule thirst be with Charles after thee, O God. I had rather bee a doorekeeper in the house of my God, then to dwell in the tentes of the wicked:" with manie other heavenly fentences, which (least I should seeme to tedious) I willingly omit. She would alwaies pray in her fickenesse absolutely, that God would take her out of this miserable worlde: and when her husband and others would defire her to pray for health, if it were the will of God: Shee would answere, "I pray you, pray not that I shoulde liue, for I thinke it long to be with my God. Christ is to me life, and death is to me aduantage. I cannot enter into life, but by death, & and therfore is death the doore or enterance into euerlasting life to me. I knowe and am certainly perswaded by the spirite of God, that the fentence of my death is given alreadie, by the great Iudge, in the Court or Parliament of heaven, that I shall now depart out of this life: and therefore pray not for me, that I might live here, but pray to God to give me strength, and pacience, to perseuere to the ende, and to close vp mine eyes in a justifying faith in the blood of my Christ." Sometimes she would speake very softly to herselfe, and sometimes very audibly, these words, doubling them a thousande times together, "Oh my good God, why not nowe? Why not nowe, oh my good God? I am readie for thee, I am prepared, oh receyue me nowe for thy Christ his fake. Oh send thy messenger death to fetch me, send She prayd God thy sergeant to arest me, send thy purseuant to apprehend me, thy setch ber. herauld to fummon me: oh fend my Iailour to deliuer my foule out of prison, for my bodie is nothing else but a filthie stinking prison to my foule. Oh fende thy holie Angels to conduct my foule into the everlafting kingdome of heaven!" Other fome times she would lie as it were in a flumber, her eies closed, & her lips vttering these words very foftly to her felfe: "Oh my fweete Iesus, oh my loue Iesus: why s not nowe, fweete Iesus, why not nowe?" as you heard before. "Oh fweete Iesus, pray for mee! pray for me, fweete Iesus!" repeating them many times together. These and infinite the like were her dayly fpeaches, and continual meditations: and neuer worfer worde was [leaf A 4 back] there heard to come forth of her mouth during all the time of her

She often smil'd

seeing visions and heavenly sights.

She took leave of her boy, and

bequeatht him to me as the Lord's.

She repented of having been too fond of her little dog.

[leaf B]

ficknesse. She was accustomed many times as she lay, verie suddenly to fall into a fweete fmiling, and fometimes into a most heartie laughter, her face appearing right faire, redde, amiable, and louely: and her countenaunce seemed as though she greatly reioyced at some glorious fight. And when her husband would aske her why she smiled and laughed so, she woulde say, "if you sawe such glorious visions and heavenly fights as I see, you would reioyce and laugh with me: for I see a vision of the joyes of heauen, and of the glorie that I shall go to; and I see infinite millions of Angels attendant vpon me, and watching ouer me, readie to carrie my foule into the kingdome of heauen." In regard whereof, the was willing to forfake herfelfe, her husband, her childe, and all the world besides. And so calling for her childe, which the Nurse brought vnto her, she tooke it in her armes, and kiffing it, faid: "God bleffe thee, my sweete babe, and make thee an heire of the kingdome of heaven:" and kissing it againe, deliuered it to the Nurse, with these words to her husband standing by: "Beloued husband, I bequeath this my child vnto you; he is nowe no longer mine, he is the Lords and yours. I forfake him, you, and all the worlde, yea, and mine owne felfe, and esteeme all things dungue, that I may winne Iesus Christ. And I pray you, bring vp this child in good letters, in discipline; and aboue all things, see that he be brought vp in the exercise of true Religion."

The childe being taken away, she spyed a little Puppie, or Bitch, (which in her life time she loued well,) lying vpon her bed: she had no sooner spied her, but she beate her away, and calling her husband to her, said: "Good husband, you and I have offended God grieuously in receyving this Bitch many a time into our bed: the Lord give vs grace to repent for it and all other vanities!" And afterward coulde shee never abide to looke vpon the Bitch any more. Having thus godly disposed of all things, she fell into an extasse, or into a traunce or sownde, for the space almost of a quarter of an houre, so as every one thought she had beene dead. But afterward she, comming to her selfe, spake to them that were present, (as there were many both worshipfull and others) saying: "Right worshipfull and my good neighbours and friends, I thanke you all, for the great paines you have taken with me: and whereas I am not able to requite you, I beseech the Lord to reward you in the kingdome of heaven. And for that I

knowe that my hower-glaffe is runne out, and my time of departure hence is at hande, I am perfwaded, for three causes, to make a confession of my fayth, before you all. The first cause that moueth me is, for that those (if there be any such here) that are not thorowly refolued in the trueth of God, may heare and learne what the fpirite of God hath taught me out of his bleffed and alfauing worde. The fecond cause that moueth me hereto, is, for that none of you shoulde judge 2, to testify that that I died not a perfect Christian, and a lively member of the mysticall bodie of Iefus Chrift, and fo by your rash judgement might incurre the displeasure of God. The thirde and last cause, is for that, as you have beene witnesses of part of my life, so you might bee witnesses of my faith and beliefe also. And in this my confession, I woulde not have you to thinke, that it is I that speake vnto you, but the spirite of God which dwelleth in me, and in all the elect of God, valeffe they be reprobates: for Paul fayeth, Rom. 8, 'If any one haue not the spirite of Christ dwelling in him, he is none of his.' This bleffed spirite hath knocked at the doore of my heart, and God hath given mee grace to open the doore vnto him, and hee dwelleth in me plentifully. And therefore I pray you gine me pacience a little, and imprint my wordes in your hearts, for they are not the wordes of flesh and blood, but of the spirite of God, by whom I am fealed to the day of redemption."

A most heavenly confession of the Christian faith, made by this bleffed feruant of God Mistreffe Stubbes a little before the died.



Lthough the Maiestie of God be both infinite and vnípeakeable, and therefore can neither be conceiued in heart, nor expressed in wordes, yet to the end you may know what that God is, in whom I beleeue, as farre as he hath reuealed himfelfe vnto vs in his holy worde, I will define him vnto you, as the spirite of God shall illuminat my

heart. I beleeue therefore with my heart, and freely confesse with my [leaf B 1, back] mouth, here before you all, that this God in whom I beleeue, is a most glorious spirite, or spirituall substance, a diuine essence, or

I believe in God in 3 Persons, effenciall being, without beginning or ending, of infinite glorie, power, might & maiestie, inuisible, inaccessible, incomprehensible, and altogether vnspeakable. I beleeue and confesse, that this glorious Godhead, this blessed substance, essence, or being, this diuine power which we call God, is deuided into a trinitie of Persons, the father, the sonne, and the holy spirite, distinct onely in names and offices, but all one and the same in nature, in essence, substance, deitie, maiestie, glorie, power, might, and eternitie.

&c., &c., &c.

I believe that we shall know

each other in

"When God had cast Adam into a deade sleepe, and made woman of a ribbe of his side, hee brought her vnto him, and he knewe her streight way, and called her by her name. Coulde Adam in the state of innocencie knowe his wise, hee lying in a dead sleepe, whilest she was in making? And shall not we being restored to a farre more excellent dignitie and persection, then euer was Adam in, not knowe one another? Shall our knowledge bee lesse in heauen then it is in earth? Doo wee knowe one another in this life, where wee knowe but in part, and see as it were but in a Glasse, and shall wee not knowe one an other in the life to come, where all ignoraunce shall bee done

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Dives in hell knew Abraham and Lazarus in heaven. away?

"In the 16. of Luke, we reade howe that the riche man lying in hell, knewe Abraham and Lazarus in heauen. Then I reason thus: If the wicked that be in hell in torments do know those that be in heauen so farre aboue them: how much more shall the godly knowe one another, beeing altogether in one place, and sellowe Citizens in the kingdome of heauen? We reade also in the 17. of Matth. howe our Sauiour Christ, meaning to shewe vnto his disciples, Peter, Iames, and Iohn, as it were a shadowe, or glimmering of the ioyes of heauen, and therefore hee is sayde to bee transsigured before them, and his face did shine as the Sunne, and his apparell was like the light. And there appeared vnto them Moyses and Elias, sayeth the text.

"Then it followeth, that if the Disciples being in their naturall corruption, and but in shadowe or glimmering of the ioyes of heauen, did knowe Moyses and Elias, the one whereof dyed almoste two thousande yeares before, the other not much lesse, howe much more shall week nowe one another in the life to come, all corruption being taken

Much more shall we know one another in the life to come.

away, and we in the full fruition and possession of all the ioies & glory of heaven? This is my fait, this is my hope, & this is my trust; this hath [leaf C a, back] the spirit of God taught me, and this haue I learned out of the booke of God. And (good Lord) that haft begun this goodnes in me, finish it. I befeech thee, & strengthen me that I may perseuere therein to the ende, and in the ende, through Iesus Christ my onely Lord and faujour." And she had no sooner made an end of this most heauenly confession of her faith, but Satan was readie to bid her the combate; whom she mightily repulsed, and vanquished, by the power of our Lord Iesus, on whom she constantly beleeved. And wheras before she looked with a sweet, louely, and amiable countenance, red as the rose, and most beautifull to beholde, now vpon the sudden, she bent the browes, she frowned, and looking (as it were) with an angry,. stearne, & fierce countenance, as though she saw some filthie, vgglesome, and displeasant thing, she brust foorth into these speaches following, pronouncing her wordes as it were scornefully and disdainfully, in contempt of him to whom the spake.

A most wonderfull conflict betwixt Satan and her foule, and of her valiant conquest in the same, by the power of Christ.



Ow now, Satan? what makes thou here? Art thou come to tempt the Lords feruant? I tell thee. thou hel-hound, thou hast no part nor portion in Hell-hound, me, nor by the grace of God neuer shalt haue. I was, now am, and shalbe the Lords for euer. Yea, Satan, I was chosen and elected in Christ to

everlafting faluation, before the foundations of the world were laid: and therefore thou maist get the[e] packing, thou damned dog, & go shake thine eares, for in me hast thou nought. But what dost thou lay to my charge, thou foule fiend? Oh, that I am a finner, and therefore shall be damned: I confesse in deede that I am a finner, and a grieuous finner, both by originall finne, and Tho' I am a actuall finne; and that, I may thanke thee for. And therfore, Satan, I bequeath my finne to thee, from whome it first proceeded, and I appeale to the mercie of God in Christ Iesus. Christ came to saue [leaf C 3] finners (as he faith himselfe) and not the righteous: 'behold the

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yet Christ's blood has cleansd me.

All my sins are pardond for his name's sake.

Deceitful devil,

Christ has paid my debt to God for me.

Firebrand of Hell, avoid I

[leaf C 3, back]
Pack! Or I will call on Michael.

Lambe of God (faith Iohn) that taketh away the finnes of the world. And in another place, he crieth out: 'the blood of Iesus Christ doth cleanse vs from al sinne.' And therefore, Satan, I constantly beleeve that my finnes are washed away in the precious blood of Iesus Christ, and shall neuer be imputed vnto mee. For Christs righteousnesse is my righteousnesse, his holinesse my holines, his innocencie my innocencie, and his blood a full recompence and fatiffaction for all my finnes. But what fayest thou more, Satan? Dost thou aske me how I dare come to him for mercy, he being a righteous God, and I a miserable finner? I tell the, Satan, I am bolde thorow Christ to come vnto him, being affured and certaine of pardon and remission of all my finnes for his names fake. For, doth not the Lord bid all that be heavie laden with the burden of finne, to come vnto him, and he will ease them? Christes armes were spred wide open (Satan) vpon the Croffe (with that she spred her owne armes) to embrace me, and all penitent finners: and therefore (Satan) I will not feare to present my selfe before his footstoole, in full assurance of his mercie for Christ his sake. What more, Satan? Doest thou say, it is written, that God wil reward euery one according to his works, or according to his deferts? But it is written againe, thou deceitfull deuill, that Christs righteousnesse is my righteousnesse, his works my works, his deferts my deferts, & his precious blood a full fatiffaction for all my finnes. Oh, but God is a just God, thou faiest, and therefore must needs in iustice condemne me. I grant (Satan) that he is a iust God, and therefore hee cannot in iustice punish me for my sinnes, which hee hath punished alreadie in his sonne. It is against the law of instice, to punish one fault twice. I was, and am, a great debter vnto God the Father, but Christ Iesus hath paied the debt for me: and therefore it standeth not with the instice of God to require it againe. And therefore auoid, Satan, auoid, thou firebrande of hell! auoid, thou damned dog, and tempt me no more! for he that is with me is mightier than thou, even the mightie and victorious Lion of the tribe of *Iuda*, who hath bruized thy head, and hath promised to be with his children to the end of the world. Auoid therfore, thou dastard, auoid, thou cowardly fouldier, remooue thy fiege, and yeelde the field wonne, & get thee packing, or else I wil cal vpon my grandcaptaine Christ Iesus, that valiant Michael, who beate thee in heauen.

and threw thee downe to hell, with all thy hellish traine, and diuelish crew." She had scarcely pronounced the last wordes, but she fell sud- Then she laught, denly into a sweet smiling laughter, saying, "Now is he gone, now is like a beaten he gone! do you not see him slie like a cowarde, and runne away like a beaten cocke? He hath loft the fielde, and I have wonne the victorie, euen the garland, and crowne of euerlasting life; and that, not by my owne power or strength, but by the power and might of Iefus Christ, who hath fent his holy Angels to keepe me." And speaking to them that were by, she said, "would God you saw but what I fee! Do you not fee infinite millions of most glorious Angels stand about me, with firie charets ready to defend me, as they did the good prophet Elizeus. These holy Angels, these ministring spirits, are appointed by God to carrie my foule into the kingdome of heauen, where I shall behold the Lord face to face, and shall see him, not with other, but with these same eyes. Now am I happie and bleffed for euer, for I have fought the good fight, and by the might of Christ haue wonne the victorie. Now from henceforth shall I neuer taste neither of hunger nor cold, paine nor woe, miserie nor affliction, vexation nor trouble, feare nor dreade, nor of any other calamitie, or adverfitie, whatfoeuer. From henceforth is laid vp for mee a crowne of life, which Christ shal give to those that feare him. And as I am now in poffession thereof by hope, so shall I bee anon in full fruition thereof by presence of my soule, and hereafter of my bodie also, when the Lord doth please." Then she spake softly to herselfe as followeth. "Come, Lord Iefus, come, my loue Iefus, oh fende thy purfeuant (fweet She calld on Iesus) to fetch me! Oh (sweet Iesus) strengthen thy servant, & keepe thy promise!" Then sang she divers Psalmes most sweetly, and She sang Paalms with a chearefull voice: which done, she defired her husband that the 103. Psalme might bee sung before her to the Church. And further, shee defired him that hee woulde not mourne for her, alledging the Apostle Paul, where he saith: 'Brethren, I woulde not have you to mourne, as men without hope, for them that die in the Lord': affirming that she was not in case to be mourned for, but rather to bee reioyced for: for that shee should passe (she saide) from earth to [leaf C 4] heauen; from men to holie Saints, to Angels, to Cherubins and Seraphins, yea to God himselfe. After which wordes, very suddenly, the feemed, as it were, greatly to reioyce, and to looke very cheere-cheerfully,

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and welcome death;

commended her spirit to her

and then slept sweetly in the Lord.

She was but zi when she died May we all follow her example!

fully, as though the had feene fome glorious fight: and lifting vp her whole body, and stretching foorth both her armes, as though shee would imbrace fomething, faid: "I thanke my God, through Iefus Christ, he is come, he is come, my good Iayler is come to let my foule out of prison! Oh sweet death, thou art welcome, welcome fweet death! neuer was there any guest so welcome to mee as thou art! Welcome, the messenger of euerlasting life: welcome, the doors and enterance into everlasting life: welcome (I say), and thrise welcome come, my good Iayler! do thy office quickly, and fet my foule at libertie. Strike (sweet death), strike my heart, I feare not thy blowe. Now it is done. Father, into thy blessed hands I commend my spirit! Sweete Iesus, into thy blessed hands I commend my spirit! Blessed spirit of God, I commit my soule into thy handes! Oh most holy, bleffed, and glorious Trinitie, three persons and one true everlasting God, into thy bleffed handes I commit both my foule and my bodie:" at which wordes her breath staied; and so, neither mouing hand nor foot, she slept sweetly in the Lord.

Thus hast thou heard (gentle Reader) the discourse of the vertuous life and christian death of this faithfull servaunt of God, Mistresse Katherine Stubbes: which is so much the more wonderfull, in that she was but yong and tender of yeares, not exceeding the number of xviii. when she departed this life. The Lorde give vs all grace to follow her good example, that we may come to those vnspeakeables.

ioyes wherin she now resteth, through Iesus Christ our Lorde; to whome with the Father, and the holy Ghost, be all honour, glorie, praise, dominion, and thankesgiuing, both nowe and euermore. Amen.

FINIS. P. S. Gent.



EXTRACTS FROM

THE 1610 EDITION OF

PHILIP STUBBES'S PERFECT PATHWAY TO FELICITIE, "

WITH

A SHORT TREATISE

OF

PRAIERS AND SUPPLICATIONS,

WRITTEN IN 1592.

Mr Hy. Huth's copy (from Heber's library), which he has kindly lent me, is in its original gilt vellum cover, with the initials R D, separated by a rose, on each of the two sides. The borders and initials in this partial reprint are not of the same patterns as those in the original.]



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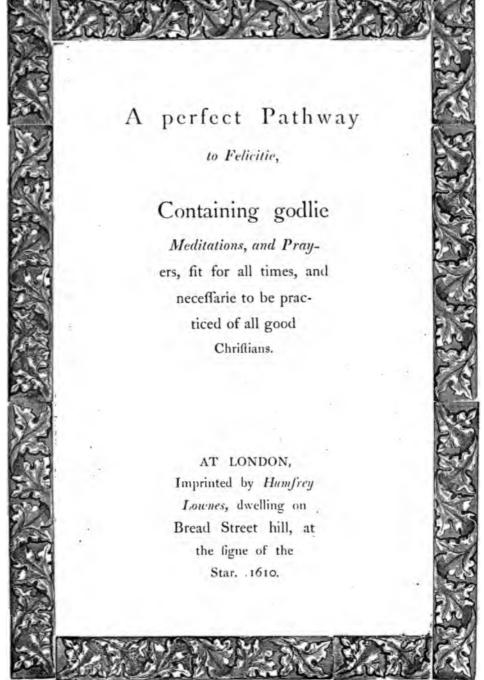
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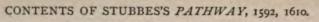
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uerlasting GOD bee all / honour, glorie, prayse do/¹minion power, and thanks/giuing for euermore. Amen.

> Vni Deo & trino sit, omnis gloria

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and euerlasting GOD, be all honour, glorie, praise, might power maiestie and ¹dominion, now and for euer. Amen.

(1) A Praier for the Church.

O Singular louer of vs, Christ Iesu, O Bridegroome to whom thy Church is most deare, and which hast promised that thou wilt neuer faile her: increase her;...

The after prayers in ed. 1610 are:—(2) A Prayer for the forgiuenes of sinnes (P 6, back). (3) Another (Q 3). (4) Prayse and (5) Prayer for Gods mercy towards vs (Q 5, back). (6) A Prayer, in meditating on Christs Passion (R 1, back). (7) Another (R 5). (8) A Prayer to Christ in glorie (R 6, back). (9) A Prayer before the hearing of Gods word (R 8). (10) A Prayer for Gods Grace (S 2). (11) A Prayer for confidence in God alone (S 3, back). (12) A Prayer for true enlightning (S 4, back). (13) A Prayer that the olde man may die in vs (S 6, back). (14) A Prayer to be vsed by the sicke (T 2). (15) A Prayer, in the time of Pestilence (T 5). Finis. (T 7, front). Back of T 7, and T 8, blank, tho' with borders.

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¹To the right worshipfull, vertuous, and godlie Gentlewoman, Mistresse Katherine Milward, most faithful spouse to the no lesse worshipfull, wise and religious Gentleman, Master William Milward. Esquire, P. S. wisheth

all happie fuccesse in this life, with increase of worship, and in the life to come, eternal felicity in the Heauenly Hierachie by Iesus Christ.



Wo things peraduenture (Right Worshipfull) may be maruailed at, concerning this little book: ²as namely, first, why I have published it, considering the great number of Books, either of the same, or verie like Argument, extant in these dayes. Secondly, wherfore I have dedicated it rather vnto³ you then to anie other. For the sirst, I protest before God, who knoweth the secrets

of all hearts, I have not published it, either for vain glory, lucre, or *gaines, nor yet for any other private respect of my owne whatsoever; but at the inflant request and earnest desire of one of my verie good friends, and alliance also, who yet being living, & the onely man that hath borne the whole charges of the impression thereof, both can, & I know will (if need should require) institute the same against any that shold saverre the contrarie. And for the second, when I considered with my selfe how much bound I have alwaies beene to your worship

sign. ¶ 3.
 sign. ¶ 3, back.
 vnso orig.
 sign. ¶ 4, back.

The Epiftle Dedicatorie.

euer fince the time that I was first acquainted with you, for your good opinion you have ever conceived of me, & Sundrie other your courtefies shewed towards me, far beyond my deferts or expectation: As also when I callled to remembrance your feruent zeale which you have ever born to the word of God & holy religion, your exquisite knowledge therein, your careful indenour to put the fame in practife, & to frame your life therafter : Briefly, when I remembred your maruailous humilitie & lowlineffe of mind, your wonderfull modestie, gentlenesse, and affability, your 2 rare continencie and integritie of life, with infinite the like vertues and graces, wherewith God hath beautified & adorned your worship aboue manie others ; I say, when I remembred thefe things, with many mo, I doe no leffe (having fo fit an occasion given me by reason of my friends importunacie) then to dedicate thefe my labors to your "worship, though not as a guerdon answerable to your deserts, yet as an infallible testimonie, pledge, and token of my thankful goodwil and grateful heart towards you. And albeit that in respect of the formal method of the booke (for herein I have not studied to be curious), it may feeme to be bafe and contemptible, and fuch as is farre vnworthy to bee exhibited, to fo wife, fo difereet, fo godly, & religious a gentlewoman; yet in regard of the matter, which is heavenly and divine, I most humbly befeech you to accept therof, and to permit the fame to go forth to the view of the worlde under the gard of your protection, and to patronize both the author & the booke against the poysoned tongues of railing Phormions & flouting Momuffes, to whom all good things are had in difidaine. And in fo doing, both God shall bee glorified by you, the church & Saints shall praife God in you, & I my selfe (besides that I will not rest unthankfull to you to the death) will not cease also to pray to God for you. And thus I most humblie take my leave. From my

Chamber, this prefent tenth of Aprill.

1592.

Your Worships in the Lord. Philip Stubs.

sign. ¶ 5. sign. ¶ 6, back.

² sign. ¶ 5, back. ⁵ sign, ¶ 7. sign. ¶ 6.
 sign. ¶ 7, back.

¹Precepts at thy going forth of thy Chamber.



HEN thou goest foorth of thy chamber, salute thy bed fellow (if thou hast anie), giuing him the time of the day, and in meeting others doe the like (for ciuilitie requireth it). And when thou commest into the presence of thy Parents, not onely salute

them, but also fall downe vpon thy knees before them, ² and defire them to praie to God to bless thee. When thou hast so don, wash thy face & thy hands, & keep thy body cleane and neat: in the doing wherof, meditate thus with thy selfe.

Meditations in the washing of ones face and hands.



S ye filthines and pollution of my bodie is washed & made clean by ye element of water; so is my bodie and soule purified and washed from the spots & blemishes of fin, by the precious blood of Iesus Christ. Think, also, this washing putteth me in remembrance of my baptism, of my spiritual birth and regeneration, whereby I am not

onelie borne anew by the operation of the Holy-ghost, but also am sealed up to eternall faluation, thorowe the redemption that is in Christ. These Meditations ended, pray as followeth:

A praier to be faid at the wafhing of ones face & hands.

Oft gratious God, and louing Father, who haft given thy onelie begotten Son Iefus Chrift, to fuffer death vppon the Croffe for my redemption; graunt, I most intirely

befeech thee, for his fake, that as this my bodie is now washed

¹ sign. C 4.

² C 4, back.

³ C 5.

⁴ C 5, back.

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and made cleane by the element of materiall water, so my body and soule maie both bee purified & purged from all vncleannesse and silthinesse of sinne, thorow the efficacie of thy sonne his most precious bloud. These things thus ordered, go forth to thy labours in the feare of God, doing all things to his glorie, and the good of thy brethren.....

Directions how a Christian fhould behaue himselfe at the Table.

Hen thou commest to the Table, shew all obeysance and curtesse, behaving thy selfe modestlie, humbly, and soberly, as in the presence of God. Eate so much as nature requireth, not how much insatiable appetite desireth. Be spare, as well of hande as

tongue. Let thy countenance be amiable and pleasant toward all men. Let all thy communication bee seasoned with falt, as the Apostle speaketh, that it maie giue grace to the hearers, remembring that wee must giue accounts at the daie of sudgement for euerie idle word. Vse not to laugh much, to sest, or scoffe, to sloute or mocke, to deride, backbite, or set deride anie man behinde his backe, but in all things so demeanor thy selfe, that thou maist neither dishonour thy God, nor giue either offence or euill example vnto any at the table. Dinner being ended, giue God thanks as followeth.

A Thankf-giuing to God after dinner.

Off holy-father, Lord of heauen & earth, I give thee thankes in 2 the name of Iefus Chrift for all thy benefites and bleffings in mercy beftowed vpon mee ever fince I was borne. And namelie, O Father, I praife thee for feeding my hungry body, as alwaids heretofore, fo now prefentlie at this time, with earthlie foode; befeeching thee to feede my foule likewife with the

1 sign. D. 2 sign. D. back.

celestiall foode of thy holie word. And I pray thee, good Lord, that as thou hast given vnto mee the vie of these learthly creatures in great measure, so thou wilt in mercie vouchsafe to give vnto me the continual supply of all my necessities & wants, needfull either for my soule, or bodie, to the end, and in the end, thorow Iesus Christ our Lord.....

²A Thanks-giuing to God before Supper.



Ather of mercie, and God of all truth, looke downe, I befeech thee, from the throne of thy heauenly palace vpon vs thy humble feruants, albeit most wretched and miserable finners: fanctifie both our bodies & foules, by the presence of thy holie Spirite, and blesse these thy creatures vnto vs: giue them strength to

nourish our bodies, and our bodies their naturall powers and force, euerie member to performe his office and dutie, according as thou hast appointed, & as thou sees to bee best for thy glorie, and the sustaining and repairing of our ruinous and weake natures. And we praie thee, good father, also, to seede our soules with the celestiall Manna of thy blessed worde, and bring vs once to suppe with thee in the kingdome of heauen, thorow the precious bloud of Iesus Christ.

Then fall to thy meate reuerently, as before at dinner, having alwaies a diligent eye, that thou abuse not the good creatures of GOD, by gluttony, drunkenesse, gourmandise, or any other kinde of riot or excesse. Remember that nature is satisfied with a little; and what is more then will suffice nature is superfluous; and one daie thou shalt be accomptable for it to the great Iudge of all the earth. Thy body beeing satisfied, forget not to relieue the necessities of the Saints, according to thy abilitie, that God maie blesse thee, & multiplie thy store. When Supper is ended, give god thanks, either as followeth, or otherwise, as the spirit of God shall illuminate thy heart.

¹ sign. D 2. ² sign. D 4, back. ³ Ends D 6, front.

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¹A Thankf-giuing to God after Supper.



H Lord our God, most gratious & holy father, we render all praise & thanks-giuing to thy soueraigne maiesty, for all thy benefites and bleffinges so plentifully bestowed vppon vs. And namelie² we thanke thee (holy father) for these thy good creatures, which

thou haft at this present in full measure given vnto vs. Oh Lord, make vs thankefull for them, & pardon our vnthankfulnesse, for Iesus Christ his sake. Finally, make vs all thy true, obedient, & faithfull servants, and bring vs to everlasting life in thy good time, for thy great mercies sake in thy beloved, Amen.

Directions of Christian behauiour after supper.



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He reft of the time after Supper, vntill thou goeft to bedde, ⁸ fpend with thy familie, either in finging of Pfalmes and fpirituall fongs, finging and making melodie to the Lord in your hearts; or else in conferring, reasoning, disputing, and talking of the word

of God, in reading, expounding, or interpreting of the fame. Then, when time calleth thee to goe to bed, call thy whole housholde together in some convenient place, make publike confession of your sinnes to God the Father, crave 'pardon and forgivenesse for Iesus Christs sake, and praie for grace to bee able to resist sin hereafter, with all means, waies, & allurements leading thereunto. Which done, repaire to thy chamber, revoluing with thy selfe these and the like things following.

¹ D 6, back. ² especially. ³ D 7, back. ⁴ sign. D 8.

Meditations when thou comest into thy chamber.

Hen thou art come into thy chamber, call to ¹thy remembrance what euill thou hast committed that daie past, either in thought, word, or deed, towards GOD, or towards man, and the good which thou shouldest have done, and hast not done. If thou

haft feene or heard anie good thing in any man, note it, learne it, and praie for grace to follow it. If againe thou hast seene or heard anie euill in anie man, note it in thy selfe, and pray for grace to eschewe This done, kneele 2downe by thy bed fide, confesse thy fins to GOD the Father, craue pardon for Iesus Christ his sake, and praie to him to protect thee that night, and to defende thee vnder the shadowe of his wings, from all perilles and daungers both bodilie and ghoftly. Thy clothes being put off, meditate thus with thy felfe. 'Oh what a filthy, vncleane, & vgglesome carkasse doe I beare about with me, that for very shame 8 had neede to bee couered with garments!' Thinke also from what an excellent state and dignity (in regard of thy first creation) thou art fallen, by reason of the filthines of sin. Then thinke, that if thy apparell were given thee for verie necessities sake, to couer and hide thy shame withall, what reason hast thou to be. proud thereof? For should a begger be proude of the cloutes that wrap his fores? Thinke also, that as thou 4 canst not without thy shame stand before men, naked and bare, so canst thou not without shame and confusion of face stand before the maiestie of God, except thou be clothed & inuefted with the garment of Christs righteousnes and holinesse. Finally think, that as thou puttest off and layest aside thy materiall garment, fo thalt thou once, and peraduenture before thou rifest againe, put off and lay away the earthly mansion of thy ⁵ body, committing it to mother earth againe, from whence it first came. When fleep commeth vpon thee, pray as followeth.

¹ D 8, back. ² sign. E. ³ sign. E 1, back. ⁴ sign. E 2. ⁵ sign. E 2, back.

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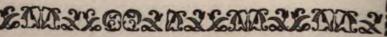
A Prayer when fleepe commeth vpon one.



Oft mercifull Father, with whome there is no difference of time, nor varietie of chaunge, feeing thou haft appointed the daie for man to trauaile in, and the ¹ night for him to take his naturall rest, I beseech thee that as my

bodie hath beene occupyed and employed this daie in the labours of this life, fo it maie receive by thy protection quiet rest and sleepe this night, that I may be the abler to goe forwarde in the exercise of good works, in the rest of my life that I have to live, to the praise and glorie of thy bleffed name: and in this my fleepe defend mee, I befeech thee, from all perilles 2 and daungers, and from all the force and violence of mine enemies both spirituall and corporall. And as it maie please thee to graunt to my bodie quiet rest and sleepe; so let it be thy good pleafure to make my foule watchfull and vigilant to waite vpon thee, and diligently to looke for the comming of thy deare fonne Iefus Chrift vnto iudgement for my redemption. Keepe me from all fearefull dreams and visions, from all phanta3fticall apparitions & diuelish illusions of the wicked enemie, from all carnall pollutions & vngodlie fuggestions of the wicked spirite. Finally graunt, that both my bodie and my foule, refting vnder thy divine protection, may be fafe from all enmitie & hostilitie whatsoeuer, and at the last maie attaine euerlasting life, thorough Iesus Christ, my onelie Sauiour & Redeemer. This done, dispose thy selfe to rest, com mitting both thy bodie and foule into the hands of God, praying him to be thy watchman that night. Then descend thou into the secrets closets and priuie chambers of thine heart, fearch euery place, and ranfacke euerie corner; and if thou findest anie filthinesse or vncleannesse therein (as indeed thou shalt finde nothing else) wash it away with the teares of repentance, & make it cleane with the broome of contrition. Then thinke thus 6 with thy felfe; 'My bed dooth represent vnto me my

1 sign. E 3. 2 sign. E 3, back. 3 sign. E 4.
4 secretest? or secret 5 E 4, back. 6 E 5.



grave, wherein I must once sleepe; and the clothes, the earth, where-withall I shall shortlie be covered in my sepulchre or grave: And as these sleep and gnats do bite & gnaw my skinne, so shall the wormes eate and consume the frame of my bodie, in the dust of the earth, when the Lord doth please.' When the morning beginneth to dawn, and the daystarre to appeare, thinke thus; 'As now the morning commeth on, and the daie starre beginneth to appeare, so shall Christ Iesus, the true morning star, shew himselfe at the time appointed of his Father, to iudge both the quicke and the dead.' And when thou hearest the crowing of the Cocke, the sounding of belles, or anie other noise whatsoever, think alwaies, that thou hearest the Trumpe of the Archangell sound, saying, 'Arise, you dead 2 and come vnto iudgement.' When thou awakest out of sleepe, praie to this effecte as followeth.

A Praier when one awakes out of fleepe.



Ercifull father, grant that as thou hast now awaked my earthly body out of this naturall sleepe, so thou wilt also vouchsafe to raise me vp from the sleep of sin, and in the general resurrection of all steel, to eternall life, thorow

Iefus Christ my only Sauiour & Redeemer.

⁴Christian directions for the Morning.



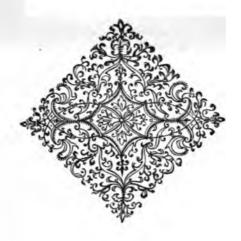
Hen thou hast attired thyselfe decently and comely, not pompously, nor proudly, goe forth of thy ⁵chamber, and if thou beest a master of a househoulde, call thy familie together, confesse your sinnes, craue pardon for Iesus Christ his sake, pray for grace to

refift finne hereafter, prayse God for all his benefites and bleffings in mercie bestowed vppon you, pray for continuance of them. Thanke him for your protection that night, beseeching him to protect you that day, and to blesse all your workes and labours. And si⁶nally, defire him



to keepe and defend you that day, and euer, from all perils and dangers, both bodily and ghoftly whatfoeuer, and to bring you to euerlasting life at the time appointed, through the precious blood of lesus Christ. This done, goe forth to thy labours in the seare of God, doing all things with single eie and good conscience, to the praise of him that made thee; being assured that as in mercie hee will not leaue the least good worke that wee do, vnrewarded; so in instice hee will not leaue the least enill that wee doe commit, either in thought, word, or deed, vnpunished, except we repent. To God, therefore, our Father, to Christ Iesus our Sauiour and redeemer, and to God the Holie-ghost our Comforter and Sanctisier, three persons and one true and euerliuing God, bee all honour, glorie, praise, dominion & thanksgiuing for euermore. Amen.

1 F 4, back.





A SHORT

Treatife, of praiers
and Supplications;

COMPRISING

a brief fumme of all fuch things as we stand in need of in this life.

> By the fame Authour, P. S. Gent.

¹A Praier for the Queenes Maieftie.



E render all prayse and thanks to thee, oh 2king of all kings, and gouernour of all things, for that in the multitude of thy mercies thou hast vouchedsafe to place ouer vs thy little flock, so godly & vertuous a guide, so gracious & wise a princes, as the worlde neuer had her peere.

And we humblie pray thee, holie father, with thy fauourable countenance to beholde the fame thy feruant, our fouereigne Ladie and gouernesse. And so sanctifie her heart with the grace of thy 3 holie fpir[i]te, that shee maie bend all her studie and indeuour to ye setting forth of thy glorie, ye maintenance of thy holie religion, the aduauncement of true vertue and godlines, the fupplanting of vice and commoditie of this her maiesties common weale vnder thee; kindle in her a feruent zeale of thy glory and a vehement desire to eftablish whatfoeuer is defective of wanteth in this thy Church & vineyard in England, for the 4true & fincere discipline & gouernment of thy church & common welth. Saue and defend her from al forreigne power, & authoritie, from all traitterous conspiracies, plots and practifes, either of papifts, Atheifts, or any other fectaries whatfoeuer. Giue her godlie, wife, & religious counfailers, fuch as may respect onlie thy glorie, that her maiestie ruling acording to thy wil, they counfelling according to the infpiration of thy holy spirit, 5 and we her fubiects faithfully obeying, may altogether in the end receive the incorruptible crowne of eternall glorie in the heauenlie Hierusalem, thorow Iefus Christ our Lord, Amen.



From ed. 1592, sign. G 6, back. ² sign. G 7. ³ G 7, back. ⁴ sign. G 8. ⁵ G 8, back.

A Prayer for a Competent & a necessary living.

Lord our GOD, most gratious & holie father, 1 whose loue towardes men in Chrift Iesus is infinite and vnspeakeable, & whose tender care ouer him is fuch, that thou hast promised that whofoeuer beleeweth in thee, dependeth vppon thy prouidence, and feeketh his reliefe at thy bleffed handes, shall neuer want anie good thing; eyther necessarie for foule or bodie: Therefore, most gracious Father, I thy fielie creature, of my felfe poore, yea, pouertie and nakednesse 2it selfe, most intirelie beseech thee, for Iesus Christ his fake, that thou wilt give vnto mee a competent and a necessarie liuing, as meate, drinke, and cloth, with all other things needfull for my bodie; that pinching pouertie oppresse mee not, nor that I be not drawen to attempt wicked and vnlawfull meanes for the maintenance of my life. To this end therefore (good father) bleffe my ftore, and replenish my basket with thy 3 bleffings, that I maie be able, thorow thy beneficiall liberalitie, to line out of debt and danger of all men, and to occupie my felfe in the exercise & practise of good workes, to the reliefe of them that have neede, and the fetting forth of thy honor & glory, thorow Iefus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A praier to be faid of those that be unmaried.

H Lord our God, in as much as thou hast commanded in thy blessed word, the word of truth, that wee, abstayning from all whooredome, and fornication, and vncleannesse, should keepe our vesselles in holinesse, and not in ye filthy lusts of the sless, as do the heathen, who know not thee: I beseech thee thersfore to give mee grace to perform this thy most holy Commandement, and graunt that I never pollute nor desile my bodie with whoredome, fornication, nor any other vncleannesse. And because, O Lord, chastitie of the bodie

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 sign. H 6, back.
 sign. H 7.
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 K 3.

my felfe faithfully, iustlie, and trulie towards all men, in all things, and not to inrich my felfe by picking, stealing, imbezeling, purloyning, or conceying anie thing from anie man by any finister practice ¹ whatsoeuer; but so to behaue my felfe towards all men, as there may be no fault found in me: that thy name may be glorified, and my saluation in Christ Iesus sealed vp vnto mee. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies sake, Amen.

²A Prayer in the time of Peftilence.

T is no marueile, O most righteous Father, that the

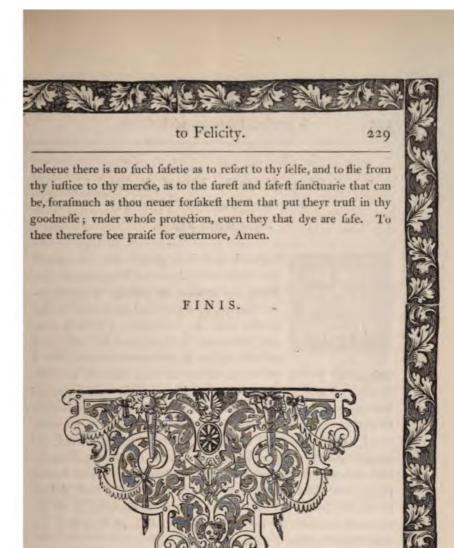
elements of this worlde are fierce against vs, sometime with earthquakes, fometime with tempefts & lightnings, fometimes with ouerflowing 3 of Seas & Riuers, fometime with pestilent concourses of the heauenlie lights, and sometime with corruption of the infected ayre: for we do commonly abuse thy gifts. We acknowledge, that even in this case also the creatures serue and obeie their Creator, whose commandements wee neglect fo oftentimes. Also wee acknowledge thy fatherlie nurturing of vs, whereby thou callest vs backe from 4the trust of this world with gentle correction, and drawest vs to the defire of the euerlasting life. We humblie befeech thee to remember thy mercy euen in thy wrath, and fauorablie to withdrawe the afflictions which thou haft laid vpon vs in thy displeasure. The infection of ye pestilence shall do vs no great harm, if we withdrawe our felues from the infection of finne, But both those things are of thy gift, O 5 Father of mercie, namelie, as well to haue our mindes free from the poyfon of finne, as to haue our bodies fafe from ye infection of ye plague. Such as haue fastened the Anchor of their hope in this life, are wont in their perils to flie for remedie to fuch shifts as these: namely, some to certain Saints, as to S. Rooke, or S. Anthonie; and fome to the pernicious Art of witchcraft. But we, who are fully perfuaded that no 6 man can escape thy hand

sign. T 5, back.



¹ sign. K 8. 4 sign. T 6.

² On sign. T 5. ⁵ sign. T 6, back.



A praier to be faid of all fuch as be maiestrates and rulers in the common wealth.



Orafmuch as it hath pleafed thee, oh eternall God, ruler of all kinges and ²kingdoms, to conflitute and appoint me (though altogither vnworthie) to be a ruler and gouernour of thy people vnder my foueraigne, I befeech thee, giue me grace, fo to execute my office, and minister iustice in the common wealth, that I

maie please thee in all things, iniurie no man, oppresse no man, damnisse no man, neither in bodie, nor in goods, but by thy gracious working, may judge justly³, neither fauoring ⁴the rich nor mightie for desire of gifts, nor yet dispising the poore for want of rewardes, that I, seeking thy glorie, the aducuncement of thy holie word, and Gospell, and the common benefite of all men, may be found acceptable vnto thee in thy beloued, and may heare that sweete haruest fong⁵, 'well, good servant, thou hast beene faithfull in small thinges of this life, (which are but vanities and trisses to the things in the life to come) enter into the loy of the Lord'. Oh Lord, let it be so, for Jesus Christ his sake. Amen.

1 From ed. 1592, sign. G & back. Given for Justice Shallow's sake.

sign. H.

3 Compare 2 Houry II. Act V. sc. i.:-

Dary. I beseech you, sir, to countenance William Visor of Wincot against Clement Perkes of the hill.

Seal. There are many complaints, Davy, against that Visor; that Visor is an

arrant knave on my knowledge.

Party. I grant your worship, that he is a knave, sir: but yet, God forbid sir, but a knave should have some countenance at his friend's request. An honest man, sir, is able to speak for himself, when a knave is not. I have served your worship truly, sir, these eight years; and if I cannot once or twice in a quarter bear out a knave against an honest man. I have but a very little credit with your worship. The knave is mine honest friend, sir; therefore, I beseech your worship, let him be countenanced.

Shal. Go to; I say, he shall have no wrong. Look about, Davy.

H 1, back.
 Sung, ed. 1592; song. ed. 1610.

NOTES.

p. vi, l. 10: whose gawld backes are tutched. "But what o' that? Your Maiestie, and wee that haue free soules, it touches vs not: let the gall'd iade winch: our withers are vnrung." Hamlet, III. ii. 251-3; 1st Folio, Trag. p. 268, col. 2.

p. viii, l. 7 from foot; p. xii, veluers; p. 32, velvet.—Cotgrave distinguishes between velvet and velure: "Velours: m. Veluet . . . Tripe de Velours, Valure, Mocke Veluet, Fustian an Apes. Tripe: f. . . Valure, Irish Tuftaffata, Fustian an Apes;" and as Harrison says that wool was used for vellures, the stuff must have been a kind of 'velvet-pile cloth' like that which ladies wore a few seasons ago, and which was all wool. 'Velveteen' and 'cotton velvet' have, I am told, no wool in them. Common velvets have a cotton back and silk face. The French have also velours in silk, cotton and wool (Littré):—

"In time past, the vse of this commoditie [wool] consisted (for the most part) in cloth and woolsteds: but now by meanes of strangers succoured here from domesticall persecution, the same hath beene imploied vnto sundrie other vses, as mockados, baies, vellures, grograines, &c.; whereby the makers have reaped no small commoditie" (not in ed. 1577), 1587. W. Harrison, Description of England, bk. 3, chap. 1, p. 221, l. 31-7; my ed. Pt. II. 1878, p. 6.

"at Westminster.. the bragging velure-canioned [with wool-velvet knee-rolls] hobby-horses prance up and down as if some o' the tilters had ridden 'em." 1607. Webster & Dekker's Northward Ho, Act II. sc. 1, p. 257, col. 1, of Webster's Works, ed. Dyce, 1857. (On Canions, see p. 246 below.)

On the etymology of velvet, velure, Mr Henry Nicol says:—"The second v of velvet is an alteration of w (velvet, Promptorium), and this of u (feluet Launfal—misprinted in Stratmann felvet—veluet, Chaucer). That the u of Mid. E. veluet formed a separate syllable is shown by the metre of

And co | uered it | with ve | lu-et | les blew | e (Squire's Tale, Ellesmere MS. 6-Text, p. 496, l. 644)

and by the Cambridge MS. spelling velowetys. Mid. E. veluet comes from Old Fr. veluet (Roquefort—who misprints velvet), also spelt velluet (Hippeau), for which no references are given; but which occurs latinised as velluetum. Veluet corresponds to a hypothetical Latin villütitum, being a diminutive of Fr. velu, hypothetic Lat. villütum (Ital. velluto, Span. velludo), which shows the usual Fr.

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loss of Lat. single t between vowels, and (like the other words here considered) has for its primitive Lat. villus. Another diminutive of velu is Old Fr. vellueau (Roquefort, with quotation), later veluau and veluyau, latinised velludellum, and corresponding to a hypothetical Lat. villütellum.

"E. vellure (Shakspere velure, Cotgrave-probably by misprint-valure) is probably Early Mod. Fr. veleure (Cotgrave), meaning 'shag;' so far there is no authority for either word before the 16th century. The Old Fr. may be either veleure (four syllables), hypothetical Lat. villaturam, with the common Fr. suffix, or veloure (-ore, -ure, three syllables), hypothetical Lat. villoram, with a rare suffix, existing in the Provincial Span. vellora ('knot or lump taken off woollen cloth'). If E. vellure existed before the 14th century, it points to an Old Fr. velčure, as if from veloure it would have been vellour in Early Mod. E., change of suffix by analogy being unlikely. But if borrowed later, when Old Fr. veloure had become veleure, either F. form (with eu = Late Mod. F. eu, or eu = Late Mod. F. u) would suit. It is very unlikely that E. veilure comes from Mod. Fr. velours, as the s of this, though now always silent, would be pronounced in many cases in the 16th century. Velours is a Mod. form for Old Fr. velous, which is Lat. villosum (Ital. velloso, Span. velloso); Froissart's velus is possibly influenced by velu, but probably the vowel, as Scheler says, was altered for the sake of the rhyme with Lus. The Mod. Burgundian veleur, velor, quoted by Littré, is probably velours in phonetic spelling, hardly Early Mod. Fr. veleure; an exactly parallel example of inserted r in the termination ous is noted by Scheler in the Mod. Dutch jaloersch ('jealous'), which presupposes a Fr. jalours for jaloux (Lat, sēlosum)."

p. xii : the inferiour sorte onely. See p. 237, &c., below.

p. 1. Anatomie of Abuses. Compare Thomas Nashe's "The Anatomie of Absurditie: Contayning a breefe confutation of the slender imputed prayses to feminine perfection, with a short description of the severall practices of youth, and sundry follies of our licentious times. No lesse pleasant to be read, then profitable to be remembered, especially by those who live more licentiously, or are addicted to a more nyce stoycall austeritie." . . 1589. 4to, black letter, 23 leaves. Br. Museum. Hazliti's Handbook. See the evils of Elizabeth's and Jamees's time described in the play of No-Body and Some-Body, 1606, printed in Simpson's School of Shakspere, i. 348-351 (and reprinted in facsimile by Mr. Alexander Smith of the Hunterian Club, Glasgow). They are, engrossing corn, racking rents, debasing the coinage, absentee landlords, city wives' whoredom, harlot-keeping, watch-beating, seduction of girls at 13 years old, pick-pocketing, pursecutting, &c.

p. 1. Abuses.—See in S. Rowlands's A Fooles Bolt is soone shot, 1614, sign. E 3 (ed. 1873, Hunterian Club, p. 37), a list of

"Certaine common abuses

A Common Alehouse in this age of sinne,
Is now become a common Drunkards Inne:
A common seller, and a common buyer,
Are turned common swearer, common lyer

A common Gamester, shifts hath basely made
A common Cheater, at the Dicing trade:
A¹ common Thiefe, in Newgate common Iayle,
Of Tyborne common hye-way cannot fayle:
A common Vag'rant, should by law be stript,
And by a common Beadle soundly whipt:
A common Scould, her furious heate must coole:
Wash'd by her diuing in a Cucking stoole:
A common Bawd, and filthy Pander slaue,
Must common Cart, and Brid-well whipping haue;
A common Rogue is tennant for the Stockes,
A common Companyon² for the Pockes."

Also see the set of folk whom Rowlands threatens to stab in his Looke to it : for Ile Stabbe ye, 1604.

p. 22, l. 11: who so sitteth at home. Cp. Shakspere, Two Gentlemen of Verona, I. i. 2-8, Folio, p. 20, col. 1:

"Home-keeping-youth, haue euer homely wits.
Wer 't not affection chaines thy tender dayes
To the sweet glaunces of thy honour'd Loue,
I rather would entreat thy company
To see the wonders of the world abroad,
Then (liuing dully sluggardiz'd at home)
Weare out thy youth with shapelesse idlenesse."

- p. 23. A plesant & famous Iland. Cp. Shakspere in Rich. II, "This royall Throne of Kings, this sceptred Isle," &c., Folio, Hist. p. 28, col. 2, &c. &c.; and on 'the strong kinde of people', the extracts in the Forewords to Harrison, Parts I and II, and Harrison, I. p. 221, &c.; my Andrew Boorde, p. 117-119 (and see its Index).
- p. 24, l. 11—10 from foot. Our Saviour * * with his Taratantara. Extract from Luther's Danger of delaying Repentance quoted in the Philobiblion, vol. i. p. 251. New York. 1862. "The kettle-drum and trumpet of our good God sounds thus: Poumerle poump! poumerle poump! plia! plua! schmi! schmir! This was the drumming of the Lord, or as Saint Paul says, the voice of the archangel and the trumpet of God, for when God shall thunder at the last day, it will be suddenly, and like beating the kettle-drum, poumerle poump! This will be the war-cry and the taratantara of our good God. Then the whole heaven will resound with this noise: Kir! Kir! poumerle poump!" &c.—S. (W. G. Stone.)
- p. 27, l. 2: two kindes of sinne. "For sothe, synne is in two maneres: outher it is venial, or dedly synne. Sothly, when man lovith any creature more than Jhesu Crist oure creatour, thanne it is dedly synne; and venial synne is, if a

Orig. Of. 2 Read it with 4 syllables, Com-pa-ny-on. 3 schmir in the Philobiblion. Perhaps it should be schmi schmu! like poumerle poump!—S.

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man love Jhesu Crist lesse than him oughte. For sothe the dede of this venial synne is ful perilous, for it amenisith the love that men schulde have to God-more and more." ? 1398-1400.—CHAUCER, Parson's Tale, Works, ed. Morris, iii. 290.

p. 27. Pride. . the verie efficient cause of all enils. "thanne is Pride the general roote of alle harmes. For of this roote spryngen certein braunches: as Ire, Enuye, Accidie or Slewthe, Auarice (or Coueitise, to commune vnderstondynge), Glotonye, and Lecherye."—CHAUCER, Parson's Tale, Group I, 1. 388, Ellesmere MS., p. 615.

p. 28, l. 13. Pride is tripartite. Chaucer, in his Parson's Tale—evidently following some monk's treatise—first divides Pride into 16 Twigs:—I. Disobedience, 2. Boasting, 3. Hypocrisy, 4. Despite, 5. Arrogance, 6. Impudence, 7. Swelling of Heart (rejoicing in harm done), 8. Insolence, 9. Elation, 10. Impatience, 11. Contumacy, 12. Presumption, 13. Irreverence, 14. Pertinacity, 15. Vain-glory, 16. Jangling (or Chattering). Then he tells of a private kind of Pride (like his Host's Wife's and the Wife of Bath's), wanting to go to offering first, &c. And then he gives the more important division of Pride into two kinds? I. within man's heart; II. without; II. being the sign of I, 'as the gaye leefsel (portico, verandah) atte Taverne is sign of the wyn that is in the Celer.' This II, or Outside Pride, is shown in 1. dear Clothing, 2. Horses & Grooms, 3. Household, keeping too many retainers, 4. Table, not asking the poor, having too fine dishes, cups, &c., and too choice minstrelsy. (From my Contents of the Parson's Tale, Ellesmere MS.)

p. 28. Pride, &c.—Compare "Luxury, Pride and Vanity, the Bane of the British Nation," 8vo, p. 61, London, N.D. (about 1750):—

"A scathing satire throwing curious light with all the vividness of a Hogarth on the vices of a century ago. Among the subjects treated of are the Increase of the Wine Trade; a new piece of Frugality among men of quality in keeping their mistresses in their own dwelling-houses; Beggars & Scotchmen, their respective consumption of white bread, 'with diverse other entertaining subjects, serious and comical.'"—Secondhand-book Catalogue.

p. 29. Dame Nature. "And eek we been alle of o fader, and of o mooder; and alle we been of o nature, roten and corrupt, both riche and poure."—CHAUCER, Parson's Tale, Group I, 461, Ellesmere MS., p. 621.

p. 31. Other nations dress. Compare in Andrew Boorde's Introduction the High German's 'I wyll not chaunge my olde father's fashyon,' p. 159; the Dane's 'Symple rayment shal serue me ful wel; My old fashion I do vse to kepe,' p. 163; the Bohemian's 'Of our apparel we were neuer nyce; We be content if our cotes be of fryce,' p. 166; the Hungarian's 'The fashion of my apparel, I do neuer chaunge', p. 171; the Sicilian's 'we loue no newe fashions', p. 176; the Neapolitan's 'Al new fashyons to Englond I do bequeue; I am content with my meane aray', p. 177; the Italian's 'in my apparel I am not mutable', p. 178.

p. 31, last line. English Men's absurd dress is contrasted with the Italians' sober dress, in Coryat's *Crudities*, 1611, p. 259, quoted in *Harrison*, Pt. II. p. 64.

p. 31. Pride & Luxury in England.

"Who can endure to see
The fury of men's gullets and their groins?
What fires, what cooks, what kitchens, might be spared?
What stews, ponds, parks, coops, garners, magazines?
What velvets, tissues, scarfs, embroideries,
And laces they might lack? . . . what need hath nature
Of silver dishes or gold chamber-pots?
Of perfumed napkins, or a numerous family
To see her eat?"

1625. - Ben Jonson, The Staple of News, III. ii. Works, ii. 314, col. 1.

p. 32: new fangles:—"Cilachi, iests, toyes, new fangles." 1598 Florio, Worlde of Wordes.

p. 33. English valuables exchanged for foreign trifles: see Harrison, I.? In The Three Ladies of London, by R. W., 1584, Hazlitt's Dodsley, vi. 276, Lucre speaks thus of English exports and imports there:—

"Thou must carry over wheat, pease, barley, oats, and vetches, and all kind of

Which is well sold beyond sea, and bring such merchants great gain.

Then thou must carry beside, leather, tallow, beef, bacon, bell-metal and everything:

And for these good commodities, trifles into England thou must bring,

As bugles to make bables, coloured bones, glass beads to make bracelets withal,

For every day gentlewomen of England do ask for such trifles from stall to stall:

And you must bring more, as amber, jet, coral, crystal, and every such bable That is slight, pretty, and pleasant: they care not to have it profitable. And if they demand wherefore your wares and merchandise agree, You must say 'jet will take up a straw: amber will make one fat: Coral will look pale when you be sick, and crystal staunch blood,' So with lying, flattering and glosing, you must utter your ware, And you shall win me to your will, if you can deceitfully swear."

Lucre. Then, Signor Mercatore, I am forthwith to send ye From hence to search for some new toys in Barbary and in Turkey; Such trifles as you think will please wantons best, For you know in this country 'tis their chiefest request.

Mercatore. Indeed, de gentlewomans here by so much vain toys, Dat we strangers laugh-a to tink wherein day have their joys."

1584.—R. W., The Three Ladies of London, Hazlitt's Dodsley, vi. 306.

'Triquedondaines: f. All kind of superfluous trifles weed, or vsually bought, by women; hence, any trash, nifles, or paltrie stuffe.' 1611.—Cotgrave.

p. 33. Compare a modern writer:—"The hard times are slowly and surely working out their own cure. It is a painful and tedious process, but one sure in

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the end to restore health to the business interests of the country—not the feverish speculative activity that followed the war, and continued until the crash of 1873, but a condition of moderate and reliable prosperity. People are adapting their habits to their reduced incomes, are denying themselves useless luxuries, and are discovering that they can live just as comfortably with less outside display. The importations of foreign goods have fallen largely, and for the first time in sixteen years the balance of trade is in favour of the United States, a calamity to the importers, no doubt, but a benefit to the country at large. Fewer velvets, laces, diamonds, Worth's dresses, French wines, and gimeracks are brought across the Atlantic, but no political economist will see anything but a hopeful sign in that fact."—Daily News, Oct. 5, 1876, p. 6, col. 1, United-States' Correspondent.

p. 33, l. 16; p. 65, l. 16: farrefetched and deare boughte is good for Ladyes:—
"Mendosa. What shape! Why, any quick-done fiction... some such anything. Some far-fat trick good for ladies, some stale-toy or other, no matter so 't be of our devising."—Marston & Webster's Malcontent, V. ii., Webster's Works, ed. Dyce, 1857, p. 358, col. 2. Dyce notes far-fat, i. e. far-fetched. An allusion to the proverb, "Far-fat is good for ladies." So in Jonson's Cynthia's Revels, Act IV. sc. i, "Marry, and this may be good for us ladies; for it seems 'tis far-fat by their stay." See my Tell-Troth, p. 6, l. 7, & Stafford, N. Sh. Soc. p. 106; also Lyly's Euphues, p. 33, 'far fet, and dere bought, is good for ladies.' Again:—

"Mineuer. God neuer gaue me the grace to be a Lady, yet I have all implements belonging to the vocation of a Lady.

Sir Vaughan. I trust, mistris Mineuer, you han all a honest oman shud

Mineuer. Yes perdie, as my Coach, and my fan, and a man or two that serue my turne, and other things which Ide bee loath enery one should see, because they shal not be common. I am in manner of a Lady in one point.

Sir Vaughan. I pray, mistris Mineuers, let vs all see that point for our better understanding.

Mineuer. For I ha some thinges that were fetcht (I am sure) as farre as some of the Low Countries; and I payde sweetly for them too; and they tolde me they were good for Ladies." 1602.—T. Dekker, Satiromastix. Works, 1873, i. 204. See too Latimer's use of the phrase, p. 254 below.

p. 33, p. 52. Pride in England. Peasants' dress & extravagance.

The pride of "And the pride of England is, as it were, set up upon the highest mountain of the world, seen and scorned even of the very infidels of the earth: such as know not God make marvel of our monstrous attire, which exceedeth not only in cost and colour, but in weight and fashion. O pull it down: it is not fit for such as are taking the way to the kingdome of heaven; it agreeth not with the guest which lodgeth in us the Spirit of God; it is no fit ornament to deck the house of our silly souls, for it stinketh and polluteth all corners of the house. O remove it, and send every country his fashion again: be not beholden to any nation for such trumpery, neither to the garment-maker, whose study therein, though it please the vain-glorious for a time, it will bring repentance, too late, to the work and the workman. It is from the court come

into the country, a dangerous evil, and hath infected the poor ploughman, that a year's wages sufficeth not one suit of attire. If I should tell all, The carte and ploughman exceedthe carter would step in with his courtly gards, and will defy eth in pride him that is not of the fashion; men and women, the rich and the poor, the old and the young, are too far gone in this sickness: the Lord give a timely medicine lest we perish therein." 1596.-J. Norden, Progress of Piety (Parker Soc.), pp. 172-3. Compare also the Surveyor John Norden (is he the same as the writer of the religious tracts?):-"where in those days [Henry VI's] Farmers and their wives were content with meane dyet and base attire, and held their children to some austere gouernment, without haunting Alehouses, Tauerns, Dice, Cards, & vaine delites of charge, the case is altred: the Husbandman will be equal to the Yoman, the Yoman to the Gentleman, the Gentleman to the Squire, the Squire [to] his Superiour, and so the rest, every one so farre exceeding the corruptions [? consumptions] held in former times, that I will speake without reprehension, there is at this day thirty times as much vainely spent in a family of like multitude and quality, as was in former ages whereof I speake." 1607.-John Norden, The Surveyors Dialogue, p. 14.

p. 36, l. 12: his wife her perswasions. See note on p. 36, l. 3, of Tell Troth New Sh. Soc.—S.

p. 36, l. 10 from foot: some are so brasen faced & so impudent, &-c. Cf. Two Gen. of Ver., II. vii. ll. 53—56 (Lucetta and the codpiece to Julia's round hose), and Much Ado, III. iii. l. 146 (Hercules & the same article).—S.

p. 37: in leather. Compare Edward III, II. ii. 120, Leopold Shakspere, p. 1044, col. 1: "Since leathern Adam till this youngest hour."

p. 39, l. 7: it maketh a man to bee accepted and esteemed of.

"Keep good clothes on thy backe, and nearely weare them; What want soeuer comes, doe not pawne them; For, once being gotten in the Deuils iawes, He will surely keepe them in with his pawes. In thy Apparell be something clenly, Though in thy purse thou hast neu'r a penny: Men may in some measure it esteeme thee, And a farther grace happily giue thee. Doe not seeme bace, though penilesse thou art; But looke about, of whom to get a part."

1613. - The Vncasing of Machivils Instructions to his Sonne, p. 15.

p. 42, l. 8 from foot: what prevayleth it to be borne of worshipfull progenie, &c. Compare Chaucer's Gentleness in Scogan's Poem in Thynne's Chaucer, If. 380, bk, col. 1; Urry's, p. 547, col. 1; Morris's, vol. vi, p. 296.

"This firste stoke was ful of rightwisnesse,
Trewe of his worde, soboure, pitous and free,
Cleene of his gooste, and lovid besynesse,
Ageynste the vice of slowthe in honeste;

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And, but his heire loue vertu, as did he, He nis not gentille, thouhe him richë seme, Al were he mytre, corone, or diademe."

'The idea of course is not new. It is found frequently enough in the Greek & Latin literature. It occurs, we believe, for the first time in the fragments of Epicharmus:—

άγαθὸς δ' ἄνηρ Κάν' 'Αιθίοψ καὶ δοῦλος, εὐγενης έφυ

and afterwards it is found in Euripides, Horace, Juvenal, —"Stemmata quid faciunt?" and lastly in Seneca. Doubtless Jean de Meung took it from Seneca.'
—W. Besant, in the British Quarterly Review, Oct. 1871, p. 388. See Shakspere's Meas. for Meas., Tennyson's Lady Clara Vere de Vere, &c.

- p. 43, l. 14: tagge and ragge. Compare John Partridge in The Worthie Historie of . . Plasidas, 1566, "To walles they go, both tagge and ragge, Their citie to defende," and the other quotations in Mr. H. B. Wheatley's Dict. of Reduplicated Words, Philolog. Soc. 1865, p. 85-6,
- p. 44. Pride & Appard. See Chaucer's Parson's Tale (Works, ed. Morris, iii. 296-8) on Pride, as shown "in superfluite of clotheynge" in his day, the embroidering, indenting, waving, furring, chisel-punching, dagging, of gowns, their trailing in the mire; the short coats and tight particolourd hose or breeches showing the shameful members of man, and making em look as if flayn, &c. &c. See also Piers Plowman, Roberde of Brunne's Handlyng Synne, &c.

p. 49, 1. 5: abhorring the christian povertie, &c.

"Be rich, I say; nay boy, be rich and wise!
Gold is an actious [so] mettle for the eyes.
Why? rich men haue much monie and gaie geare,
And goodly houses, and most daintie cheare;
Faire wiues, fine pictures, playes and morris-dances,
And many cheates, that come by many chances;
Fine Ciuet-boxes, sweet perfumes, and waters,
And twentie other such kind of matters.
While the poore man, that pines for want of friends,
May sit and sigh, and picke his fingers ends,
And euery morning wash his face with teares,
And wipe his blubbered cheekes with sheualed heares.
It is a heauie sence, where coyne is wanting;
At such a time of care, friends are scanting."

1613 .- The Vncasing of Machivils Instructions to his Sonne, p. 22.

p. 52, l. 6: liquide matter which they call Starch. Howell relates that Mrs. Turner, the poisoner of Sir Thomas Overbury, "the first inventress of yellow Starch was executed in a Cobweb Lawn Ruff of that colour at Tyburn; and with her I believe that yellow Starch, which so much disfigured our Nation, and rendered them so ridiculous and fantastic, will receive its Funeral."—Epistola Ho-Eliana, p. 19, ed. 1737.—S.

p. 53, last line: if they stand uppon their pantoffles. See notes in Tell Troth on p. 55, last line.—S.

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See Harrison's amusing Chapter 7, in his Book II, our Part I, p. 167; Father Hubburds Tales at the end of Dyce's Middleton, vol. v, &c.

p. 49, 60. Spanish, French, & Dutch fashion. Men's changeable fashions and Women's extravagant dress also movd Schoolmaster Averell to wrath in 1588. In his "A meruailous combat of contrarieties. Malignantlie striuing in the members of mans bodie allegoricallie representing unto us the enuied state of our florishing Common wealth: wherin dialogue-wise by the way, are touched the extreame vices of this present time, & & & & ... by W. A." he makes "The Bellie" say (sig. B. 1 & 2):—

"Why, had euer Premetheus more shapes, then the backe sutes? or ye Hydra more new heads then the back new Garments? not so variable for their matter, as changable for their fashion: to daie French, to morrowe English, the next day Spanish, to daie Italianate, to morrow for fashion a deuill incarnat, O tempora, e mores! To daie you shine in sutes of silke, to morrow you iet it out in cloth of Golde, one daie in blacke for show of grauitie, an other daie in white in token of brauerie, this day that cullour, the next day another, nowe short wasted, anon long bellied, by and by after great Buttoned, and straight after plaine laced, or els your Buttons as strange for smalnes, as they were monstrous before for greatnes, this yeere bumbd like a Barrell, the next shottend like a Herring, nowe your hose hang loose like a bowe case, the next daie as straite as a pudding skinne, one while buskind for lack of stocks, another while booted for want of shooes, and thus from you that are the grand Maister, doo the inferiour members fetch their fashions, & these be the mutabilities of men."

[The continuation of the passage, on Women, is on p. 253, below.]

See too Burton's Anatomy of Melancholy, Part III. Sect. 2, Memb. 3, subs. 3. "Artificial Allurements," p. 295 of edition 1676:—

"Women are bad, & men worse; no difference at all betwirt their & our times. Good manners (as Seneca complains) are extinct with wantonness: in tricking up themselves men go beyond women, they wear harlots colours, and do not walk, but jet and dance, hic mulier, hac vir, more like Players, Butterflies, Baboons, Apes, Anticks, than men. So ridiculous moreover are we in our attires, and for cost so excessive, that as Hierom said of old, 'Vno filo villarum insunt pretia, uno lino decies sestertium inseritur'; 'tis an ordinary thing to put a thousand Oaks, & an hundred Oxen into a suit of apparel, to wear a whole mannor on his back. What with shoo-ties, hangers, points, caps and feathers, scarfs, bands, cuffs, &c., in a short space their whole patrimonies are consumed."

Compare also Harrison, Pt. I. p. 343, and Shakspere, in Henry VIII, I. i. 80-85, 'many Have broke their backs with laying manors on 'em For this great journey,' &c. Also in Histrio-mastix, by Peele and Marston, 1590-1600, pr.

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1610, we find the Serving man saying to his master (School of Shakspere, ii. 47):-

"We breake your backs? No! 'tis your rich lac'd sutes,
And straight lac'd mutton: those break all your backs."

See too in 'A Supplycacyon to . . Kynge Henry the Eyght,' 1544 (E. E. T. Soc., 1871, p. 52): "Is there not suche excesse and costelynes of apparel / bycause of dyneryte and chausge of fasshyons, that scarce a worshipfull mans landes, which in tymes paste was wonte to fynde and maynteyne twenty or thirty tall yowemen / a good plentyfull howsholde for the releyfe and comforte of many poor and neadye / and the same nowe is not suffycyent and able to maynteyne the heyre of the same landes / his wiffe / her gentle woman or mayde / two yowmen / and one lackey? The pryncypall cause herof is their costly apparell / and specially their manyfolde and dynerse chaunges of fasshyons whiche the man, and specially the woman, muste weare vpon bothe headde and bodye. Somtyme cappe / somtyme hoode / nowe the Frenshe fasshyon, nowe the Spanyshe fasshyon; than the Italyan fasshyon / and then the Myllen fasshyon; so that there is noo ende of consumynge of substance . . and all to please the prowde folyshe man and womans fantasye. Hereof spryngethe great myserye and neede." See too the Note for p. 53, -l. 4-6, p. 245, below.

p. 49, 1. 9: one sute for the forenoone, &c. See the note from Bp. Pilkington (for p. 58), p. 248, below.

p. 50: hats, standing collars, ruffs, shoestrings, &c.

"Good Card-makers (if there be any goodnes in you) Apparrell vs with more respected Care, Put vs in Hats, our Caps are worne thread-bare, Let vs haue standing Collers, in the fashion: (All are become a stiffe-necke generation) Rose Hat-hands, with the shagged-ragged-Ruffe: Great Cabbage-shooestrings (pray you bigge enough) French Doublet, and the Spanish Hose to breech it: Short Cloakes, like old Mandilions (wee beseech it) Exchange our Swords, and take away our Bils, Let vs haue Rapiers, (knaues loue fight that kils!) Put vs in Bootes, and make vs leather legs, This, Harts most humbly, and his fellowes, begs."

1612.—Samuel Rowlands, The Knave of Harts (1874, Hunterian Club, p. 12-13).

The dress obtaind is describd in Rowlands's More Knaues yet 1 (1611?) sign. A 4 (ed. 1874 and p. 5):—

". . now the honest Printer hath bin kinde, Bootes, and Stockins, to our Legs doth finde, Garters, Polonia Heeles, and Rose Shooe-strings, Which somwhat vs two Knaues in fashion brings . . .

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¹ See the extract from Howes, in Harrison, Pt. II, p. 31*.

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Well, other friends I hope we shall beseech

For the great large abhominable breech

Like Brewers Hopsackes: yet, since new they be,

Each knaue will haue them, and why should not wee?

Some Laundresse we also will entreate

For Bands and Ruffes

Scarffes we doe want to hange our weapons by . . .

hats of newest blocke" . .

p. 50. Hat & feathers, &c.

"His hat, himselfe, small crowne and huge great brim, Faire outward show, and little wit within.

And all the band with feathers he doth fill, Which is a signe of a fantastick still,

As sure as (some doe tell me) evermore

A goate 1 doth stand before a brothell dore.

His clothes perfum'd, his fustie mouth is ayred,

His chynne new swept, his very cheekes are glared."

1598.—Jn. Marston, Satyre III. Works, 1856, iii. 223-4: see p. 216 too.

p. 51: feathers, wings, breeches, cloak, rapier, hangers, boots, spurs. The dress of a young dandy in 1604 is thus described by T. M. in his Father Hubburds Tales, reprinted (in modern spelling) at the end of vol. v. of Dyce's ed. of Middleton's Works, as probably Middleton's. "At last, to close up the lamentable tragedy of us ploughmen, enters our young landlord, so metamorphosed into the shape of a French puppet, that at the first we started, and thought one of the baboons had marched-in in man's apparel. His head was dressed up in white feathers like a shuttlecock, which agreed so well with his brain, being nothing but cork, that two of the biggest of the guard might very easily have tossed him with battledores, and made good sport with him in his majesty's great hall. His doublet was of a strange cut; and shew the furye of his humour, the collar of it rose up so high and sharp as if it would have cut his throat by daylight. His wings, 2 according to the fashion now, were as little and diminutive as a puritan's ruff, which shewed he ne'er meant to fly out of England, nor do any exploit beyond sea, but live and die about London, though he begged in Finsbury. His breeches, a wonder to see, were full as deep 3 as the middle of winter, or the roadway between London and Winchester, and so longe and wide withal, that I think within a twelvemonth he might very well put all his lands in

¹ The emblem of lechery, as the sparrow also was. See the picture of Lechery in the Cambr. Univ. Library's MS. Gg. 4. 27, Chaucer's Parson's Tale, autotyped for the Chaucer Society.

Tale, autotyped for the Chaucer Society.

2 See p. 524, Dyce's Middledon, v: T. M.'s Blacke Booke, 1604: "apparelled in villanous packthread, in a wicked suit of coarse hop-bags, the wings and skirts faced with the ruins of dishclouts." 'Wings, lateral prominencies extending from each shoulder.' Whalley's note on B. Jonson's Works, ii. 103, ed. Giff.

^{3 &#}x27;They strangle and cloke more velvet in a deep-gathered hose, than would serve to line through my lord What-call-ye-him's coach.' 1604.—T. M., Blacke Booke. Dyce's Middleton, v. 524.

Notes on p. 51. A Dandy's Dress in 1604.

them; and then you may imagine they were big enough, when they would outreach a thousand acres: moreover, they differed so far from our [old] fashioned hose¹ in the country, and from his father's old gascoynes, ² that his back-part seemed to us like a monster; the roll of the breeches standing so low, that we conjectured his house of office, sir-reverence, stood in his hams. All this while his French monkey bore his cloak of three pounds a yard, lined clean through with purple velvet, which did so dazzle our coarse eyes, that we thought we should have been purblind ever after, what with the prodigal aspect of that and his glorious rapier and hangers all bost [= embosst] with pillars of gold, fairer in show than the pillars in Paul's or the tombs at Westminster; beside, it drunk up the price of all my plough-land in very pearl, which stuck as thick upon these hangers as the white measles upon a hog's flesh. When I had well viewed that gay gandy cloak and those unthrifty wasteful hangers, I muttered thus to myself: 'That is no cloak for the pain, sure; nor those no hangers for Derrick'; when of a sudden, casting mine eyes lower, I beheld a curious pair of boots of king Philip's [= Spanish] leather, in such artificial wrinkles, sets and plaits, as if they had been starched lately and came new from the laundress's, such was my ignorance and simple acquaintance with the fashion, and I dare swear my fellows and neighbours here are all as ignorant as myself. But that which struck us most into admiration; upon those fantastical boots stood such huge and wide tops, which so swallowed up his thighs, that had he sworn as other gallants did, this common oath, 'would I might sink as I stand!' all his body might very well have sunk down and been damned in his boots. Lastly he walked the chamber with such a pestilent gingle 5 that his spurs oversqueaked the lawyer, and made him reach his voice three notes above his fee; but after we had spied the rowels of his spurs, how we blest ourselves! they did so much and so far exceed the compass of our fashion, that they looked more like the forerunners of wheelbarrows. Thus was our young landlord accoutred in such a strange and prodigal shape [= dress] that it amounted to above two years' rent in apparel."-T. M. The Ant and the Nightingale, or Father Hubburds Tales, 1604.

> "Asper.. But that a rook, by wearing a pyed feather, The cable hatband, or the three-piled ruff, A yard of shoe-tye, or the Switzer's knot

³ See note, Dyce's Middleton, ii. 227. 1 breeches. ² galligaskins. 4 "There is no fool to the satin fool, the velvet fool, the perfumed fool; and therefore the witty tailors of this age put them, under colour of kindness, into a pair of cloth bags, where a voider will not serve the turn." 1602.—Return from Parnassus. Hazlitt's Dodsley, ix. 184.

⁵ 'Caused by the large loose rowels which are presently mentioned; they were commonly of silver.' Compare-

[&]quot;Fastidious Brisk. . . my gray hobby . . a fine fiery little slave, he runs like a-oh, excellent, excellent-with the very sound of the spur.

How! the sound of the spur?

Fast. O, it's your only humour now extant, sir: a good gingle, a good gingle." 1599. - Ben Jonson, Every Mun out of his Humour, II. i., Works, i. 80, col. 2; and in II. ii. p. 93, col. 2:
"Fungoso. 1 had spurs of mine own before, but they were not ginglers."

On his French garters, should affect a humour!
O, it is more than most ridiculous."

Ben Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour (acted 1599). Induction, Works, ed. Cunningham, i. 67, col. I. See the Cap's complaint about the Feathers stuck in him in "A Pleasaunt! Dialogue or Disputa!tion between the Cap, and the Head." 1564, quoted in my Thynne's Animadversions (E. E. T. Soc.), p. cxxxi.

p. 51, l. 3: hats without bands; feathers in hats, searfs, &c.

"EPIGRAMS. Epig. 27. Aske Humors, why a Feather he doth weare? It is his humor (by the Lord) heele sweare. Or what he doth with such a Horse-taile locke? Or why vpon a Whoore he spendes his stocke? He hath a Humor doth determine so. Why in the Stop-throate fashion doth he go, With Scarfe about his necke? Hat without band? It is his humor, sweete sir, vnderstand . . . Object, why Bootes and Spurres are still in season? His Humor answeres: Humor is the reason. If you perceive his wittes in wetting shrunke, It commeth of a Humor, to be drunke. When you behould his lookes pale, thin, and poore, Th' occ[a]sion is, his Humor, and a Whore: And every thing that he doth vndertake, It is a vaine, for sencelesse Humors sake."

1600.—S. Rowlands, The Letting of Humours Blood in the Head-Vaine, sign. C (ed. 1874, p. 33).

p. 51, &c.: dress, & starcht ruffs & rabatos.—"There was then [in Adam's days] neither the Spanish slop, nor the skipper's galligaskin, the Switzer's blistered codpiece 1, nor the Danish sleeve sagging down like a Welsh wallet, the Italian's close strosser, nor the French standing collar: your treble-quadruple dædalian ruffs, nor your stiffnecked rabatos, that have more arches for Pride to row under than can stand under five London bridges, durst not then set themselves out in print, for the patent for starch could by no means be signed. Fashions then was counted a disease, and horses died of it 2; but now, thanks to folly, it is held the only rare physic, and the purest golden asses live upon it." 1609.— T. Dekker. Gals Hornbook, ch. i., ed. 1862, p. 8.

¹ See Coryal's Crudities on this. Rowlands makes it Danish:—

[&]quot;His faces chiefest ornament, is nose, Full furnished with many a Clarret staine, As large as any Codpiece of a Dane, Embossed curious:"

^{1600.—}S. Rowlands, Letting of Humours Blood, sign. D 3 (1874, p. 53).

² Lobado en el cuerpo, bunches in the flesh, the fashion in a horse, Tuber struma. 1591. R. Perciuale. Spanish Dict. 'Lóbado, m. bunches in the flesh' a disease in a horse, called the fashions.' 1623. Jn. Minsheu's enlargd Perciuale.

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p. 51. Ruff & Band, &c. (See p. 259 below, note on p. 70-1.,)

"Behold, at length in London streetes he showes.

His ruffe did eate more time in neatest setting,
Then Woodstocks worke in painfull perfecting;
It hath more doubles farre than Ajax shield,
When he gainst Troy did furious battle weild.
Nay, he doth weare an embleme bout his neck;
For under that fayre ruffe so sprucely set,
Appeares a fall, a falling-band forsooth!
O dapper, rare, compleate, sweet nittie youth!
Jesu Maria! How his clothes appeare
Crost and recrost with lace! sure, for some feare
Least that some spirit with a tippet mace
Should with a gastly show affright his face."

1598.—Jn. Marston, Satyre 111., Works, 1856, iii. 223.

p. 52. "Lambskin. My father was a starch-maker, and my mother a laundress; so, being partners, they did occupy 1 long together before they were married; then was I born." 1632.—Wm. Rowley, A Woman never vexed, in Hazlitt's Dodsley, xii. 137.

p. 52, second side-note: Every pesant hath his stately bands. See Fairholt's capital quotations in Hist. of Costume in England, p. 216, from Lodge's Wits Miserie, 1596, and Euphues Golden Legacie, 1592. The first is, "The plowman, that in times past was contented in russet, must now a daies have his doublet of the fashion, with wide cuts, his garters of fine silk of Granada, to meet his Sis on Sunday. The farmer, that was contented in times past with his russet frock and mockado sleeves, now sells a cow against Easter, to buy him silken geere for his credit." See too in Harrison, II, 36*, what Howes says: "men of meane ranke weare Garters and shooe Roses, of more then fiue pound price; and some weare scarffes from ten pounds a piece, vnto thirtie pounds or more. The like may be truly said concerning wrought Wastcoates." The dresses of a smart Tailor (p. 19), a Baker (p. 29), a Dancing-master, and a Vintner (p. 30), a Grasier (p. 31), an Informer (p. 32), a Husbandman (p. 33), a Cumberland copyholder's family (p. 35), are described in The Debate between Pride and Lowliness wrongly ascribed to Francis Thynne, old Shakesp. Soc. 1841. The author has 15 men on his Jury, and rejects 3: Greene, in his prose Quip for an Upstart Courtier, which was modelled on the earlier poem, has 24 men in his Jury, and rejects 27: this Quip should be read for its sketches of the characters. See my Trial-Forewords to my Six-Text of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, p. 101-2.

^{1 &#}x27;Enjoy, in the sense of a man having knowledge of a woman. Doll Tearsheet says of Pistol, in the Second Part of Henry IV, "These villains will make the word 'captain' as odious as the word occupy, which was an excellent good word before it was ill-sorted." See Nares, edit. 1859 in v.; and Percy Folio MS. Loose and Humorous Songs, p. 29.

p. 53, l. 4-6: result of extravagance in dress, &c:-

"'yet take . . the cost with the pleasure, and tell me then if once in seauen yeares, when your state is weakened and your Land wasted, your Woods untimbered, your Pastures vnstored, and your Houses decayed: then tell me whether you find the prouerbe true, of the Courtier young and old." ¹ 1618.—N. Breton, The Court and Country (1868), p. 178. See too the interesting 'Health to the Gentlemanly profession of Seruingmen,' by I. M., 1598, in the same vol. Hazlitt's Inedited Tracts, 1868, p. 95; also, Quips upon Questions, 1600, sign, G 2.

"Carlo.—First, to be an accomplished gentleman, that is, a gentleman of the time, you must give over housekeeping in the country, and live altogether in the city amongst gallants; where, at your first appearance, 'twere good you turnal four or five hundred acres of your best land into two or three trunks of apparel."

1599.—Ben Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour, I. i., Works, ed. Cunningham, i. 73, col. 1. In II. i, p. 87, col. 2, Fungoso puts the cost of his suit at about £40 of our money: "Let me see, the doublet: say fifty shillings the doublet; and between three or [= and] four pound the hose; then boots, hat, and band: some ten or eleven pound will do it all, and suit me, for the heavens."

1596-8.—Ben Jonson, Every Man in his Humour, II. ii., Works, ed. Cunningham, i. 21, col. I.

p. 53: shirts. When Fastidious Brisk is describing the articles of his dress injured in his duel, in Ben Jonson's Every Man out of his Humour (acted A.D. 1599; 4to. 1600, fol. 1616), IV. iv, Carlo says, "I wonder he speaks not of his wrought shirt" [he does, 14 lines lower]; and Gifford notes: "The linen, both of men and women, was either so worked as to resemble the finest lace, or was ornamented, by the needle, with representations of fruits, flowers, passages of history," &c. The Puritans, it appears, turned the mode to account, and substituted texts of Scripture for the usual embellishments. There is a pleasant allusion to this practice in the City Match:

"Sir, she's a Puritan at her needle too:

My smock sleeves have such holy embroideries,
And are so learned, that I fear in time
All my apparell will be quoted by
Some pure instructor."

Works, ed. Cunningham, i. 120, Act II, sc. ii.

In Ben Jonson's Every Man out of his Humour (1590) Puntarvolo describes his dress in the account of his duel with Luculento: "He again lights me here,—

1613.—The Vncasing of Machivils Instructions to his Sonne: With the Answere to the same, p. 7.

^{1 &}quot;And if thou be a Courtier, know thy place: But do not serue for onely shew of grace, But let thy profit answere thy expence, Least want do proue a wofull patience, And thou do proue the prouerbe often tolde, 'A carelesse Courtier yong, a Begger olde.'"

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I had on a gold cable hatband, then new come up, which I wore about a murrey French hat I had, -cuts my hatband, -and yet it was massy goldsmith's workcuts my brims, which, by good fortune, being thick embroidered with gold twist and spangles, disappointed the force of the blow: nevertheless it grazed on my shoulder, takes me away six purls of an Italian cut-work band I wore, cost me three pound in the Exchange but three days before . . . He, making a reverse blow, falls upon my embossed girdle-I had thrown off the hangers 1 . . strikes off a skirt of a thick-laced satin doublet I had, lined with four taffatas, cuts off two panes embroidered with pearl, rends through the drawings-out of tissue, enters the linings, and skips the flesh . . . not having leisure to put off my silver spurs, one of the rowels catched hold of the ruffle 2 of my boot, and being Spanish leather, and subject to tear, overthrows me, rends me two pair of silk stockings that I put on,-being somewhat a raw morning,-a peach colour and another, and strikes me some half inch deep into the side of the calf; he . . takes horse, and away; I, having bound up my wound with a piece of my wrought shirt . . rid after him." Act IV. sc. iv. Works, ed. Cunningham, i. 119, col. 2.

- p. 54: men tender now.—Cp. Harrison, Part I, p. 337-8, "when our houses were builded of willow, then had we oken men; but now that our houses are come to be made of oke, our men are not onlie become willow, but a great manie... altogither of straw," &c.
- p. 55. Dublets with great bellies. "Fungoso. look you, that's the suit, sir: I would have mine such a suit without difference, such stuff, such a wing, such a sleeve, such a shirt, belly and all; therefore, pray you observe it." 1599.—Ben Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour, III. i., Works, i. 101, col. 1.
- p. 56. With Canions annexed. See the Velure-canioned hobbyhorses, in Northward Ho, p. 231 above. "Canons de Chausses, Cannyons. Chausses à queut de merlus, Round breeches with strait cannions; hauing in the seat a peece like a fishes tayle; and worne by old men, schollers, and such like niggardlie or needie persons." 1611.—Cotgrave. "Canions were rolls of stuff which terminated the breeches or hose at the knee (fig. 135," [where 2 heavyish rolls or sausages all round the knee are cut]), Fairholt: he refers to Henslowe's diary, "under April, 1598, he [H.] disburses £6 8s. for a bugell doblett and a payer of paned hose of bugell panes drawne out with cloth of silver and canyons to the same," &c.
 - p. 56: gally-hosen; also Gally-gascoynes. See that word in Fairholt, p. 454.
- p. 56: hosen of a Marke price.—This was an extravagant price in William Rufus's day, when 3s. was the figure. See the anecdote about the king's hose in Robert of Gloster's Chronicle, quoted by Fairholt under hose, p. 512.
- p. 56: trunk hose. "Sometimes I have seene Tarleton play the clowne, and vse no other breeches than such sloppes or slivings as now many gentlemen weare:

² The turn-over fringe or scollop of fine leather, often edgd with gold lace. "Ruffle your brow like a new boot." Ib. I. i. p. 73.

^{1 &}quot;The fringed loops appended to the girdle, in which the dagger or small sword usually hung."

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they are almost capable of a bushel of wheate; and if they be of sackecloth, they would serve to carrie mawlt to the mill. This absurd, clownish, and unseemly attire, only by custome now is not misliked, but rather approved." 1601.—Thos. Wright. The Passions of the Minde in generall. (Dedicated to Lord Southampton; and has Verses by Ben Jonson.) See also the interesting extracts and cut in Fairholt's Costume, p. 217. He was before me, I see, in quoting the following:—

"When Tarlton clown'd it in a pleasant vaine,
And with conceites, did good opinions gaine
Vpon the Stage, his merry humors shop,
Clownes knew the Clowne, by his great clownish slop.
But now th'are gull'd, for present fashion sayes,
Dicke Tarltons part, Gentlemens breeches playes:
In euery streete where any Gallant goes,
The swagg'ring Sloppe, is Tarltons clownish hose."

1600.—S. Rowlands, The Letting of Humours Blood in the Head-Vaine, C 2, back (ed. 1874, p. 36). See too the bit from More Knaves Yet, p. 240, above, and Ben Jonson's "I'll go near to fill that huge tumbrel-slop of yours with somewhat, an I have good luck: your Garagantua breech cannot carry it away so." 1598—1601.—Every Man in his Humour, II. ii, Works, i. 18, col. I.

"And for false cards and dice, let my great slops,
And his big bellied dublet both be sercht,
And see which harbors most hypocrisie."

1606.—No-Body and Some-Body, Simpson's School of Shakspere, i. 353.

"The rest of France takes the modell of the court, as a rule unto it selfe to follow. Let Courtiers first begin to leave off and loath these filthy and apish breeches, that so openly shew our secret parts: the bumbasting of long pease-codbellied doublets, which makes us seeme so far from what we are, and which are so combersome to arme: These long, effeminate, and dangling locks: That fond custome to kisse what we present to others, and Beso las manos in saluting of our friends: (a ceremonie heretofore only due unto Princes:)" 1603.—J. Florio, Montaignes Essayes, 1634, p. 146.

"In our Old Plays, the humor Love and Passion, Like Doublet, Hose and Cloak, are out of fashion."

1667.—Prologue to James Shirley's Love-Tricks, first calld The Schoole of Complement, 1631. (Shirley died in Oct. 1666.)

p. 57: nether-stockes, the stockings, as distinguisht from the hose, when the latter became breaches. See the Debate between Pride and Lowliness—wrongly attributed to Francis Thynne, from the forged 'F, Th.' on its title-page—'The neather stockes of pure Granada silke,' and other authorities quoted by Fairholt, Costume in England, 1860, p. 211.

p. 57: shoes.—See Fairholt, Costume in England, p. 385-7. "Pinsnet, apparently the same as Pinson, a thin-soled shoe. 'Calceamen and calcearium is

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a shoo, pinson, socke."—Withals' Dictionarie, ed. 1608, p. 211." Nares, by Halliwell and Wright. Pinçon, pinçonnet are not in any French Dictionary or Glossary that Mr. Henry Nicol or I can find; and my friend Prof. Paul Meyer doesn't know the words. See p. 266 below.

p. 58: boots with wide tops.—"if thy quicksilver can run so far on thy errand as to fetch thee boots out of S. Martin's, let it be thy prudence to have the tops of them wide as the mouth of a wallet, and those with fringed boot-hose over them to hang down to thy ancles." 1609.—T. Dekker. Guls Hornbook, ch. iii. (1862), p. 16.

Instead of high-soled cork shoes, the earlier dandies had piked ones: See the passage at the end of Gregory's Chronicle, after his death, p. 238. Camden Soc. 1876. "A.D. 1468-9. Alle so that yere the Pope sende a bulle for the Cordyners, and cursyd thoo that made any longe pykys passynge ij yenchys of lengthe, and that no Cordyner shuld not sylle no schone a-pone the Sonday, ne put no schoo a-pon no man-ys fote, ne goo to noo fayrys a-pon the Sonday, uppon payne of cursynge. And the kynge grauntyd in a conselle and in the Parlement that hyt shulde be put in excecussyon, and thys was proclaymyd at Poulys Crosse. And sum men sayd that they wolde were longe pykys whethyr Pope wylle or nylle, for they sayde the Popys curse wolde not kylle a flye. God amend thys! And within schorte tyme aftyr, sum of the Cordyners gate prevy selys and proteccyons to make long pykys, and causyd tho same men of hyr crafte that laboryd to the Pope for the destruccyon of longe pykys to be trobelyd and in grete donger."

"1582. In this Queenes dayes [Anne of Bohemia, Rich. II's Queen], began the detestable vse of piked shooes, tyed to their knees with chaines of siluer and gilt. Also noble women vsed high attire on their heads, piked like hornes, with long trained gownes, and rode on side saddles, after the example of the Queene, who first brought that fashion into this land, for before, women were vsed to ride astride like men." 1605.—In. Stowe. Annales, p. 471.

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"But these tender pernels must have one gown for the day, another for the night; one long, another short; one for winter, another for summer; one furred through, another but faced; one for the work day, another for the holy day; one of this colour, and another of that; one of cloth, another of silk or damask; change of apparel, one afore dinner, another after, one of Spanish fashion, another Turkey; and to be brief, never content with enough, but always devising new fashions and strange; yea, a ruffian will have more in a ruff and his hose than he should spend in a year. I read of a painter that would paint every country man in his accustomed apparel, the Dutch, the Spaniard, the Italian, the Frenchman; but when he came to the English man, he painted him naked, English and gave him clothe, and bad him make it himself, for he changed his apparel fashion so often, that he knew not how to make it; such be our fickle

¹ See the cut opposite, from Andrew Boorde.

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and unstable heads, ever devising and desiring new toys." 1560.—Bishop Pilkington, Exp. upon Aggrus, Works (Parker Soc., 1842), p. 56.



¶ I am an English man, and naked I stand here, Musyng in my mynde what rayment I shal were, For now I wyll were thys, and now I wyl were that; Now I wyl were I cannot tel what.

1542.→ANDREW BOORDE. The Fyrst Boke of the Introduction of Knowledge, chap. i. p. 116 of my edition, E. E. Text Soc., 1870,

p. 59. Cold charitie to the poore.

"Wealthye Cittizens.

You Cittizens that are of Diues Wealth,
His costly cloathing, and his dainty fare,
Regarding nothing but selfe-ease and health,
How euer Lazarus lyes poore and bare:
Your Dogges are not so kinde to licke their sores,
But rather serue to bite them from your dores.
You that do make your Tables Poulters stalles,
Great prouocation to the sinfull flesh,
And though the famish'd, hunger-starued, calles

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'For Jesus sake, with Crummes our wantes refresh,'
Your Dishes haue the food for which they cry:
You play with that, for which they pine and die.
Ile Stabbe yee."

1604. - S. Rowlands, Looke to it: for, Re Stabbe ye, B 2, back; p. 12, ed. 1872. Compare the corn-hoarder Sordido, in Ben Jonson's Every Man out of his Humour (1599), I. i., Works, i. 78:

"O, but (say some) the poor are like to starve.

Why, let 'em starve; what's that to me? Are bees

Bound to keep life in drones and idle moths? No."

p. 59-61. Men's Coats, Cloaks, Gowns, Caps, Chains. The madness "To behold the vain and foolish light fashions of apparel used of Englishmen in their apparel, among us, it is too much wonderful. I think no realm in the world, no, not among the Turks and Saracens, doth so much in the vanity of their apparel, as the Englishmen do at this present. Their coat must be made after the Italian fashion, their cloak after the use of the Spaniards, their gown after the manner of the Turks : their cap must be of the French fashion; and at the last their dagger must be Scottish with a Venetian tassel of silk. I speak nothing of their doublets and hoses, which for the most part are so minced, cut, and jagged, that shortly after they become both torn and ragged. I leave off also to speak of the vanity of certain light-brains, which, because nothing should want to the setting of their fondness, will rather wear a Martin chain the price of eight-pence, than they would be unchained. O what a monster and a beast of many heads is the Englishman now become! To whom may he be compared worthily, but to Esop's crow? For as the crow decked herself with feathers of all kind of birds to make herself beautiful, even so doth the vain Englishman, for the fond apparelling of himself, borrow of every nation to set forth himself gallant in the face of the world. He is an Englishman : he is also an Italian, a Spaniard, a Turk, a Frenchman, a Scot, a Venetian, and, at the last, what not? He is not much unlike a monster called chimsera, which hath three heads, one like a lion, another like a goat, the third like a dragon." ? 1550.-Becon. Jewel of Joy, in The Catechism, &c. Parker Soc., 1844, p. 438. (This extract is continued at p. 255, below.)

p. 60. Spanish, French, & Dutch fashion.—Other articles of dress besides Cloakes were imported:—

"Behold, a most accomplish'd Cauâleere,
That the world's Ape of Fashions doth appeare,
Walking the streets, his humors to disclose,
In the French Doublet, and the Germane Hose:

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Martin chain: of counterfeit or base metal. So also St. Martin's rings.
"They are like rings and chaines bought at Saint Martin's, that were faire for a little time, but shortly after will prove alchimy or rather pure copper." Minshull, Essays, p. 23.

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The Muffes Cloake, Spanish Hat, Toledo blade, Italian ruffe, a Shooe right Flemish made: Like Lord of Misrule, where he comes hee'le reuel, And lie for wagers with the lying'st diuell."

1600.—S. Rowlands, The Letting of Humours Blood in the Head-Vaine, ed. 1874, Hunterian Club, p. 32.

"Col. Tipto. I would put on
The Savoy chain about my neck, the ruff
And cuffs of Flanders, then the Naples hat,
With the Rome hatband and the Florentine agat,
The Milan sword, the cloke of Genoa, set
With Brabant buttons; all my given pieces
Except my gloves, the natives of Madrid."
1629.—Ben Jonson, The New Inn, II. ii., Works, ii. 354, col. 1.

"... but leather and cloth both cannot suffice us at this time, be it never so fine and costious, except we add thereto all kinds of silks and velvets.

Against vain and sumptuous appared ouches and what not, is now-a-days worn even of inferior persons, when the poor members of Christ have neither wherewith they may clothe themselves, nor yet comfort their hungry and thirsty bodies. O lamentable case!

Mark "And what shall I say of the manifold and strange fashions of the well garments that are used now-a-days? I think Satan studieth not so much to invent new fashions to bring Christian men into his snare, as the tailors now-a-days are compelled to excogitate, invent, and imagine diversities of fashions for apparel, that they may satisfy the foolish desire of certain light brains and wild oats, which are altogether given to new fangleness. O most vain vanity! Some-Nova times we follow the fashion of the Frenchmen. Another time we have a placent trick of the Spaniards. Shortly after, that beginneth to wax naught: we must therefore now have the Italian fashion. Within few days after, we are weary of all the fashions that are used in Christendom; we will therefore now, and God will, practise the manner of going among the Turks and Saracens: would God that with the Turks' apparel we were not also right Turks and infidels in our life, conversation and manners!"...? 1540-50.—Thomas Becon, The Nosegay, in Early Works (Parker Soc.), p. 204.

p. 60. Cloaks. - See Fairholt's Costume, p. 419.

p. 61. Boot-hose.—Did these hose go inside the boot, or were they overalls, outside it, and so corresponding, more or less, to the Wife of Bath's 'footmantel' as shown in the Ellesmere MS? See the woodcut overleaf. Cotgrave (1611) has 'Triquehouse: f. A boot-hose; or a thicke hose wome in stead of a boot,'

p. 62. Rapiers : silver kilts & velvet sheaths.

"Brainworm. I assure you the blade may become the side or thigh of the best prince in Europe.

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E. Knowell. Ay, with a velvet scabbard, I think.

Stephen. Nay, an't be mine, it shall have a velvet scabbard, coz, that's flat:

I'd not wear it as it is, an you would give me an angel.

Brai. At your worship's pleasure, sir: nay, 'tis a most pure Toledo.

Stephen. I had rather it were a Spaniard. But tell me what shall I give you for it? An it had a silver hill."

p. 62. On how the young men of and about this time spent their days, see Sir John Davies's In Fuscum, Epig. XXXIX., Marlowe's Works (stereo.), p. 269, quoted in Harrison, I. lxxx.; also Marston's rebuke and ridicule of them in his Scourge of Villanie, 1599, Works, 1856, iii. 305-6. Compare too Rowlands:

"Epig. 7.

Speake, Gentlemen, what shall we do to day?

Drinke some braue health vpon the Dutch carouse?

Or shall we go to the Globe, and see a Play?

Or visit Shorditch, for a bawdie house?

Lets call for Cardes or Dice, and haue a Game,

To sit thus idle, is both sinne and shame.

This speakes Sir Reuell, furnisht out with Fashion, From dish-crownd Hat, vnto th' Shooes square toe; That haunts a Whore-house but for recreation, Playes but at Dice, to connycatch, or so;

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Drinkes drunke in kindnes, for good fellowship; Or to the Play goes, but some Purse to nip."

1600.—S. Rowlands, The Letting of Humours Blood in the Head-Vaine, Hunt. Club, 1874, p. 13. Again,

" A Fantasticall Knaue.

Sirra, come hither, I must send you straight
To divers places, about things of waight:
First to my Barber, at his Bason signe,
Bid him be heere to morrow about nine:
Next to my Taylor, and will him be heere
About eleuen, and his Bill Ile cleere:
My Shoomaker by twelue, haste bid him make
About the Russet Bootes that I bespake.
Stay, harke, I had forgot, at any hand,
First to my Laundresse for a yellow Band;
And point the Feather-maker not to faile
To plume my head with his best Estridge tayle...
Step to the Cutler for my fighting blade,
And know if that my riding sword be made;
Bid him trim vp my walking Rapier neat,
My dancing Rapiers pummell is too great"...

1613.—S. Rowlands, A Paire of Spy-Knaues, sign. B 3, back (Hunt. Club, 1872, p. 8).

"But now of the contrarie let vs consider our exercises, and how we vse to reckon our faultes, and examine the whole day againe at night ere we go to rest, and slepe. Now are we occupied? Verily we kepe ioly cheare one with another in banquetting, surfeiting, and dronkenesse; also we vse all the night long in ranging from town to town, and from house to house, with mummeries and maskes, dice-playing, carding, and dauncing, hauing nothing lesse in our memories than the day of death." 1577.—John Northbrooke, A treatise against Dicing, etc., ed. 1840, p. 15. See p. 265 below, on Parents' neglect.

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Schoolmaster Averell, in his merualous Combat of Contraricties, 1588, quoted above on p. 239, says:—

"As for women, you make them through your pride in lookes like Lais, in fashions like Flora, in maners like Thais, more wavering then the wind, and more mutable then the Moone; in Gate & iesture most daintie, in the Church most angelicall, in the streetes modest & amiable, abroade among men in finenes superficiall, but at home by themselues most sluttish and bestiall. Yet I meane not all, but the worst, and such as entertaine your pride, who from the top

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to the toe, are so disguised, that though they be in sexe Women, yet in attire they appeare to be men, and are like Androgini, who counterfaying the shape of either kind, are in deede neither, so while they are in condition women, and woulde seeme in apparrell men, they are neither men nor women, but plaine Monsters.

"Their heads set out with strange hayre, (to supply nature that waie defeated, or rather by their periwigges infected) do appeare like the head of Gorgon, sauing that they want the crawling Snakes of Medusa, to hang sprawling in their haire along their faces, & yet they retaine the propertie of this. Daughter of Phorcus, for they turn a number of their beholders into stones, who while they affectionatlie gaze on their painted pride, doe lose the reason of men and become like stones, without anie feeling of a vertuous mind, the onelie Image of a man.

"But as they are Venerian Dames, euen so in their flatteries to beguile fooles, they imitate the nature of the Cyprian women, who comining into Syria, and seruing in ye Court would coure downe and become footstooles for the Ladies, thereby to ascend into their Coaches, for which cause they were called Climacidae, of Climaca, which ye Assirians name a Ladder; but heerin onlie they differ, in that our Phrynae and Cytherean Damsels, become not Ladders for Women, but footstooles, yea, and pillowes, for Men. And therefore it is not without cause that Tyresias saide, (being chosen an Arbiter betweene Iupiter and Iuno,) that there were In viero, tres amoris vacia, in femina, nouem, in a man three ounces of lust, in a woman nine; for what meaneth els their outward tricking and daintie trimming of their heads, the laying out of their hayres, the painting and washing of their faces, the opening of their breasts, & discouering them to their wastes, their bents of Whale bone to beare out their bummes, their great sleeues and bumbasted shoulders, squared in breadth to make their wastes small, their culloured hose, their variable shooes? and all these are but outward showes. As for the rest, least their rehearsall might rather hurt, then profit the honest eares, I will couer them with silence: but all these are your prouvocations, these are the fruites of your pride, the signes of your waste, and the abridgment of my fare, for while you spend so freelie upon your Backe, the least share falles to the Bellie, nay, I am faine oftentimes to fast, to beare out the prodigalitie of your pride, and then wanting nourishment to feede the members, I am complained on for your fault." Sign. B 1 & 2. See also Harrison, Pt. I, p. 170-2, and Latimer's address to his 'sisters, the women,' in his last Sermon before Edward VI, in 1550 (Sermons, Parker Soc., p. 252-4): "Yea, it is now come to the lower sort, to mean mens wives; they will rule and apparel themselves gorgeously, and some of them far above their degrees, whether their husbands will or no . . . Paul saith, that 'a woman ought to have a power on her head' . . But this 'power' that some of them have, is disguised gear and strange fashions. They must wear French hoods, and I cannot tell you, I, what to call it . . But now here is a vengeance devil: we must have our 'power' from Turkey, of velvet; and gay it must be; far fetched, dear bought; and when it cometh, it is a false sign . . It is a false sign when it covereth not their heads as it should do. For if they would keep it under the 'power' as they ought to do, there should not any such tussocks

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not tufts be seen as there be; nor such laying out of the hair, nor braiding to have it open.. Of these tussocks that are laid out now-a-days, there is no mention made in scriptures, because.. they were not yet come to be so far out of order as to lay out such tussocks and tufts." And see his (Latimer's) Remains, ed. 1845, p. 108.

"Tactus... five hours ago I set a dozen maids to attire a boy like a nice gentle-woman; but there is such doing with their looking-glasses, pinning, unsetting, formings and conformings; painting blue veins and cheeks; such stir with sticks and combs, cascanets, dressings, purls, falls, squares, busks, bodies, scarfs, necklaces, carcanets, rebatoes, borders, tires, fans, palisadoes, puffs, ruffs, cuffs, muffs, pusles, fusles, partlets, frislets, bandlets, fillets, crosslets, pendulets, amulets, annulets, bracelets, and so many lets, that yet she's scarce dressed to the girdle; and now there is such calling for fardingales, kirtles, busk-points, shoeties, &c., that seven pedlars' shops,—nay, all Stourbridge fair—will scarce furnish her. A ship is sooner rigged by far, than a gentlewoman made ready."? 1602 (printed 1607), Lingua, Hazlitt's Dodsley, ix. 426. See the extract from Dekker's Satiromastix, in the Notes for p. 150, below.

"Sir Francis Ilford... if thou wilt have their true characters, I'll give it thee. Women are the purgatory of men's purses, the paradise of their bodies, and the hell of their minds: marry none of them. Women are in churches, saints; abroad, angels; at home, devils. Here are married men enough know this; marry none of them." 1607.—George Wilkins, Miseries of Enforced Marriage. Hazlitt's Dodsley, ix. 475.

The apparel "I pass over the light and wanton apparel of women now-a-days, of women partly because it is so monstrous, and partly because I haue not been, nor yet am much acquainted with them, whereby I might be the more able to describe their proud peacocks' tails, if not at the full, which were an infinite labour, yet at the least somewhat to set it forth as a painter doth, before he do lay on colours. But of this am I certain, that they observe not in their apparel the rule of the holy scriptures. For Saint Peter saith, that 'the apparel of honest and virtuous women should not be outward with broided hair, and hanging on of gold, either in putting-on of gorgeous apparel'; . . . It is enough for chaste and pure maids to wear clean and simple apparel, as a metatimony of the uncorruption and cleanness both of their body & mind, without the flaring out and colouring of their hair, without the painting of their faces, without the putting-on of wanton and light array, whereby they be enticed rather to pride and whoredom than to humility, shamefacedness, and cleanness of life." ? 1550.—Becon, Fewel of Joy, in The Catechism, etc. (Parker Soc. 1844), p. 439.

Sir Thos. More reproves face-painting in his *Utopia*, p. 317, ed. Roberts, 1878. See the authorities referrd-to there, and in the *Supplemental Notes*, p. 402: "The Loathsomenesse of Long Haire; with an Appendix against painting spots, naked backs and breasts," by Thomas Hall, B.D. London, 1654, 12mo., &c. [Painting] "is the badge of an harlot; rotten posts are painted, and

^{1 &#}x27;See Mr. Steevens's note on Othello, Act II, sc. i. But compare Middleton's Blurt, Master Constable, 1602. Works, by Dyce, i. 280.'

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gilded nutmegs are usually the worst... though I dare not say they are all barlots that paint, yet I may safely say, they have the harlot's badge, and their chastity is questionable."—T. Hall.

" Proud Gentlewomen.

You gentle-puppets of the proudest size,
That are, like Horses, troubled with the Fashions,
Not caring how you do your selues disguise,
In sinfull, shameles, Hels abhominations,
You whom the Deuill (Prides father) doth perswade
To paint your face, & mende the worke God made.

You with the Hood, the Falling-band, and Ruffe, The Moncky wast, the breeching like a Beare; The Perriwig, the Maske, the Fanne, the Muffe, The Bodkin, and the Bussard in your heare; You Veluet-cambricke-silken-feather'd toy, That with your pride do all the world annoy, Ile Stabbe yee."

1604.—S. Rowlands, Look to it; for, Ile Stabbe ye, sign. D 2, back (Hunt. Club, 1872, p. 28).

"The yong woman commeth, married to an old man.

The young Another passeth on, passing portly, a sweete woman, she smelleth woman. hither: and a rolling eye she hath, it turneth with a trice on both sides: a faire haire, if it be her owne: a rare face, if it be not painted; a white skinne, if it be not plastered: a full breast, if it be not bolstered: a straite backe, if it be not helped; a slender waste, if it be not pinched; a likely leg, if it be not lined; a pretty foote, if it be not in the Shoomakers stockes; a faire, rare, sweete, meete body, if it be not dishonest." 1613.—Anthony Nixon, A Straunge Foot-Post, E I, back.

p. 64, 67, 78, &c. Women's coquetry & dress. — See The Pedlers Prophecie, 1595, attributed by the late R. Simpson to Robert Crowley, (who printed Piers Plowman and wrote the Epigrams, &c., and died on June 18, 1588,) on the strength of Greene's allusions, in his Farewell to Folly, 1591, to the Sexton of St. Giles Cripplegate [Crowley's Church], and "Theological poets which... get some other Batillus to set his name to their verses" [which the writer of The Pallers Prophecie does not].

"Proud lookes, stretcht out neckes, and wanton eies,
Their frolike cheare, their fine walkes, and tripping,
With all their pleasures which they now do devise,
Their feasting, disguising, their kissing and clipping.
Rich showes, strange funerals, precious abilliments,
Golden collars, spangs, bracelets, bonnets and hoods,
Painted and laid-out haire, filides, and nether ornaments,
Their chains and sumptuous apparrell, that cost great goods,

Earing jewels, jemmes, to set out their faces, Chaunge of garments, cassocks, vales, launes fine, Needles, glasses, partlets, fillets, and bungraces, With cullours curious, to make the face shine."

'In the interesting but extremely rare volume by John Dickenson, entitled "GREENE IN CONCEIPT: new raised from his grave to write the Tragique Historie of Faire Valeria of London," 1598, he tells of the extravagance in costume, which is one token of her downward career:—

"She ware alwaies such ouersumptuous attyre, that many in desert and dignitie farre exceeding hir, were in this as farre behind hir. No common fashion could please hir fancie, but it must be strange and stately, drawing many eyes to gaze on hir, which aym'd wholly at singularitie, glorying to bee peerelesse in hir pompe. Neuer was any to hir power more lauish in variety of wastefull vanities: neuer any so peruerse in pride, and with such difficulty to be pleased: For were the least stitch in hir Attyre not as shee would haue it, though the garment most fayre and costly, the Tailor most rare and cunning, yet would shee furiously fling it from hir, with purpose neuer to weare it; so that the sillye workeman set at his non plus, lost both his custome and the creedit of his workmanshippe" (p. 24). Evidently, Petruchio knew the expensive habits of ladies in regard to their dressmakers, and by his captious objections to the hat and the "sleeves curiously cut," reads Katharina a lesson.' J. W. Ebsworth, p. 1017, Bagford Ballads.

p. 64. Face-painting.—"Another point that plainly struck Shakspere, and disgusted him [coming from the country], in London society, was, the fashion of women—the good, like the bad—painting their faces, and wearing sham hair,—which latter [tho' 'tis now happily gone out of fashion] has long offended many of us Victorian men too. He alludes to the face-painting, not only in this, his first play [Love's Labours Lost], IV. iii. 259, 'painting and usurping hair,' but in his Sonnets also, 67, 1. 5: 68, 1. 2-8, and again and again in his later plays.\(^1\)"—My Leopold Sh. Introd. p. xxiii. See the Montaigne note, p. 261 below

"Maquerelle. . . Do you know Doctor Plaster-face? By this curde, hee is the most exquisite in forging of veines, sprightning of eyes, dying of haire, sleeking of skinnes, blushing of cheekes, surphleing of breastes, blanching and bleaching of teeth, that ever made an old lady gracious by torch-light,—by this curd, law!" 1604.—Jn. Marston, The Malcontent, II. iv. W.rks, 1856, ii. 233.

See also Drayton's Muses' Elysium (A. D. 1630), Nymphal VII., Works, 1793, p. 626, col. 1, on the 'night-masks, plaster'd well within, to supple wrinkles,' the paper

"In which was painting, both for white and red; And next, a piece of silk, wherein there lies For the decay'd, false breasts, false teeth, false eyes."

¹ Two Gent. II. i. 55-58: Meas. for Meas. III. ii. 80; IV. ii. 38; Ham'ct, III. i. 148; V. i. 201; Ant. & Cleop. I. ii. 18; Winter's Tale, IV. iii. 101, &c. 8HAKRPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES,

p. 67. women's hair and painted faces.

"These flaming heads with staring haire,

These wyers turnde like hornes of ram:

These painted faces which they weare:

Can any tell from whence they cam?

Dan Sathan, Lord of fayned lyes,

All these new fangeles did devise."

1595-6. - St. Gosson, Pleasant Quippes, Hazlitt's E. E. Pop. Poetry, 1866, p. 252.

p. 68: false hair:—See Shakspere, Love's Labours lost, IV. iii. 259; Merchant of Venice, III. ii. 92-6; Henry V, III. vii. 60; Sonnets 68, l. 2-8.

"I cannot tell the greate foole hee is wise,
Nor tell fowle ladies, they are wendrous faire;
I ne're applaude aboue heauns-spangled skies,
The curl'd-worne tresses of dead-borrowd haire.

Like Northern blaste, I breathe my critick aire:

I am noe Mimyck ape; I loathe and hate Each light-braind giddy-head, to Imytate."

? 1611.—W. Goddard. A Satyricall Dialogue, sign. B, back.

p. 69, l. 3: cappe.—See Petruchio's ridicule of the one brought for Katherine'; and her 'gentlewomen wear such caps as these,' in the Taming of the Shrew, IV. iii. 63-70, and 81-5. And Kitely says in Every Man in his Humour, Ben Jonson's Works, i. 28, col. I (see the note there):

"Our great heads
Within this city, never were in safety
Since our wives wore these little caps: I'll change 'em.
I'll change em straight in mine: mine shall no more
Wear three-piled acorns, to make my horns ake."

p. 69. Cawles :--

"These glittering cawles of golden plate,

Wherewith their heads are richlie dect,

Make them to seeme an angels mate

In judgement of the simple sect:

To peacockes I compare them right,

That glorieth in their feathers bright." (See p. 259, 271.)

1595-6.—St. Gosson, Pleasant Quippes, 1866, iv. 252.

p. 70. Ruffes, Starch, Supportasses: see the woodcuts above.

"This starch, and these rebating props,
As though ruffes 2 were some rotten
house.

All this new pelfe now sold in shops,

In value true not worth a louse;

They are his dogs [the Devil's],
he, hunter sharp;
By them a thousand he doth

By them a thousand he doth warpe."

1595-6. - Stephen Gosson. Pleasant Quippes, iv. 253.

1 "Why, this was moulded on a porringer; A velvet dish: fie, fie! 'tis lewd and filthy: Why 'tis a cockle or a walnut-shell,

A knack, a toy, a trick, a baby's cap."—64-7.

See the long and interesting note in Hazlitt, E. E. Pop. Poetry, iv. 252-3.

Gosson's 'rebating props' were Stubbes's 'supportasses,' I suppose. The Ruffs were got into shape by poking-sticks:—

"What lack ye? What lack ye? What is it you will buy? Any points, pins, or laces, Any laces, points or pins? Fine gloves, fine glasses, Any busks or masks? Or any other pretty things?

Come, cheap 1 for love, or buy for money.
Any coney, coney-skins,
For laces, points, or pins?
Fair maids, come choose or buy.
I have pretty poking-sticks,
And many other tricks;
Come, choose for love, or buy for money."

1598.—A. Munday and H. Chettle, Downfall of Robert, Earl of Huntingdom. Hazlitt's Dodsley, viii. 161.

See the interesting extract from the Second Part of Stubbes's Anatomie about Poking-Sticks, Ruffs, &c., in my notes to Captain Cox or Lancham's Letter, 1575, p. 72-3 (Ballad Soc.). I've already noted from Stowe, in Harrison, II, 34°, that about the 16 Eliz., Novr. 1573-4, 'began the making of steele poking-stickes; and vntill that time all Lawndresses used setting stickes, made of wood or bone.'

p. 70, l. 1: wanton Sempronians.—There seems to be an allusion here to Sempronia, a Roman matron who took part in Cataline's conspiracy. Stubbes was perhaps thinking of Sallust's description of her, in some such words as these: 'libidine sic accensa Sempronia ut viros sapius peteret quam peteretur.'—Catalina, xxv.—S.

p. 70-1: ruff:.—These seem to have been succeeded by falling bands, unless the following passage is a 'double entente.' (See p. 244 above.)

"Maquarelle. And by my troth, beauties, why do you not put you into the fashion? This is a stale cut; you must come in fashion. Looke yee, you must be all felt—fealt and feather—a fealt upon your bare hair. Looke ye, these tiring thinges are justly out of request now: and do ye heare? you must weare falling bands; you must come into the falling fashion. There is such a deal a pinning these ruffles, when a fine cleane fall is worth all; and agen, if you should chance to take a nap in the afternoone, your falling band requires no poting sticke to recover his forme. Believe me, no fashion to the falling, say I."

1604.—In. Marston, The Malcontent, V. iii. Works, 1856, ii. 284-5.

p. 71-2. Stubbes's story of the gentlewoman of Antwerp is alluded to in Green's Tu Quoque, by John Cooke.

" • • for pride, the woman that had her ruff poak'd by the devil, is but a puritan to her."—Dodsley's Old Plays, ed. Reed, 1780, vol. vii. p. 19.—S.

p. 71. Women's fashions.—" 1611. Wm. Goddard. A/Satiry/call Dialo/gve or a shar/plye-invectiue conference, be/tweene Allexander the great, and/ that truelye woman-hater Diogy/nes. Imprinted in the Lowcountryes for all such

¹ Bargain, deal: A. Sax. ceapian.

gentlewomen as are not alto/geather Idle nor yet well OCVPYED. (I have this, & Goddard's other two known tracts in type, for private issue at a guinea each.)

"The gossiping vviues complaint [sign. E, back]

against hir riche churlishe husband

they are;

The firste, newe-fashiond cloathes I love to weare,

Newe tires, newe ruffes; I, and newe gesture too :

In all newe fashions, I doe love to goe. The second thing I loue, is this, I weene, To ride aboute to have those newe cloathes seeme :

At eu'rye gossipping I am at, still, And ever wilbe, maie I have my will, For, at ons owne howse, praie, who is't cann see

Howe fyne in newe-found fash' ond tires wee bee 1

Vnles our husbandes: faithe! but very fetve !

And whoo'd goe gaie, to please a husbands veiwe 1

Alas, we wives doe take but smale delight Yf none (besides our husbands) sees that sight.

" Two thinges I love; two vsuall thinges | It ioyes our heartes, to heere an other man Praise this or that attire, that we weare

> Wee iocond are, and think our selves much graste

Yf we heare some one saie ' faire wenche, faithe, in waste

This straight-girt gowne becomes you passing well;

From other Taylors, yours doth beare the bell.

Oh, her that well cann acte-out such sweete partes,

Throwes-up the lure which wynns our verye hartes.

When we are stubborns't, then let men with skill

Rubb'es well with th' oyle of praise; and bend we will.

That smoothe-fyne supple oyle of praise doth soften vs soe,

As what ist then, we will not yield unto ? Meetings and brauerye were my delight."

p. 72: starch. - City Night Cap. Old Plays, vol. 11, p. 309:-

" My chambermaid

Putting a little saffron in her starch,

I most unmercifully broke her head."-Southey, Com. Pl. Bk. i. 514.

p. 73: wings: starch, laundresses, &c.

"Chloe . . And will the ladies be anything familiar with me, think you? Cytheris. O Juno! why, you shall see them flock about you with their puffwings,1 and ask you where you bought your lawn, and what you paid for it? who starches you? and entreat you to help 'em to some pure laundresses 2 out of the city." 1601.—Ben Jonson, Poetaster, IV. i. Works, i. 236, col. 2.

1 "That part of their dress which sprung from the shoulders, and had the appearance of a wing, inflated or blown up."

earance of a wing, inflated or blown up." See p. 241 above.
"This is a hit at the Puritans, many of whom followed the business of tirewomen, clear-starchers, feather-makers, &c. It is not a little singular that while they declaimed most vehemently against the idol, Fashion, they should be among the most zealous in administering to its caprice. Jonson notices this with good effect in his Bartholomew Fair; and Randolph ridicules it no less successfully in the commencement of his Muses' Looking-Glass. . ."

p. 73-5. Women's Doublets, Gowns, &c. The Farthingales worn by Elizabethan women are not denounct here, though they were by Latimer:

"I think Mary had not much fine linen; she was not trimmed up as our women be now-a-days. I think indeed Mary had never a vardingal; for she used no such superfluities as our fine damsels do now-a-days; for in the old time women were content with honest and single garments. Now they have found out these round-abouts; they were not invented then; the devil was not so cunning to make such gear, he found it out afterwards. Therefore Mary had it not . . it is nothing but a token of fair pride to wear such vardingals; and I therefore think that every godly woman should set them aside. St. Paul speaketh of such instruments of pride as was used in his time: Non tortis crinibus, 'Not with laying out the hair artificially;' Non plicatura capillorum, 'Not with laying out the tussocks.' I doubt not but if vardingals had been used in that time, St. Paul would have spoken against them too, like as he spake against other things which women used at that time, to shew their wantonness and foolishness." 1552.—Latimer, Sermon at Grimsthorpe. Remains, 1845, p. 108.

"All high and more than humane Sciences are decked and enrobed with a Poeticall stile. Even as women, when their naturall teeth faile them, use some of yuorie, and in stead of a true beautie, or lively colour, lay-on some artificiall hew; and as they make trunk-sleeves of wyre, and whale-bone bodies, backes of lathes, and stiffe bumbasted verdugals, and, to the open-view of all men, paint and embellish themselves with counterfeit and borrowed beauties; so doth learning." 1603.—J. Florio, Montaignes Essayes (writ. 1580)—p. 301, ed. 1634.

Stubbes doesn't seem to notice the Fans, Busks, Stays, Hoops, and Aprons, which Gosson condemns, though Stowe says (*Harrison*, Pt. II, p. 34°) that "Womens Maskes, Buskes, Muss, Fanns, Perewigs, and Bodkins," having been invented "in Italy by Curtezans," came thro' France into England about the time of the Massacre of St. Bartholomew, 24 Aug. 1572. So, as they were in use in Elizabeth's time, I print Gosson's stanzas about them:—

"This cloth of price, all cut in ragges,

These monstrous bones that compasse armes;

These buttons, pinches, fringes, jagges,

With them he [the Devil] weaveth wofull harmes.

He fisher is, they are his baytes,

Wherewith to hell he draweth huge heaps."

Gosson, Pleasant Quippes, in Hazlitt's E. E. Pop. Poetry, iv. p. 254.

Fans. Gosson, p. 255.

"Were fannes and flappes of feathers fond,
To flit away the flisking flies,
As taile of mare that hangs on ground,
When heat of summer doth arrise,
The wit of women we might praise,
For finding out so great an ease;

But seeing they are stil in hand, In house, in f.eld, in church, in street,

Notes on p. 75. Women's tight-lacing.

In summer, winter, water, land,
In cold, in heate, in drie, in weet,
I judge they are for wives such tooles,
As bables are in playes for fooles.

Busks.

The baudie buske that keepes downe flat
The bed wherein the babe should breed,
What doth it els but point at that
Which faine would have somewhat to feede;
Where bellie want might shadow vale,
The buske sets bellie all to sale...

[And] seeing such as whome they arme,
Of all the rest do soonest yeeld,
And that by shot they take most harme,
When lustie gamesters come in field,
I guess buskes are but signes to tell
Where launderers for the campe do dwell."

1595-6.—St. Gosson, Pleasant Quippes, 1866, p. 255 6.

Secret coats or stays.—Gosson, p. 256.

"These privie coates, by art made strong
With bones, with past, with such like ware,
Whereby their backe and sides grow long,
And now they harnest gallants are;
Were they for use against the foe,
Our dames for Amazones might goe.

But seeing they doe only stay

The course that nature doth intend,
And mothers often by them slay

Their daughters young, and worke their end,²

What are they els but armours stout,

Wherein like gyants, Jove they flout?"

1 "Winifride... Oh, I could cracke my Whalebones, break my Buske, to thinke what laughter may arise from this." 1600 (ed. 1616), Jacke Drum, Act IV. Simpson's School of Shakspere, ii. 182.

John Bulwer in 1650 inveighs against the abuse of tight-lacing. Doctors and all sensible folk have done so ever since; but English women—whose God, Fashion is, and who regularly sacrifice to it their bodies and health, and often their souls—still immolate their daughters and themselves on their Demon's shrine.

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"Another foolish affection there is in young Virgins, though grown big enough to be wiser, but they are led blind-fold by custome to a fashion pernitious beyond imagination; who thinking a Slender-waste a great beauty, strive all that they possibly can by streight-lacing themselves, to attain unto a wand-like smalnesse of Waste, never thinking themselves fine enough untill they can span their Waste. By which deadly artifice they reduce their Breasts into such streights that they soon purchase a stinking breath; and while they ignorantly affect an angust or narrow Breast, and to that end by strong compulsion shut up their Wastes in a Whale-bone

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hoops, p. 257 (cp. crinolines, happily gone out of fashion, for ever, let us hope).

"These hoopes, that hippes and haunch do hide, And heave aloft the gay hoyst traine, As they are now in use for pride, So did they first beginne of paine: When whores in stewes had gotten poxe, This French device kept coats from smocks.

I not gainsay but bastards sprout Might arses greate at first begin; And that when paunch of whore grew out, These hoopes did helpe to hide their sinne; And therefore tub-tailes all may rue, That they came from so vile a crue.

prison or little-ease; they open a door to Consumptions, and a withering rottennesse. Hence such are justly derided by Terence in Eunucho.

Haud similis virgo, est virginum nostrarum, quas matres student: Demissis humeris esse, vincto pectore, ut graciles sient.

—— si qua est habitor paulo, pugilem esse aiunt, aeaucunt cibum,

Tamet si bona est natura, reddunt curvatura junceos.

So that it seems this foolish fashion was in request in the time that Terence lived. "Parseus where he propounds Instruments for the mending such deformities, observes that the Bodies of young Maids or Girls (by reason they are more moist and tender then the bodies of Boyes) are made crooked in processe of time: Especially, by the wrenching aside, and crookednesse of the backbone; the most frequent cause whereof is the unhandsome and undecent scituation of their bodies, when they are young and tender, either in carrying, sitting or standing (and especially, when they are taught to go too soon) saluting, serving, writing, or in doing any such like thing. In the mean while he omits not the occasion of crookednes, that happens seldome to the Country people, but is much incident to the inhabitants of great Towns and Cities, which is by reason of the straitnesse and narrownesse of the garments that are worn by them; which is occasioned by the folly of Mothers, who while they covet to have their young Daughters Bodies so small in the middle as may be possible, pluck and draw their bones awry, and make them crooked."—Anthropometamorphosis: Man Transformed, or the Artificial Changeling, etc., by J.[ohn]. B.[ulwer], 1650
Bulwer also denounces the Absurd, tho now happily abandona custom of

swathing children in tight bands:—
"We in England are noted to have a most perverse custome of Swathing Children, and streightening their Breasts. Which narrownesse of Breast occasioned by hard and strict swadling them, is the cause of many inconveniences and dangerous consequences. For, all the bones of new-born Infants, especially the Ribs of the Breast, are very tender & flexible, that you may draw them to what figure you please; which when they are too strictly swathed with Bands, reduce the Breast to so narrow a scantling, as is apt to endanger not only the health, but the life of children. For hence it is, that the greatest part of us are so subject to a Consumption and Distillations, which shorten our dayes, and bring us to an untimely Grave." 1650.—Anthropometamorphosis: Man Transform'd; or, the Artificial Changeling, etc. J.[ohn] B.[ulwer], p. 186.

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If barreld bums 1 were full of ale,
They well might serve Tom Tapsters turne;
But yeelding nought but filth and stale,
No losse it were, if they did burne . . ."

Aprons.

"These aprones white of finest thrid,
So choicelie tide, so dearlie bought,
So finely fringed, so nicelie spred,
So quaintlie cut, so richlie wrought;
Were they in worke to save their cotes,
They need not cost so many grotes.

When shooters aime at buttes and prickes,
They set up whites, and shew the pinne;
It may be, aprones are like tricks,
To teach where rovers, game may winne.
Brave archers soone will find the marke,
But bunglers hit it in the darke."

1595-6. Stephen Gosson, Pleasant Quippes. Hazlitt's E. E. Popular Poetry, iv. 257-8.

p. 74. Gown layed with lace, &c.

"Girtred... O sister Mildred, though my father bee a low-capt tradesman, yet I must be a ladie, and I praise God my mother must call me 'Madam'. Does he come? Off with this gowne for shames sake! off with this gowne! let not my knight take me in the cittie-cut, in my hand!.. I tell you I cannot indure it; I must bee a lady! Doe you weare your quoiffe with a London licket, your stamen peticoate with two guardes, the buffin gowne with the tuff-taffitie cape and the velvet lace! I must be a lady, and I will be a lady! I like some humors of the Citty dames well.. to eate cherries onely at an angell a pound, good; to die rich scarlet, black, prety; to line a grogarom gowne cleane through with velvet, tollerable; their pure linen, their smocks of 3 li. a smock, are to be borne withall. But your minsing niceries, taffata pipkins, durance petticotes, and silver bodkins—Gods my life, as I shall be a lady, I cannot indure it." 1605.—Jn. Marston, Eastward Hoe, I. i., Works, 1856, iii. 9.

p. 75, l. 13. Cost of dress.—See Rowlands's "To Maddam Maske and Francis Fan," as to how woods are cut down, and tenants rackt, to provide money for women's dress, &c., in his Knaue of Spades, ? 1611 (Hunt. Club, 1874, p. 37). See too the extract from Bp. Pilkington in the Note for p. 81, below.

¹ An earlier satirist, Charles Bansley, in *The Pryde and Abuse of Women*, ab. 1550 (Hazlitt's *Pop. Poetry*, iv. 229), says—

[&]quot;Downe, for shame, wyth these bottell arste bummes, And theyr trappynge trinkets so vayne! A bounsinge packsadel for the devyll to ryde on, To spurre theym to sorowe and payne."—p. 238.

Notes on pp. 75-7. Parents' neglect of Children, &c. 265

p. 75. Parents to blame. "Who seeth not how fondly fathers and mothers bring vp their children in cockering and pampering them? from their infancie they bee giuen to none other thing but to pride, delicious fare, and vain idle

pleasures and pastimes.

"What prodigious apparel, what vndecent behaulour, what boasting, bragging, quarelling, and letting vp and down, what quaffing, feasting, rioting, playing, dauncing and diceing, with other like fellowship that is among them, it is a wonder to see : and the parents can hereat reioice and laugh with them, and giue libertie to theire children to doe what they liste, neuer endeauouring to tame and salue their wilde appetites. What marueylle is it if they bee found thus naughtie and vicious, when they come to their full yeares and mans state, which haue of children been trayned and entered with such vice? . .

"Consider, I pray thee (good reader) what jolly yonkers and lusty [= lustfull] brutes, these wil be when they come to be citizens, and intermedlers of the common-welth, which by their fathers have beene thus wantonly cockered up, neuer correcting them, or chasting them for any faults and offences whatsoever? What other thing but this, is the cause that there be now so many adulterers, vnchast, and lewde persons, and idle rogues?—that we have such plentie of dicers, carders, mummers, and dauncers? and that such wickednesse, and filthy livers are spred about in euery quarter, -but onely naughty education and bringing vp. . .

" Also the slacknesse and vnreadinesse of the magistrates to doe and execute their office, is a great cause of this: if they that vse tauernes, playing and walking vp and downe the streetes in time of a sermon; if disobedient children to their parents, if dicers, mummers, ydellers, dronkerds, swearers, rogues, and dauncers, and such as haue spent and made away their liuing in belly cheare and vnthriftinesse, were straightly punished, surely there shud be lesse occasion giuen to offend, and also good men should not have so great cause to complain of the maners of men of this age. Therefore, the magistrate must remember his office." Ab. 1577.- Jn. Northbrooke, Against Dicing, Dancing, Plays and Interludes, &c. (Shakespeare Soc. 1843), p. 11-12. See too the Note for p. 186, below.

p. 76-7. Nether stockes, korked shooes, &c.

"These worsted stockes of bravest die, | To carrie all this pelfe and trash, And silken garters fring'd with gold; These corked shooes to beare them hie, Makes them to trip it on the molde : They mince it with a pace so strange, range.

Because their bodies are unfit, Our wantons now in coaches dash, From house to house, from street to street."

1595-6.-St. Gosson, Pleasant Quippes Like untam'd heifers, when they for Vpstart Newfangled Gentlewomen, Hazlitt, 1866, p. 258.

"Crispinell. Nay, good, let me still sit; we lowe statures love still to sit, least when we stand, we may be supposed to sit.

Tissefew. Dost not weare high corke shooes-chopines? [Cp. Hamlet, II. ii. 447.]

Crist. Monstrous on's. I am, as many other are, peec'd above, and peec'd beneath."-1605. Jn. Marston, The Dutch Courtesan, III. i. Works, 1856, ii. 147.

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p. 77, l. 2, pinsnets,? pumps, thin shoes. See p. 247-8 above. I don't know pinsnet except in Stubbes. Pinson is common in early writers: see Way's edition of the Promptorium, p. 400, col. 2, and his note 3, which ought to be 4: 'the pynson-showes, les eschapins—Duwes.' In the Articles ordained on Decr. 31, 1494, by Henry VII, in that 'As for the receaving of a Queene, and the Coronation of her,' "when masse is donne, [in Westminster Abbey, the barefooted Queen is] to come downe againe to the highe altar, and there to bee howselled, and then to goe into a closett, and the Abbott to putt St. Edwards Pinsons on her feete."—Household Ordinances (1791), p. 124. Mr. Herrtage has sent me the following: "A Pynson her pedibromita e. dicitur a pes, -dis, & brico, & mitos gutta."—Catholicon. Addit. MS. 15,562, Brit. Mus.

"Pedibomita / te. anglice (a pynson)."—f. p. [feminine, 1st. decl.] Orius Vocabulorum. W. de Worde. 1532.

"Calcearium. A shoe, pinson, socke."—Withals. "A pinsone, osa."—Manipulus Vocab. "Pynson, sho, caffignon."—Palsgrave, p. 254, col. 2; but "Cassignon: m. a pump, or thin-soled shoe."—Cotgrave. "Soccatus. That weareth stertups or pinsons."—Elyot. "Detrahere soccos alicui: to pull off one's pinsons or his stertups."—Cooper. "Calcearium. A shoe, pinson, or socke." Calceo. To put on shoes, sockes, or pinsons.—ib.

p. 77, l. 10 from foot. Pomanders.

"1st. Boy. Your only way to make a good pomander, is this:—Take an ounce of the purest garden mould, cleansed and steeped seven days in change of motherless rosewater; then take the best ladanum, benzoine, both storaxes, ambergris, civet, and musk: incorporate them together, and work them into what form you please. This, if your breath be not too valiant, will make you smell as sweet as my lady's dog." 1602 (pr. 1607), Lingua. Hazlitt's Dodsley, ix. 419.—See the note there, referring to another recipe in Markham's English Housewife, p. 151, ed. 1631; also printed, from ed. 1675, p. 109, in Marston's Works, 1856, ii. 302. "Why, any sensible snout may wind Master Amoretto and his pomander." 1602.—Lingua, Dodsley, ix. 181.

p. 77, l. 10 from foot: fragrant Pomanders. "Perfumed paste, generally rolled into a ball, but sometimes moulded into other forms: it was carried in the pocket, or hung about the neck, and was considered a preservative against infection. A silver case filled with perfumes was sometimes called a pomander."—Dyce's Webster, ed. 1871, note on the Malcontent, V. i. p. 354.—S.

p. 78, l. 2: droye.—"Droil. A drudge, or servant. North.—See Malone's Shakespeare, xviii. 42; Tusser's Husbandry, p. 256."—Halliwell's Dict.—S.

p. 78, l. 3: pussle. — Compare "Pucelle or puzzel, dolphin or dogfish," I Hen. VI, I. iv. 107, Globe ed. "Puzel or Pussel, Dolphin or Dog-fish." — Fol. 1623. Ladislaus, king of Naples, fell in love with his physician's daughter, "a puzell verie beautifull."—Holinshed, ed. 1587, iii. 545/ 1/52.—S. "Then, three prety puzels az bright az a breast of bacon, of a thirtie yeere old a pees." 1575.—Lancham's Letter, my ed. p. 23.

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p. 78: naked breasts.—See Harrison, Pt. 1. p. 170. Cp. Ben Jonson's side-notes in his The Devil is an Ass, Works, ed. Cunningham, ii. 237, on the lines,

. . . . "since Love hath the honour to approach These sister-swelling breasts and touch this soft And rosy hand."

"Here he grows more familiar in his courtship." "Wittipol plays with her paps, kisses her hands," &c.; and in *Cynthia's Revels*, iii. 2, p. 168 (ed. Gifford), "Plays with his mistress's paps, salutes her pumps."—P. A. D.

"Beliula. Let pinching citty-dames orecloud their eyes:
Our brests lie forth, like conduicts of delight,
Able to tice the nicest appetite.
Mistresse Pinckanie, shall I have this Fanne?

Pink. Madam, not this weake, do what I can."
7 1590-1600, pr. 1610.—Peele & Marston, Histrio-Mastix, Act III. R. Simpson's School of Shakspere, ii. 50.

"Then silly old Fops, that kiss but like popes,
And call us Night Walkers and Faries,
Go fumble old Joan, and let us alone,

And never come near our canary's:

We'll wear our breasts bare, 1 and curl up our hair,

'Thus rendered by H. F. Cary:-

"What wouldst thou have me say? A time to come Stands full within my view, to which this hour Shall not be counted of an ancient date, When from the pulpit shall be loudly warn'd The unblushing dames of Florence, lest they bare Unkerchief'd bosons to the common gaze. What savage women hath the world e'er seen, What savage women hath the world e'er seen, What Saracens, for whom there needed scourge Of spiritual or other discipline,

To force them walk with covering on their limbs. But did they see, the shameless ones, what Heaven Wafts on swift wing toward them while I speak, Their mouths were op'd for howling: they shall taste Of sorrow (unless foresight cheat me here)."

¹ Mr. Ebsworth's note is, 'The immodest exposure of the bosom had been assailed, not alone by the Puritans, but by many satirists, who could scarcely be deemed righteous over-much. But none of these had exceeded the stern rebuke uttered by Dante in the *Purgatorio*, Canto xxiii.:—

[&]quot;O dolce frate, che vuoi tu, ch' io dica? Tempo futuro m' è già nel cospetto, Cui non sara quest' ora molto antica," etc.

^{&#}x27;After the Restoration, in 1678, had appeared a pamphlet "Just and reasonable Reprehensions of Naked Breasts and Shoulders."

[•] On the Venetian courtesans' like undress, see Coryat's Crudities, 1611.

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And shew our *Commodes* to the people;
But, as I'm a w——, if that you talk more,
We'll raise them as high as Bow-steeple."
"The Vindication of Top Knots and Commodes," To
the tune of *London Top Knot's*.—Bagford Collection, i. 124 (908, 967). Ballad Society, 1876.

Puppies and books were occasionally housd in the same soft receptacle as Stubbes's nosegays. Topsell's Four-footed Beasts (1607) says of the little Melitean or Sicilian dogs, "They are not above a foot, or half a foot long, and alway the lesser, the more delicate and precious... There be some wanton women which admit them to their beds, and bring up their young ones in their own bosomes, for they are so tender, that they seldom bring above one at a time, but they lose their life."—ed. 1658, J. Rowland, M.D., p. 128. And Mr. R. Roberts cites from Richard Brathwait's The English Gentleman, 1630, 4to, p. 28:—

"But alas; to what height of licentious libertie are these corrupte times growne? When that Sex, where Modesty should claime a native prerogative, gives way to foments of exposed loosenesse; by not only attending to the wanton discourse of immodest Lovers, but carrying about them (even in their naked Bosomes, where chastest desires should only lodge) the amorous toyes of Venus and Adonis: which Poem, with others of like nature, they heare with such attention, peruse with such devotion, and retaine with such delectation, as no subject can equally relish their unseasoned palate, like those lighter discourses."

^{&#}x27;So early as 1595, in *Pleasant Quippes for upstart new-fangled Gentlewomen*, Stephen Gosson had assailed a similar exposure, in Puritanical pride writing thus (Collier's Pref. to Gosson's *School of Abuse*, ed. 1841, p. xiii):—

[&]quot;These Holland smockes, so white as snowe, and gorgets brave with drawne-worke wrought, A tempting ware they are, you know, wherewith (as nets) vaine youths are caught," etc. "These perriwigges, ruffes armed with pinnes, these spangles, chaines and laces all; These naked paps, the Devils ginnes, to worke vaine gazers painefull thrall: [He fowler is, they are his nets, Wherewith of fooles great store he gets.]"

^{&#}x27;These satirists and cynics who are perpetually decrying immodesty of feminine apparel, are invariably themselves of impure dispositions. They have a prurient longing to offensively rebuke offence.

[&]quot;Fie on thee! I can tell what thou would'st do Most mischievous foul sin, in chiding sin:
For thou thyself hast been a libertine,
As sensual as the brutish sting itself:
And all the embossed sores and headed evils,
That thou with license of free foot hast caught,
Would'st thou disgorge into the general world."

As You Like II, Act ii. sc. 7.

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p. 78, 1. 7: kissing.—"I hold that the greatest cause of dissolutenesse in some women in England is this custome of kissing publiquely, for that by this meanes they lose their shamefastnesse, and at the very touch of the kisse there entreth into them a poison which doth infect them." [In Spain they don't do it] "because we are so wanton, that we need nothing to helpe our appetite, to make a thousand ill matches which would fall out if we should have this occasion." 1623.—

J. Minsheu, Pleasant and Delightfull Dialogues, p. 51-2. On p. 39 he notes the sodomising of pages by their masters (see Harrison, Pt. I. p. 130), on which Marston has a long passage in his Scourge of Villanie, 1599, Works, 1856, iii. 256-7. That kissing (smick-smack) was apt to lead to something further, see Lusty Juventus, 1550, Hazlitt's Dodsley, ii. 85:—

"What a hurly-burly is here! Smick smack, and all this gear! You will to tick-tack, I fear, If you had time: Well, wanton, well: Iwis I can tell That such smock-smell Will set your nose out of tune."

See Beatrice's protest against the custom of indiscriminate kissing, in Marston's Dutch Courtenan (1605), Act III. sc. i; Works, 1856, ii. 144. She's one of Sir Herbert's daughters, and says, "boddy a beautie! tis one of the most unpleasing, injurious customes to ladyes; any fellow that has but one nose on his face, and standing collor, and skirtes also lined with taffety sarcenet, must salute us on the lipps as familierly. Soft skins save us! There was a stub-bearded John-a-stile, with a ploydens face, saluted me last day, and stroke his bristles through my lippes: I ha spent ten shillings in pomatum since, to skinne them againe," &c. &c. A. D. 1792, "there are many practices openly made use of betwixt the sexes which with us [the French] are considered as marks of the greatest familiarity. On the stage the actor applies his lips to those of the actress, when he salutes her; the same is practised by the people in general; the kiss of love, and the kiss of friendship are impressed alike on the lips." H. Meister (Swiss by birth). Letters on England, englisht 1799, p. 287-8.

p. 78. Sweet smells of musks, &c.

"Their odorous smelles of Muske so sweete,
Their waters made of seemely sent,
Are lures of Luste, and farre unmeete,
Except where needes they must be spent."

1579.—W. A., A speciall Remedie against . . lawlesse Love. Collier's Bibl. Cat. ii. 237.

"Mercatore.—[I do] lack some pretty fine toy, or some fantastic new knack; For da gentlewomans in England buy much tings for fantasy...

Gerontus. . As musk, amber, sweet-powders, fine odours, pleasant perfumes, and many such toys,

Wherein I perceive consisteth that country['s] gentlewomen's joys.

¹ See Meas. for Meas., I. ii. 196.

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Besides, I have diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, smaradines, opals, onacles, jacinths, agates, turquoise, and almost of all kind of precious stones,

And many me fit things to suck away money from such green-headed wantons."

1584.—R. W., The Three Ladies of London, Hazlitt's Dodsley, vi. 330.

Snuffe, the Clown of the Curtain Theatre, is more reasonable than Stubbes:-

" What smels sweete?

Muske, Ciuet, Amber, and a thousand thinges
Long to rehearse, from which sweete odours springes:
Flowers are sweete, and sweetest in my minde,
For they are sweete by nature and by kinde.
Faire Women that in bosoms nosegays weare,
Kisse byt their lippes, and say what sent they beare,
Their breath perfume, their flowers sweetly smell,
Both ioyned to her lippes, do exceeding well."

1600.—Quips upon Questions.. By Clunnyco de Curtanio Snuffe. F 4, back. I do not trust the evidence that has induced Mr. Ouvry, in his reprint, 1875, to assign the tract to John Singer: "Mr. Collier informs me that the name J. Singer was written in his own autograph [?] on the title-page of the volume."

p. 78-9. Feathers, wide-gowns, face-painting.

"Epigram.

What feather'd fowle is this that doth approach
As if it were an Estredge in a Coach?
Three yards of feather round about her hat,
And in her hand a bable like to that:
As full of Birdes attire, as Owle, or Goose;
And like vnto her gowne, her selfe seemes loose!,
Cri 'ye mercie, Ladie, lewdnes are you there?
Light feather'd stuffe befits you best to weare." (Sign. B 2, p. 11.)
1608.—S. Rowlands, Humors Looking-Glasse (Hunterian Club, 1872)

Gentleman, a verie friend of mine,
Hath a young wife, and she is monstrous fine:
Shee's of the new fantastique humor right,
In her attire an angell of the light.
Is she an Angell? I: it may be well,
Not of the light, she is a light Angell.
Forsooth his dome must suffer alteration,
To entertaine her mightie huge Bom-fashion.
A hood's to base, a hat, which she doth make

1 "Tailor. Inprimis, a loose-bodied gown:

Grumio. Master, if euer I said loose-bodied gowne, sow me in the skirts
of it, and beate me to death with a bottome of browne thred: I said a gowne."
-? 1596-7.—Shakspere, Taming of the Shrew, IV. iii. 135-8. Folio, p. 224,
col. 2.

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With brauest feathers in the Estridge tayle, She scornes to treade our former proud wines traces, That put their glory in their ofwln fair faces; In her conceit it is not faire enough, She must reforme it with her painters stuffe; And she is neuer merry at the heart, Till she be got into her leatherne Cart. Some halfe a mile the Coach-man guides the raynes, Then home againe; birladie, she takes paines. My friend, seeing what humours haunt a wife, If he were loose, would lead a single life."

The Humors that haunt a Wife (ib. B 3, back, p. 14).

p. 79. Looking-glasses: mirrors in hats, &c.

"Amorphus . . . Where is your page? call for your casting-bottle, and place your mirror in your hat,1 as I told you: so!" 1600.-Ben Jonson, Cynthia's Revels, II. i.

p. 79: bracelets, rings, &c.

"and now, my honie Loue, Will we returne vnto thy Fathers house And reuell it as brauely as the best, With silken coats and caps, and golden Rings, With Ruffes and Cuffes, and Fardingales and things; With Scarfes and Fannes, & double change of brau'ry, With Amber Bracelets, Beades, and all this knau'ry."

? 1596-7 .- Shakspere, Taming of the Shrew, IV. iii. 52-8. Folio, p. 223, col. 2.

p. 80. Masks, face-painting, &c.

"Peace, Cynick; see, what yonder doth approach! A cart? a tumbrell? No a badgëd coach. What's in't? Some man? No, nor yet woman kinde, But a celestiall angell, faire, refinde. The divell as soone! Her maske so hinders me, I cannot see her beauties deitie. Now that is off, she is so vizarded, So steept in lemons juyce, so surphuled, I cannot see her face. Under one hoode Two faces: but I never understood Or saw one face under two hoods till now: 'Tis the right semblance of old Janus brow. Her maske, her vizard, her loose-hanging gowne (For her loose-lying body), her bright spangled crowne,

¹ Both sexes wore them publicly; the men, as brooches or ornaments in their hats, and the women at their girdles (see Massinger, vol. iv. p. 8), or on their breasts; nay, sometimes in the centre of their fans, which were then made of feathers, inserted into silver or ivory tubes. Lovelace has a poem on his mistresses's fan, 'with a looking-glass in it.' Gifford, in Works, i. 160, col. 2.

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Her long slit sleeves, stiffe buske, puffe verdingall,
Is all that makes her thus angelicall.
Alas! her soule struts round about her neck;
Her seate of sense is her rebato set;
Her intellectuall is a fained nicenesse,
Nothing but clothes and simpring precisenesse.
Out on these puppets, painted images,
Haberdashers shops, torch-light maskeries,
Perfuming pans, Dutch ancients, glowe-worms bright
That soyle our soules, and dampe our reasons light!
Away! away! hence! coach-man, goe inshrine
Thy new-glas'd puppet in port Esqueline!"
599.—Jn. Marston, Scourge of Villanie. Works, 1856, iii. 283.

p. 80. Visors made of veluet: Of Masks, Gosson says, Pleasant Quippes, E. E. Pop. Poetry, iv. 254:—

". . on each wight, now are they seene,
The tallow-pale, the browning-bay,
The swarthie-blacke, the grassie-greene,
The pudding red, the dapple graie,
So might we judge them toyes
aright

To keepe sweet beautie still in plight.

What else do maskes but maskers show?
And maskers can both dance and play:
Our masking dames can sport, you knowe,
Sometime by night, some time by day:
'Can you hit it' is oft their
daunce,

Deuse-ace² fals stil to be their chance."

"Higgen. We stand here for an epilogue Ladies, your bounties first! the rest will follow; For women's favours are a leading alms: If you be pleas'd, look cheerly, throw your eyes Out at your masks.

Prigg. And let your beauties sparkle!"

1622.—Fletcher. The Beggars Bush, Works, i. 231.

p. 81: makers of new fashions.—Compare Massinger, in his Picture, 1629-30. Act II, sc. ii, p. 220, col. I, Moxon's ed.—

"Eubulus. There are some of you, Whom I forbear to name, whose coining heads Are the mints of all new fashions, that have done More hurt to the kingdom by superfluous bravery, Which the foolish gentry imitate, than a war Or a long famine. All the treasure, by This foul excess, is got into the merchant, Embroiderer, silkman, jeweller, tailor's hand, And the third part of the land too, the nobility Engrossing titles only."

¹ Compare Rosaline: ¹Thou canst not hit it, my good man, ¹ L. L. Lost, IV. ii.; Ritson's Robin Hood, ii. 213; Wily Beguil'd (1602-3), in Hazlitt, p. 254.5, and p. 371.
² A male's genitals.

p. 81. Heathen women an example to Christian ones.

"And all dainty dames may here learn of these gentlewomen to set more by working at God's house than by trimming of themselves. Would God they would spend that on the poor members of Christ and citizens of this spiritual Jerusalem, that they wastefully bestow on themselves, and would pity their poverty something like as they pamper themselves! St. Peter biddeth them leave their 'gold and frizzled hair, and their costly apparel' and so modestly behave themselves that 'their husbands, seeing their honest behaviour, may be won' to the Lord by them; for so Sara and other holy women did attire themselves, &c.

"But it is to be feared, that many desire rather to be like dallying Dinah than sober Sara. And if the husband will not maintain it, though he sell a piece of land, break up house, borrow on interest, raise rents, or make like hard shifts, little obedience will be shewed. Placilla the empress, the worthy wife of Theodosius the emperor would visit the sick folks in their houses herself, and help them; would taste of their broths, how they were made, bring them dishes to lay their meat in, and wash their cups; and if any would forbid her, she said she offered her labour for the empire, to God that gave it. And she would oft say to her husband, 'Remember what ye were, and who ye be now, and so shall ye always be thankful unto God.' It were comfortable to hear of such great women in these days, where the most part are so fine that they cannot abide to look at a poor body, and so costly in apparel that that will not suffice them in jewels, which their elders would have kept good hospitality withal. When Moses moved the people to bring such stuff as was meet for the making of God's tabernacle and other jewels in it, the women were as ready as the men, and they 'brought their bracelets, ear-rings, rings, and chains, all of gold;' and the women 'did spin with their own hands' both silk and goats hair: they wrought and brought so much willingly, that Moses made proclamation they should bring no more.

"Compare this people's devotion with ours that be called Christians, and ye shall find that all that may be scratched is too little to buy jewels for my mistress, though she be but of mean degree; and if anything can be pulled from God's house, or any that serveth in it, that is well gotten, and all is too little for them. God grant such costly dames to consider what metal they be made of! for if they were so fine of themselves as they would seem to be, none of these glorious things needed to be hanged upon them to make them gay withal. Filthy things need washing, painting, colouring, and trimming, and not those that be cleanly and comely of themselves: such decking and colouring maketh wise men to think, that all is not well underneath: content yourselves with that colour, comeliness, and shape, that God hath given you by nature, and disfigure not yourselves with your own devices; ye cannot amend God's doings, nor beautify that which he hath in that order appointed." 1575.—Bishop Pilkington on Nehemiah (pr. 1585), Works (Parker Soc. 1842), pp. 385-387.

p. 82, 1. 10 from foot. In High Germany the Women use in effect one kind of apparel, &c.—Munster (Cosmography, bk. iii, p. 325, ed. 1550) says that when he was a boy (circa 1497) his countrymen dressed plainly now they follow foreign

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fashions, but the German women have returned to the ancient frugality in apparel which distinguished the men. "Hæ depositis multiplicibus & plicatissimis peplis, quibus grandia olim faciebant capita, unico tantum hodie uelantur, modestiusque incedunt. Satis honestus hodie est quarundam mulierum uestitus, nisi quòd superne nimium excauatur."—S.

p. 87. Women's dress: its motive:-

"For, why is all this rigging and fine tackle, mistress, If your neat handsome vessels, of good sail, Put not forth ever and anon with your nets Abroad into the world? It is your fishing. There, you shall choose your friends, your servants, lady, Your squires of honour. I'll convey your letters, Fetch answers, do you all the offices
That can belong to your blood and beauty."

1616.—Ben Jonson. The Devil is an Ass, Act II. sc. i. p. 352, col. 2. p. 87.—How the day's spent by Women:—

"Daily till ten a clocke a bed she lyes, And then againe her Lady-ship 1 doth rise, Her Maid must make a fire, and attend To make her ready; then for wine sheele send, (A morning pinte) she sayes her stomach's weake, And counterfeits as if shee could not speake, Vntill eleuen, or a little past, About which time, euer she breakes her fast; Then (very sullen) she wil pout and loure, And sit downe by the fire some halfe an houre. At twelue a clocke her dinner time she keepes, Then gets into her chaire, and there she sleepes Perhaps til foure, or somewhat thereabout; And when that lazie humour is worne out, She cals her dog, and takes him in her lap, Or fals a beating of her maid (perhap) Or hath a Gossip come to tell a Tale, Or else at me sheele curse, and sweare, and rale, Or walke a turne or two about the Hall, And so to supper and to bed: heeres all This paines she takes; and yet I do abuse her! But no wise man, I thinke, so kind would vse her.2 . . ."

1609.—S. Rowlands, A whole crew of kind Gossips, all met to be merry, sign. D 3 (Hunt. Club, 1876, p. 29). See the rest of this amusing piece, on the faults the Six Wives find with their Husbands, and the latters' answers finding fault with their Wives.

¹ Ironical. She has no title.

² See S. Rowlands's sketch of a Jealous husband, in his Diogines Lanthorne, 1607, sign. B 3 (ed. 1873, p. 13).

p. 87. And see in Rowlands's Looke to it: for, Ile Stabbe ye, 1604, the Idie-huswife, sign. E, back, p. 34, of the Hunterian Club reprint, 1872:—

"Ine, neate, and curious mistris Butter flie,
The Idle-toy to please an Idlots eye,
You that wish all Good-huswiues hang'd for why;
Your dayes work's done each morning when you rise,
Put on your Gowne, your Ruffe, your Masske, your Chaine,
Then dine & sup, & go to bed againe.
You that will call your Husband 'Gull & Clowne,'
If he refuse to let you haue your Will:
You that will poute and lowere, and fret and frowne,
Vnlesse his purse be lauish open still,
You that will haue it, get it how he can,
Or he shall weare a Vulcans brow, poore man,
Ile Stabbe thee."

Compare too an older complaint in The Schole-House of Women, 1541 (ed. 1572), in Hazlitt's E. E. Pop. Poetry, iv. 111-112:—

"T Wed them once, and then adue, Farwel, all trust and huswifery; Keep their chambers, and them self mew,

For staining of their fisnamy [complexion],

And in their bed all day doo lye; Must, once or twise euery week, Fain them self for to be sick.

¶ Send for this, and send for that;
Little or nothing may them please;
Come in, good gossip, and keep
me chat.

I trust it shall do me great ease; Complain of many a sundry disease; A gossips cup between vs twain, Til we be gotten vp again.

Then must she haue maidens two or three.

That may then gossips togither bring;

Set them to labour to blere the eye; Them self wil neither wash ne wring, Bake ne brue, ne any thing; Sit by the fire, let the maidens trot, Brew of the best in a halfpeny pot.

¶ Play who wil, the man must labour, And bring to house all that he may; The wife again dooth nought but glauour,

And holde him vp with yea and nay; But of her cup he shall not assay, Other she saith, it is to thin, Or els, iwis, there is nothing in." &c.

p. 87, l. 10 from foot. Othersome spende the greatest parte of the daie, in sittyng at the doore.—"They [Englishwomen] sit before their doors, decked out in fine clothes, in order to see and be seen by the passers-by." Emanuel van Meteren's History of the Netherlands, in Rye's England as seen by Foreigners, p. 72; Harrison, Pt. I, p. lxiii.—S.

"Butler. I am now going to their place of residence, situate in the choicest place of the city, and at the sign of the Wolf, just against Goldsmiths' Row [see Harrison, Part II, Forewords, § 1], where you shall meet me; but ask not for

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me, only walk to and fro; and, to avoid suspicion, you may spend some conference with the shopkeepers' wives: they have seats built a purpose for such familiar entertainment." 1607.—G. Wilkins, The Miseries of Enforced Marriage, Hazlitt's Dodsley, ix. 537-8.

That tradesmen us'd their wives as lures, seems certain. Compare, in Marston's Dutch Courtean (1605), Act III. sc. i. (Works, 1856, ii. 155). Mistresse Mulligrub speaking to Lionell, the man of Mister Burnish, a Goldsmith, about his master and mistress:—

"An honest man hee is, and a crafty. Hee comes forward in the world well, I warrant him; and his wife is a proper woman; that she is! Well, she has ben as proper a woman as any in Cheape. She paints now, and yet she keeps her husbands old customers to him still. In troth, a fine-fac'd wife, in a wain-scot-carv'd seat, is a worthy ornament to a tradesmans shop, and an attractive, I warrant: her husband shall find it in the custome of his ware, Ile assure him." And at p. 157, Master Mulligrub says,

"All thinges with me shall seeme honest that can be profitable. He must nere winch, that would or thrive or save,

To be cald nigard, cuckold, cut-throat, knave!"

And in his Satyre I, 1598, Works, iii. 215, Marston says :-

"Who would not chuck to see such pleasing sport,
To see such troupes of gallants still resort
Unto Cornutos shop? What other cause
But chast Brownetta, Sporo thether drawes?"

Machiavelli's Instructions to his Son how to make money and get on in life,—which, if not meant as a Satire, is an utterly base and mean-in-spirit, tho' worldly-wise book—says on this subject:—

"If that thy wife be faire, and thou but poore, Let her stand like a picture at thy doore, Where, though she do but pick her fingers ends, Faire eies, fond lookes, will gaine a world of friends. Taske her not to worke, if she be prettie: Bid her forbeare; her toyle makes thee pittie; Shee may with ease, have meanes for greater gaines, With rich rewards, and pleasure for her paines. Play at bo-peepe, see me and see me not; It comes off well, that is so closely got; And euermore say, 'aye! well fare the vent That paies the charges of the house, and rent!' Come, come, tis no matter, be rul'd by this, The finest Dames doth some times do amisse. Yet walke demure, like puritants indeede, And earely rise to a Sermon for a neede, And make great shew of deuoutest praier, When she only goes to meete her louer.

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Turning backe, poore foole desires the text; Shee tels him any thing that cometh next; And turning o're the lease to reade the verse, Scarse for laughing, one word can rehearse, But prettily turnes it off with some iest: He beares with all; he knowes it is his best.

If that thy wife be olde, thy Daughters yong,
And faire of face, and of a fluent tongue,
If by her sutors, siluer may be had,
Beare with small faults; the good will help the bad.
Be not too seuere, time may mend their faults;
He is a foole, before a cripple haults;
Or he that findes a fault where gaine comes in,
Tis pittie but his cheekes should e're look thin:
What though thou knowst that vice doe gaine it all;
Will vertue helpe, when thou beginst to fall?
This is no world for vertuous men to thriue;
Tis worke enough to keepe thy selfe aliue.
Let Wife and Daughters loue to make thee wealthie;
Thou knowst that gold will seeke to make thee healthie.

If thy maid-seruants be kinde-hearted wenches,
And closely make kinde bargins on the benches,
Let them haue libertie, loue and pleasure;
All these are helpes to bring in thy treasure;
Let them laugh and be merrie; it yeelds content;
Thei'le humor all, till all their coyne is spent.
If by their pleasures, may thy profit grow,
Winke at a wanton who hath not beene so."

1613.—The Vncasing of Machinils Instructions to his Sonne, p. 13-14.

"The Answer to Machiavels Vncasing" says, ib. sign. F 2, back :-

"An honest minde in euery trade doth well,
The winde blowes ill, that blowes the soule to hell.
Doe not before the Diuell a Candle hold,
Seeke no corrupt meanes for siluer or gold.

If that thy wife be faire, be thou not foule,
To let her play the Ape, and thou the Owle.
Winke at no faults; it is but misery,
By bestiall meanes to releeue necessity.
If thou bee a Husband, gouerne so thy wife,
That her peeuish meanes worke not thy strife;
Giue her not too much lawe, to run before;
Too much boldnesse doth bring thy ouerthrow;
Yet abridge her not too much by any meane;
But let her still be thy companion.

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And to thy daughter proue a better sire,
Then [= than], like a hacknie, let her out to hire.
What a greeuous case were this for thee,
To extoll thy selfe to prosperity
By such insatiat meanes! a heavy sense
Deserving nought but hell for recompence."

Then the Answer goes on to advise that austerity and distance between Father and Child which is in such markt contrast with our modern notions and practice, but is recommended in King Solomon's Book of Wisdom, in my Adam Davie (E. E. T. Soc., 1878), and other early books on the treatment of children (see my Babees Book, &c., E. E. Text Soc.):—

"Like a kinde father, loue thy children deare, Yet to outward view let not loue appeare, Least too boldly they, presuming on thy loue, By audacious meanes doe audacious proue. Seeme not a companion in any case To thy children: learne them know who's in place, That due obedience to thee be done; The end must nedes be good, that's well begonne. Thus may thy children be at thy commaund, With willing heart, still helpefull at thy hand. Familiarity, contempt doth breed; By no meanes doe thou stoope vnto thy seede: Whilst the twig is yong, bend it as thou list; Once being growne, thei'll stubbornely resist, Caring not for parents nor their talking, Commending their owne wits; age is doting. Looke well to youth and how their time is spent, Least thou by leasure afterwards repent . . . Vse no corrections in an angry vaine, Which will but vexe thee much, increase thy paine . . . The greefe is thine, when children goe astray; Giue them not too much liberty to play, Least that they doe to a custome bring it, And euer after forbeare to leaue it."

[sign. G 2] "Machiauels rules, let Machiauels reade; Loue thou thy God; his spirit be thy speede."

p. 87-8. The following applies to a woman who keeps a shop herself:-

"Tell mistris minkes, shee that keepes the shop, Shee is a Ship that beares a gallant top; Shee is a Lady for her louely face, And her countenance hath a Princes grace, And that her beautie hath inthrald thee soe,

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Except shee yeelds remorse, shee workes thy woe; Then cast thine eye vpon her beautious cheeke, Protesting that thou neuer saw'st the like: Her smooth forehead and her comly dressing; Her louely Breasts, cause loues increasing; Her Iuorie teeth, her lip and chin; Her snow white hand, the like was neuer seene; Her leg and foote, with her gate so comlie, Her apparel's worne so neate and seemely: Thus o're-worne with care thou mai'st seeme to be, Till thou hast made her proude herselfe to see; Then she nods the head with smiling fauor, That thou shouldst bestow such loue vpon her. Then bite the lip, winke and hang the head, And give a sigh, as though thy heart were dead; And shew strange passions of affections sence, That she may pittie loue sirreuerence, Wishing her selfe worthie of thy fauor, Which is a meanes to gaine some thing by her. Thus let the issue of this cunning be, That from her purse, some profit come to thee, A peece of Sattin, Fustian, or some Stuffe, A Falling-Band, or a three Double-ruffe; A Hat, a Shirt, a Cloack-cloath or a Ring, Kniues, Purses, Gloues, or some such prettie thing, Some-what hath some sauour, 'tis this gaine That still inuention gives his sweetest vaine."

1615 .- The Vncasing of Machinils Instructions to his Sonne, p. 11-12.

p. 88, L. 8: thei have Gardens, &-c.—Compare the description of Angelo's garden in Measure for Measure, IV. i. 28—33. In it was a garden-house, V. i. 212. Corisca says, "I have a couch and a banqueting-house in my orchard, Where many a man of honour has not scorn'd To spend an afternoon."—Massinger's Bondman, ed. Gifford, 1840, Act I. sc. iii. p. 93, col. 1.—S.

"This yeare is like to proue fatall to such as followe the Garden Alleyes, for, as some haue gone before, so the rest are like to followe, and marre their drinking with an hempen twist vnlesse they leaue Harlotte-hunting, with more good will then Millers haue minde to morning prayer if the winde serue them in any corner on Sundaies." 1606.—Anthony Nixon, The Black Yeare, C 3, back.

In Skialetheia, 1598, mention is made of an old citizen,

"who, comming from the.
Curtaine [in Shoreditch] sneaketh in
To some odde garden noted house of sinne;"

and West, in a rare poem, The Court of Conscience, 1607, tells a libertine,

"Towards the Curtaine then you must be gon,

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The garden alleyes paled on either side;

Ift be too narrow walking, there you slide,"

(See p. 308 below.) Halliwell's Illustrations, p. 38.

Also in 1606, No-Body and Some-Body, Simpson's School of Shakspere, i. 352 :-

"Somebody doth maintaine a common strumpet Ith Garden-allies, and undid himselfe."

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p. 89, 90. Harlots & Brothels.—See S. Rowlands's Doctor Merrie-Man, 1609, sign. C 3 (p. 21, Hunt. Club, 1877), and the fun she makes of the men she takes in:—

"I am a profest Courtezan, That liue by peoples sinne : With halfe a dozen Puncks I keepe, I have great comming in. Such store of Traders haunt my house, To finde a lusty Wench, That twentie Gallants in a weeke, Doe entertaine the French; Your Courtier, and your Citizen, Your very rustique Clowne, Will spend an Angell on the Poxe, Euen ready mony downe. I striue to liue most Lady-like, And scorne those foolish Queanes, That doe not rattle in their Silkes And yet haue able meanes I have my Coach, as if I were A Countesse, I protest, I haue my daintie Musicke playes When I would take my rest. I have my Seruing-men that waite Vpon mee in blew Coates;

I have my Oares that [do] attend My pleasure, with their boates: I have my Champions that will fight, My Louers that do fawne: I haue my Hat, my Hood1, my Maske, My Fanne, my Cobweb Lawne; To giue my Gloue vnto a Gull, Is mighty fauour found, When for the wearing of the same, It costs him twentie pound. My Garter, as a gracious thing, Another takes away: And for the same, a silken Goune The Prodigall doth pay. . . . Another lowly-minded youth, Forsooth my Shooe-string craues, And that he putteth through his eare, Calling the rest, bace slaues. . Thus fit I Fooles in humours still, That come to me for game, I punish them for Venerie, Leauing their Purses lame."

And see Macilente's chaff of Fastidious Brisk in prison, brought there by buying presents for smart ladies:

"What, do you sigh? this it is to kiss the hand of a countess, to have her coach sent for you, to hang poniards in ladies' garters, to wear bracelets of their hair, and for every one of these great favours, to give some slight jewel of five

^{1 &}quot;Alice. The poor common whores can have no traffic for the priny rich ones; your caps and hoods of velvet call away our customers, and lick the fat from us." 1616.—Ben Jonson, Bartholomew Fair, IV. iii. Works, ii. 192, col. 1.

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hundred crowns or so: why, 'tis nothing! Now, monsieur, you see the plague that treads on the heels o' your foppery: well, go your ways in, remove yourself to the two-penny ward quickly to save charges." 1599.—Ben Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour, V. vii.; Works, i. p. 138, col. 2.

p. 97, l. 13: huggle, to embrace closely.

"Lye still, lye still, thou little Musgrave, And huggle me from the cold."

Little Musgrave and Lady Barnard, Il. 61-2. Percy's Reliques of Ancient Poetry.—S.

p. 97. Cottages in cuery lane end. Against this evil was passt, in 1589, the Act 31 Eliz. c. 7. "An acte againste erectinge and mayntayninge of Cottages. For the avoydinge of the great Inconveniences which are founde by experience to growe by the erectinge and buyldinge of great nombers and multitude of Cottages, which are daylie more and more increased in manye partes of this Realme: Be it enacted.. That.. noe person shall, within this Realme of England, make buylde or erect. any manner of Cottage for habitacion or dwelling, nor convert or ordeyne anye Buyldinge or Howsinge. as a Cottage for habitacion or dwellinge, unlesse the same person doe assigne and laye to the same Cottage or Buyldinge fower acres of Grownde at the least. beinge his or her owne Freehold and Inheritaunce lienge nere to the said Cottage, to be contynuallie occupied & manured therewith, so longe as the same Cottage shalbe inhabited." The Penalty for breaking the Act was £10, and 40s. a Month for keeping such a Cottage.

p. 98. Whoredom to be punisht.

"In this Treatise (louing countrimen) you shall see what . . . inconvenience may come by following flattering strumpets. I know not, I, what should be the cause why so innumerable harlots and Curtizans abide about London, but because that good lawes are not looked vnto: is there not one appointed for the apprehending of such hell-moths, that eat a man out of bodie & soule? And yet there be more notorious strumpets & their mates about the Citie and the suburbs, than euer were before the Marshall was appointed: idle mates, I meane, that vnder the habit of a Gentleman or seruing man, think themselues free from the whip, although they can giue no honest account of their life." 1602.—S. Rowlands, Greenes Ghost haunting Coniecatchers, sign. A 2, back (Hunterian Club, 1872, p. 4-5).

Compare in C. Bansley's Pryde and Abuse of Women, ab. 1550, Hazlitt's E. Pop. Poetry, iv. 233:

"Take no example by shyre townes,
Nor of the Cytic of London:
For therein dwell proude wycked
ones,

The poyson of all this region.

For a stewde strumpet can not so soone Gette up a lyght lewde fashyon, But everye wanton Jelot wyll lyke it well,

And catch it up anon."

And Latimer's 6th Sermon, in 1549, before Edward VI.: "O Lord, what whoredom is used now-a-days.. how God is dishonoured by whoredom in this city of London; yea, the Bank [Southwark], when it stood, was never so common!.. It is wonderful that the city of London doth suffer such whoredom

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may marry, and then he marries that he may be made cuckold in't; for if their wives ride not to their cuckolding, they do them no credit." 1614.—Ben Jonson, Bartholomew I'air, IV. iii. Works, ed. Cunningham, ii. 192, col. 2.

GLUTTONY AND DRUNKENNESS.

p. 102: glutton.—" What good can the great gloton do w't his bely standing a strote, like a taber, & his noll toty with drink, but balk vp his brewes in yo middes of his matters, or lye down and slepe like a swine. And who douteth but yo the body dilicately fed, maketh, as yo rumour saith, an vnchast bed." d. 1535, Sir T. More, Works (1557), p. 100.—R. Roberts.

"London, look on, this matter nips thee near:

Leave off thy riot, pride, and sumptuous cheer;

Spend less at board, and spare not at the door,

But aid the infant, and relieve the poor;

Else, seeking mercy, being merciless,

Thou be adjudg'd to endless heaviness."

Lodge & Greene's Looking-Glass for London & England,

pr. 1594; p. 120, col. ii., ed. Dyce.

p. 102. Gluttony: see the 'Gluttone' in Rowlands's Ile Stabbe yee, 1604 (1872, p. 36); S. Rowlands, 'To a Gormandizing Glutton', in his Knaue of Speaks (? 1611), ed. 1874, p. 35; his Letting of Humours Blood (1600), ed. 1874, p. 85. See too W. Averell, in 1588, on Gluttony and Drunkenness:—

"What should I speake of your two greatest Gods wokupasia and wokuwosia, gluttonous feeding and excessive drinking, by which you make a number, not men but beastes, that have their soules but in stedde of salt, to keepe their bodies from noysome stincke, who, though they appeare men, are indeede but Ventres, that place their pleasure in long feeding, and their delight in strong drinking.

"I [the Back] am not so changable in fashions, as you [the Belly] are choyse in dishea: what boyling, what baking, what roasting, what stewing, what curious and daintie conseruing, what Syrropes, what sauces, with a thousand deuices to more an appetite without necessitic, and charge nature without neede. I talke not of other effects that accompany your gluttonous bellie when it is fant with wine. What lasciniousnes in wordes, what wantonnes in gestures, what filthines in deedes, what swearing and blaspheming, what quarrelling and brawling, what murder and bloodshed, nay what wickednes is not vitemperat belly subject to, and most readic to accomplish?

"Besides, howe doth your gluttonic chaunge Natures comlines into foule deformednes? how do the eyes flame with fierines, the face flush with rednes, the hands shake with vistedfastnes, and the feete reele through drunkeneses? the head swimmes, the eyes dazell, the tongue stammers, the stomack is ouercharged, the body distempered, and the feeble legges ouerburdened, which beeing not able

to beare an vnrulie Lord, doo lay him in ye durt like an ouer ruled slaue; and so through your distemperature, your selfe not alone weakened, but the other members so diseased, as to reckon vppe the sicknesses and sores of which the Bellie is cause, were to purge the stables of Augea king of Elis, or to sette them downe which were neuer knowne to Auicen, Galien, Hippocrates, nor all the Phisitions that euer liued, so that by these meanes it may be saide, that a gluttonous Bellye makes rich Phisitions and fat Churchyardes."-A meruailous combat of contrarieties, by W. [illiam] A. [verell] 1588, sign. B 2, back, B 3.

p. 102. Drunkard: see S. Rowlands' sketch of one in his Ile Stabbe yee, 1604, C 3, p. 21; Diogines Lanthorne, 1607 (ed. 1873, p. 7-8); also his Epigrams 21 and 22 in his Letting of Humours Blood, 1600 (ed. 1874, p. 27-8); and his praise of good liquor in Letting, &c., p. 76-8. On 'How to make Drunken folk Sober,' see Sir Wm. Vaughan's Naturall and Artificiall Directions for Health, 1608. Compare also the Act :-

A.D. 1606-7. 4 James I, chap. v. "An Acte for repressinge the odious and loathsome synne of Drunckenes. Whereas the loathsome and odyous Synne of Drunkennes is of late growen into common use within this Realme, beinge the roote and foundacion of many other enormious Synnes, as Bloodshed, Stabbinge, Murder, Swearinge, Fornicacion, Adulterye, and such lyke, to the great dishonour of God and of our Nacion, the overthrowe of many good Artes and Manuell Trades, the disablinge of dyvers Workmen, and the generall ympoverishing of many good Subjectes abusievely wasting the good Creatures of God: Be it therefore enacted . . That all and every person or persons which, after Fortie Dayes next followinge the end of this present Session of Parliament, shalbe drunke, and of the same Offence of Drunkennes shall be lawfullie convicted, shall for every such Offence forfeite and loose Fyve Shillinges . . to be paid within one week next after his her or their Conviccion thereof, to the Handes of the Churchwardens of that Parish where the Offence shalbe commytted, who shalbe accompable therefore to the use of the Poore of the same Parishe. ."

§ III puts a Penalty of 3s. 4d., or the Stocke, on Persons found tippling, on View of any Mayor, Justices, &c. (On Church-Ales, &c., see p. 307-9 below.)

See too in Lupton's Sivquila (Aliquis), 1580, p. 57-60, the judgment on a rich drunkard and a poor one, in Nusquam or Nowhere, Lupton's 'Utopia':-

Niggardly and drunken than swine.

"A, thou churle, more churlish than a hog or swine! for though sometimes they drive their fellowes from the meat, and eate by themselues, yet when they have filled themselues sufficiently, they goe awaye, and leaue the reste, eate it who wil. But thou, greedie

cormorant, when thou hast taken more than is sufficient, thou dost not only consume more on thy selfe, but also the rest thou keepest from the poore hungrie brother, and wilt not leave anye thing for him, as the swine doth. And now. seeing Gods lawe cannot moue thee to go vnto Heauen, I will see if our law can stay thee from Hel. Therfore, bycause thou hast so much welth that thou canst not tel how to bestow the same wel, and more liuing than thou art worthy

A good judgea drunkarde.

of; therefore I wil, according to the lawe made for drunkards, ment given vpon that thou shalt give yerely during thy life, a prechers stipend to a godly learned man, for his better maintenance; who shall

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[1. To pay a Preacher to preach to him 3 times a week,]

be bounde euery weeke, three times, during thy life, not only to attend vpon thee one halfe houre at a time, then instructing thee (by the Scriptures) thy dutie to God and man, and the way to saluation, persuading thee also from drunkennesse, and shewing

[& 3 times a week in his parish church.] [2. to sit for 3 market days with a pot in his hand, & "Drunkard"

also howe detestable it is before God, and what is the gaine thereof; But also shall preache three dayes euery weeke in the parishe Churche where thou dwellest. And thou shalt sitte also three market dayes in the open Market, with a pot in thy hand, & a wryting on thy forehead, as followeth: 'This is the Drunkarde that spente as muche dayly at the Tauernes and for wine, as tenne of his nexte neyghboures did spende daylye in their houses.' And this on his forehead.] being ended, thou shalte remayne one halfe yeare in prison, and there thou shalt be taught to fast for thy long excesse: for

3. go to prison for half a yeare. euerye dinner thou shalte be allowed not aboue a grote, in breade, drinke, and meate: and thou shalte be allowed nothing but breade and drinke at night in steade of thy supper, whiche shall not be aboue the value of a pennye." The poor man who is a drunkard is to "sitte in the open market as the riche man did, but he shal not be imprisoned, . . he must not drinke in anye Tipling-house or Tauerne the space of one whole yeare after. And bycause he may be knowen, he shall weare on his bosome the picture of a swine, al that while, whensoeuer he shall be out of his owne house, . and euery Sondaye during that yere, he shal sit before the Pulpit al the Sermon tyme, to heare the word of God, and learne to auoyde drunkennesse." Then, after complaining of the richer drunkards in England, Sivquila says "And the poorer sort, thoughe they are not so able as they (the rich), nor can not so conueniently as they, yet on the Sundaye at the furthest they wyll bee euen wyth them, (if one days drinking will serue) for they wyll so tipple almost al the daye, and perhaps the next night, that all their whole weekes worke will scantly paye their Sundayes shotte: but some of them (not worth verye much) if they worke one day, they will loyter and drinke three for it, (I will not saye they will be drunke two and a halfe of the same.)"

See also the extract on drunkards from Bullein in my Babees Book, p. 247, and Andrew Boorde's Introduction, my edn., p. 147, 149, 337-8.

"And I would to God, that in our time also wee had not just cause to complaine of this vicious plant of unmeasurable Boalling [bowl-ing] For it is not sufferable in a Christian Countrie, that men should thus labour with great contention, and strive, for the maistrie (as it were) to offende God, in so wilfull waste of his gratious benefits." 1570-1601.-W. Lambarde. Perambulation of Kent, 1826 reprint, p. 320-1.

"Awake, thou noblest drunkard Bacchus; thou must likewise stand to me, if thou canst for reeling. Teach me, you sovereign skinker, how to take the German's upsy-freeze, the Danish rousa, the Switzer's stoop of rhenish, the Italian's parmizant, the Englishmans healths, his hoops, cans, half-cans, gloves, frolics, and flapdragons, together with the most notorious qualities of the truest tosspots, as, when to cast, when to quarrel, when to fight, and where to sleep: hide not a drop of thy moist mystery from me, thou plumpest swill-bowl: but, like an honest red-nosed wine-bibber, lay open all thy secrets, and the mystical hieroglyphic of rashers o' th' coals, modicums, and shoeing-horns, and

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why they were invented, for what occupations, and when to be used." 1609. T. Dekker. Guls Hornbook, Proemium, ed. 1862, p. 4.

My friend Prof. Paul Meyer, in his interesting Preface to his edition of Le Débat des Hérants d'Armes (ab. 1546), and John Coke's Answer to it (1550), for his Societé des Anciens Textes Français, 1877, notes, that among the kindly remarks on England of the French Middle-Age writers—for France and England were then nearly one,—the only reproach was that Anglia potat 1, or Li mieldre buveor en Angleterre, 2 though William of Normandy says in his Besant 3 that Pride has married in England her 3 eldest daughters, Envy, Lechery, Drunkenness. The most fertile source of early chaff against the English was the legend of their having tails, being Anglici caudati, as their apostle St. Augustine bare witness. See the article caudati in Du Cange; A de Montaiglon, Anciennes Poesies Françaises VI, 347, &c. P. Meyer. See also Robert of Brunne's Chronicle.

p. 103. England better in old times.—See the other side of the question, in S. Rowlands's 'Twas a merry world in the old time' in his A Fooles Bolt is soone shot, 1614 (ed. 1873, Hunterian Club, p. 28-9).

p. 103: rough fare of our Forefathers: roots, pulse, herbes, &c. Compare the Ploughman's food in Will's Vision, Text B, Passus VI, l. 282, 321, p. 107-110, E. E. T. Soc., ed. Skeat, bearing out this assertion, more or less. In Edward VI.'s time, Wm. Forrest says in his Pleasaunt Poesye of Princelie Practise (Starkey's Life & Letters, E. E. T. Soc. 1878, Extra Series, ed. Herrtage):—

MS. Reg. 17 D III. If 61 (dated, on If 8, A. D. 1548).

"So, for that Oxe whiche hathe beene the like solde, for ffortie shealing is nowe takethe hee fyue pownde: yea, seauyn is more, I haue herde it so tolde: hee cannot els lyue; so deeare is his grownde.

Sheepe, thoughe they neauer so plentie abownde, suche price they beare whiche shame is to here tell, that scace the pooareman can bye a morsell.

Twoe pense (in Beeif) hee cannot haue serued, other in Mutton, the price is so hye: vndre a groate hee can haue none kerued: so goethe hee (and his) to bedde hungrelye, and risethe agayne withe bellies emptie, whiche turnethe to tawnye their white englisch skyn, like to the swarthie coelored Fflawndrekyn.

Wheare they weare valiaunt, stronge, sturdy & stowte, [if 61, back.] to shoote, to wrastle, to dooe anye mannys feate: to matche all natyons dwellinge heere abowte, as hitherto (manlye) they holde the chief seate;

¹ Reliquiae Antiquae, Wright & Halliwell, i. 5 (Cotton MS. Vesp. B xiii). Archives des Missions, 2nd series, iii. 183 (Digby MS. 53, Bodleian Library).

² Le Roux de Lincy, Livre des Proverbes, ii. 281.

³ ed. Martin, l. 2000-3: cp. the editor's note on this passage.

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if they bee pinched and weyned from meate, I wisse, O kynge, they, in penurye thus pende, shall not bee able thye Royalme to defende.

Owre Englische nature cannot lyue by Rooatis, by water herbys, or suche beggerye baggage, that maye well serue for vile owtelandische Cooatis geeue Englische men meate, after their olde vsage, Beeif, Mutton, Veale, to cheare their courage; and then I dare to this byll sett my hande: they shall defende this owre noble Englande."

TREATMENT OF THE POOR, USURY, &c.

p. 105. Stinginess of the Rich to the Poor.—"The poore with vs, woulde thinke themselues happy, if they mighte have a messe of potage, or the scraps that come from the Rich mens tables, two or three houres after they begin their dinner or supper, and to have the same given them at their doore. But many of The wicked and the saide rich greedie guttes, caring for nothing, but for the hilling cruel vsing of and-filling of their owne backe and bellie, can not be content to the poore.

goe by their poore pitiful brethren and give them nothing, but they will moste vncharitably and vnchristianly rebuke them, chide them, rattle them, yea, and threat them, that the poore, being checkt of them that shoulde chearishe them, are almost driven to despaire." 1580.—T. Lupton. Sivquila, p. 28-9.

p. 116. Neglect of the poor.—See Robert Copland's most interesting account of the Beggars, Ne'er-do-weels, and Unthrifts of Henry VIII's time in his Hye Way to the Spyttel Hous (The folk who come to St. Bartholomew's Hospital), about 1532-5 A.D., in Hazlitt's Popular Poetry, iv. 17-72. On the poor dying in the streets, and vagrants lying there, he says, p. 30-1:—

'... I haue sene at sondry hospytalles
That many haue lyne dead without the walles,
And for lacke of socour haue dyed wretchedly,
Unto your foundacyon, I thynke, contrary.
Moche people resort here, and haue lodgyng;
But yet I maruell greatly of one thyng,
That in the nyght so many lodge without:
For in the whatche whan that we go about,
Under the stalles, in porches, and in doores,
(I wote not whither they be theues or hoores,
But surely,) euery nyght ther is found
One or other lyeng by the pound,
In the shepe-cootes, or in the hey-loft;
And at Saynt Barthylmews chyrch dore full ofte.

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And euen here by this brycke wall
We do them fynd, that do bothe chyde and brall;
And lyke as bestes togyder they be throng,
Bothe lame, and seke, and hole, them among,
And in many corners wher that we go,
Wherof I wondre greatly why they do so,
But oftymes when they vs se,
They do resne a great deal faster than we."

p. 116. Inclosures. See the series of extracts on this subject in my Ballads from MSS., Part I, Ballad Society; the Supplications edited by Mr. J. M. Cowper and me for the E. E. Text Soc., 1871, and his edition of Starkey's England in Henry VIII's Time, E. E. Text Soc. 1871; Harrison, Pt. I. p. 306-7, &c. &c. And let us always remember that Shakspere, before he died, "told Mr. J. Greene that he was not able to beare the enclosing of Welcombe", the open landbrow—since enclosed—whence one best sees his Stratford. (Leop. Sh. Introd., p. cix.)

p. 117. Lawyers. — See Harrison, Part I. p. 204-7; Father Hubbard's Tales (1604) in the last volume of Dyce's Middleton, &c. The complaint starts from long before Piers Plowman (Text B, Prol. l. 214-15, ed. Skeat), and even still continues, more or less.

"Oh, the innumerabyl wyles, craftys, sotyltes and delayes, that be in the lawe, which the lawyers wil neuer spye, because of their private lucres sake; wherby the comon welth is robbed. Thei be almost as euyl as the wicked bisshops and prestes of Antichryst, saue only that thei robbe us but of our temporal goodys, and not of our fayth." Ab. 1542.—Hy. Brinklow, Complayat of Roderick Mors, E. E. T. Soc. 1874, p. 21.

p. 118. Dearth (dearness, cost).—See my Stafford's Compendious Examination of certeyne ordinary Complaints, 1581. New Shaksp. Soc. 1876.

"What saies the craftie Clowne in clowted shooes, Time was ordain'd to get, and not to loose.

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What though the poore lye staruing in the ditch?

It is the dearth of Corne makes Farmers rich."

1613.—The Vncasing of Machivils Instructions to his Sonne, p. 8.

p. 119, l. 12 from foot. Notwithstanding some mercilesse tygers, &-c.—"Sivqila. I knewe one that was empouerished bothe by the losse of the Sea, and by suretiship, yet notwithstanding he was caste into prison of his cruel Creditors, who having not sufficient lefte to satisfie them, offered to give them all that he hadde, and to leave himselfe nothing in the worlde but the simple clothes he went in (which were not worth the value of a Noble), and yet these mercilesse wretches wold not release him out of prison, but kept him there, saying, they woulde make Dice of his bones, if they hadde nothing else."—Thomas Lupton's Sivyila, p. 35. See p. 293 below.

p. 119. Covetous men buying up poor men's land.

"Cormerauntes, gredye gulles, yea, men that would eate vp menne, women, & chyldren, are the causes of Sedition! They take our houses ouer our headdes, they bye our growndes out of our handes, they reyse our rentes, they leauie great (yea, vnreasonable) fines, they enclose oure commens! . . we knowe not whyche waye to turne vs to lyue . . . In the countrey we can not tarye, but we must be theyr slaues, and laboure tyll our hertes brast, and then they must haue al. And to go to the cities we haue no hope, for there we heare that these vnsaciable beastes haue all in theyr handes. Some haue purchased, and some taken by leases, whole allyes, whole rentes, whole rowes, yea, whole streats and lanes, so that the rentes be reysed, some double, some triple, and some four fould to that they were wythin these .xii. yeres last past. Yea, ther is not so much as a garden grownd fre from them." 1550.—R. Crowley, The Way to Wealth. Select Works, E. E. T. S., 1872, p. 132-3.

Hear also Becon, who died in 1570:-" The cause of all thys wretchednesse Gentlemen and beggery in the common weale are the gredy Gentylmen, whyche Shepmongers. are shepemongers and grasyars. Whyle they study for their owne private commoditie, the common weale is lyke to decay. Since they began to be shepe Maysters and feders of cattell we neyther had vyttayle nor cloth of any reasonable pryce. No meruayle, for these forstallars of the market, as they vse to saye haue gotten al thynges so into theyr handes, that the poore man muste eyther bye it at their pryce, or else miserably starue for hongar, and wretchedly dye for colde. For they are touched with no pity toward the poore. It is founde Philip. ii. [21] true in them that S. Paul wrighteth. Al seke their own aduantage, and not those thinges which belong vnto Iesu Christ. They whiche in tymes past wer wont to be fathers of the contry, are now pollers and pyllers of the contry. They which in times past wer wont to be the defenders of the poore, are now become the destroiers of the same. They by whom the common weale sometime was prescrued, are now become the Caterpillers of the common weale, and suche as seme by their maners to haue made a solemne vow vtterly to subuert the common weale, and to procure ye final destruction of the same. They are insatiable woulfes. They know no measure. So they may reigne, they care not who suffer pain. So they may abound, they care not who

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fal to the grounde. So they may be enriched, they care not who be enpouerished. Thei ar right brothers of Cain, which had rather slea his brother Abel, than he should have any part with him of worldly possessions. The wyse Gone. iiii. man sayeth the bread of the nedy is the life of the pore, he yt Becle. xxxiiii. [21] defraudeth him of it, is a mansleare. Do not these ryche worldlynges defraud the pore man of his bread, whereby is vnderstand al things neces-Bread what it sary for a mans lyfe, which through their insaciable couetousnes sel signifieth. al things at so hie price, and suffer townes so to decay that the pore hath not what to eate nor yet where to dwell! What other are they than, but very manslears? They abhorre the names of Monkes, Friers, Chanons, Nonnes, &c. but their goods they gredely gripe." Becon, Jewel of Joy. Works, 1564, Vol. II. fol. xvi. back—fol. xvii.—S. J. Herrtage.

'Les gros poissons mangent les petis: Pro. Justly applyed to the vniust world, wherein the rich deuoure the poore, the strong the weake, the mightie the meane.' 1611.—Cotgrave.

p. 119: misers, or rich men, adding land to land.—" Though all put their trust in God, with you, the most put their trust in themselues with vs: for if they did not, their would not so greedily gather their goods togither, & lay lands to lands, houses to houses, and riches to riches, as they do. Some that are worth thousands, though they loke every day to die, (being of such extreame age) have so little trust and confidence in God, that gave them all they have, that they are so sparing to themselves, so niggardly to theyr neighbours, and so pinching to the povertie, as though they should live here ever, or else as though they had not ynough to finde themselves one day." 1580.—T. Lupton. Sivquila, p. 70-1.

"What mettayle is this money that makes men so mad? What mischiefe is it thereby is not wrought? What earthly thing is not therefore to be had? What hath been so loved, but money hath bought? What vertue, or goodness, of us so much sought? 'Who doth not wish for money,' each one doth say. How many for money have been robbed and murthered? How many false witnesses, and for money perjured? How many wives from their husbands have been enticed? How many maydens to folly for money allured? How many for money have spirits and divells conjured? How many friends, for money have beene mortall foes? Mo mischieves for money then I can disclose! How many kings and princes for money have been poisoned? How many betrayers of their country for money every day? How many for money from true iudgment are led? Did not the prophet Balaam curse God's people for money? Did not Iudas, for money, his master Christ betray?" &c. &c. 1578 .- T. Lupton, All for Money, in Halliwell's Lit. of 16th & 17th Centuries, p. 107. He also gives the other side of the question:

"Pleasure. In what case were the worlde, were it not for money? Without ioye and pleasure, better be dead then aliue:

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To liue like dome [dumb] goddes, who would not be wearie? To satisfie mans nature with pleasures, I can contrive, But I conteyne them at this time and hower, Hawking and hunting, shooting and fishing, Eating and drinking, dysing and carding, Riding and running, swimming and singing, Daunsing and leaping, with all kinde of playing, Banketing with fine meates, and wine of all sortes, Dallying with faier women, with other kinde of sportes: All fine apparell that makes the heart ioye. With musicall instruments, both with man and boye. Thus no sporte or ioye wherein man hath solace, But I doe conteyne them, though money bring them to passe."

1578.—T. Lupton. All for money, sign. B.j.

p. 123. Usury. See Harrison, I, p. 242. Also S. Rowlands, 'To Mr. Mony-bag the Vsurer' in his Knaue of Spades (? 1611), ed. 1874, p. 26; and his sketch of Usury in his Diogines Lanthorne, 1607 (Hunt. Club, 1873, p. 6.7).

See the description of Avarice in *Piers Plowman*, Text B, Pass. v. p. 67-73, ed. Skeat, E. E. T. Soc., and specially lines 257-9:

"Hastow pite on pore men, pat mote nedes borwe?

¶ I haue as moche pite of pore men, as pedlere hath of cattes,

Dat wolde kille hem, yf he cacche hem myste, for coveitise of here
skynnes."

"Simplicity. O that vild Usury! he lent my father a little money; and for breaking one day,

He took the fee-simple of his house and will quite away; And yet he borrowed not half a quarter as much as it cost; But I think, if it had been a shilling, it had been loste, So he kill'd my father with sorrow, and undoed me quite."

1584.—The Three Ladies of London, Hazlitt's Dodsley's Old Plays, vi. 259. See the list of books against Usury in 5th Series of N. & Q., x. 423, and xi. 63.

p. 123. Every Begger almost is called Maister.—See Lancelot's "MAISTER Launcelet" in the Merchant of Venice, II. ii. 51, and the extract illustrating it from Sir Thomas Smith's Commonwealth of England, bk. I, ch. 20 (founded on Harrison, I, 133, 137), which I printed in New Sh. Soc.'s Trans. 1877-9, p. 103-4. Also Shakspere getting his "yeoman" father arms, and making him a "gentleman" in 1596 (Leopold Shakspere Introduction, p. ciii); and p. 237, above.

p. 124. Usury allowd by Law. The Act 13 Elizabeth, c. 8—which revived the 37 Hen. VIII, cap. 9, that had been repealed by 5 & 6 Edward VI, cap. 20—authorized the taking of 10 per cent. interest for money lent on loan or mortgage. The rate was reduced to 5 p. c. by the 12 Anne, St. 2, ch. 16.

p. 126-7. Prisoners for debt.

"Fallace . . . if he come with his actions upon you, Lord deliver you! you are in for one, half-a-score year; he kept a poor man in Ludgate once twelve

year for sixteen shillings." 1599.—Ben Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour, V. vii., Works, i. 137, col. 2.

"I am, Sir, a Keeper of the Counter, and there are in our wards above a hundred poore prisoners, that are like nere to come forth without satisfaction." 1606.—No-Body and Some-Body. Simpson's School of Shakspere, i. 307. In The Play of Stucky, 1605, ib. p. 228, the prison stink or plague is mentiond:

"Will you so much annoy your vital powers
As to oppress them with the prison stink!?
You shall not, if you love me, come so near.
The place is mortally infected lately."

"A prison.. is a Fabricke built of the same stuffe the Keepers of it are made of, stone and iron: It is an vnwholesome full-stuffed humorous body, which hath an Hole in the posteriors of it, whence it vents many stinking, noysome and vnsanory smels, which is the onely cause there is such a perpetuall sicknesse and disease in it.. when Epimetheus opened Pandora's box, there did not more mischiefes and maladies flie out of it into the world, then there is in this cursed place, for it hath more sicknesses predominating in it, then there are in twenty French Hospitals, or at the Bathe, in the spring or fall of the leafe." 1617.— Wm. Fennor, The Compters Common-wealth, or A Voiage made to an Infernall Iland long since discovered by many Captaines, &c., Sign. C. (Fennor had been arrested for a debt of £100, and confined in the Compter. He describes interestingly the place, the exacting jailers, the occupants of the two sides of the prison—those who could afford to pay well for food and drink, and those who couldn't—how they went on, how young men were duped and led into debt, &c. The 2nd edition in 1619 was calld Miseries of a Jaile, or A True Description of a Prison.)

p. 127. I will make dice of his bones. The same phrase is used by Lupton (p. 290, above), and Rowlands:

"Greedy Vsurer.

Thou Fur-gown'd slaue, exceeding rich and olde, Ready to be deuowred of the Graue:
Thou that wilt sell a soule, to purchase Gold, And gold, still gold, nothing but golde dost craue:
Thou most extreame hard-harted cruell wretch,
Whome Hell gapes for; the Deuill comes to fetch.
Thou that wilt not forbeare an howers time,
But wilt a forfayture seueerely take:
Thou that by crueltie to wealth dost clyme,
And threatnest, Dice, of poor mens bones to make,
Hauing that rustie gold vpon thy hand,
For which, there's thousandes perish in the land,
Ile stabbe yee."

1604.—S. Rowlands, Looke to it: for, The Stabbe ye, sign. B 3; p. 13, ed. 1872.

^{1 &}quot;See Bacon, Nat. Hist. Cent. X no. 914. Besides the well-known black assizes at Oxford in 1577, there was a similar outbreak at Exeter in 1586. See Holinshed, IV. 868, and Leicester Correspondence, 224."

Notes on pp. 128—131. Swearing.

"Rayse Rentes apace, builde Houses, purchase Landes, Be alwayes raking with Oppressions handes. Thinke all is lawfull purchase, thou can'st catch from thy distressed friendles needy wretch, Buye thy poore neighbours House ouer his head, Turne him and's children out to begge their bread. Deale cruelly with those are in thy debt, And let them at thy handes no fauour get, Send them to Prison; there in all distresse, To taste the mercie of the mercilesse. Ile shackle thee, for stirring handes or feete, Within a Coffin and a Winding-sheete."—Ib. p. 43-4.

"Thou that vauntest, and wilt make dice of thy debtor's bones; be these the words of a man?"—Of Creditors, Minshul's Essayes and Characters of a Prison and Prisoners, 1618, ed. 1821, p. 29.—S.

p. 128. Scriveners. See T. M.'s Father Hubburd's Tales in Dyce's Middleton's Works, vol. v.

SWEARING.

p. 129. Swearing. On this in 1303, see my Roberde of Brunne's Handlyng Synne, pp. 23-7, 88-92. In 1550, R. Crowley's Epigrams, p. 19. On the hunting oaths, 1544, see the Supplication to Henry VIII. in Four Supplications, E. E. T. Soc., 1871, p. 53: "What commessacyon / dronckenes / destable swearinge by all the partes of Christes bodye (and yet callynge them in scorne huntinge othes) extorcyon / pryde / couetuousnes / and suche other detestable vyce, raigne in this yowr realme /"

In 1542, Andrew Boorde said in his *Dyetary*, my ed. p. 243, "in all the worlde there is not suche odyble swearyng as is vsed in Englande, specyally amonge youth & chyldren, which is a detestable thyng to here it, and no man doth go aboute to punysshe it."

p. 131. Swearing. It was the fashion for gallants, not only to swear generally all round, but for each to have oaths special to himself. In Ben Jonson's Every Man out of his Humour (1599), I. i., Works, i. 73, "be sure you mix yourself still with such as flourish in the spring of the fashion, and are least popular [= vulgar]: study their carriage and behaviour in all; learn to play at primero and passage; and even [when you lose] have two or three peculiar oaths to swear by, that no man else swears." And in Every Man in his Humour, I. iii, Cob says: "Well, should they do so much to me, I'd forswear them all, by the foot of Pharaoh! There's an oath! How many water-bearers shall you hear swear such an oath? O, I have a guest [Bobadil]—he teaches me—he does swear the legiblest of any man christened: 'By St. George! the foot of Pharaoh! the body of me! as I am a gentleman and a soldier!' such dainty oaths!" Ben Jonson's Works, i. 12.

'Il iure comme vn Gentilhomme. He sweares after a thousand pound a yeare.'
Il iure comme vn Abbé [viz. extreamly], chartier; gentilhomme; prelat [A Huguenot's comparison]. Like a Tinker, say we.' 1611.—Cotgrave.

"Old Jack of Paris-garden, canst thou get
A faire rich sute, though fouly run in debt?
Looke smug, smell sweet, take up commodities,
Keepe whores, fee bauds, belch impious blasphenies,
Wallow along in swaggering disguise,
Snuffe up smoak-whiffs, and each morne, 'fore she rise,
Visit thy drab? Canst use a false cut die
With a cleane grace and glib facilitie?
Canst thunder common oathes, like th' rattling
Of a huge, double, full-charg'd culvering?
Then, Jack, troupe among our gallants, kisse thy fist,
And call them brothers."

1599.—Jn. Marston, Scourge of Villanie, Works, 1856, iii. 295; and see on p. 281:—

p. 133, ll. 1, 2. Christes blessed bodie, no parte thereof shalbe left untorne.

"Our blisful Lordes body thay to-tere."

CHAUCER, Pardoneres Tale, l. 12. Bell's ed. iii. 73.—S.

R. Copland says of the Beggars at their Suppers in Henry VIII's time, ab. 1532-5, Hye Way to the Spyttel Hous, Hazlitt's Pop. Poetry, iv. 43:—

"And there they reuell as vnthryfty braggers,
With horyble othes swerynge as they were wood, [By Gods]
Armes, nayles, woundes, herte, soule, and blood,
Deth, fote, masse, flesshe, bones, lyfe, and body,
With all other wordes of blasphemy,
Bostynge them all in dedes of theyr myschefe,
And thus passe the tyme with daunce, hore, pipe, thefe.
The hang-man shall lede the daunce at the ende,
For none other ways they do not pretende."

p. 135, l. 9. There was a certaine yong man dwellyng in Enlocalishire, &c.—A copy of Stubbes's poem here referred to, is in the Lambeth Library, and was reprinted in the old Shakespeare Society's Papers, 1849, iv. 73-88. See my Forewords above.

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p. 136, l. 13. There was also a woman in the Citie of Munidnol [= Londinum], &-c.—"The II. of February, Anne Aueries, widow, for swearing her selfe for a litle money that she should have paid for sixe pound of towe, at a shop in Woodstreete of London, fell immediatly downe speechlesse, casting vp at her eth periury. mouth in great abundance, and with horrible stinke, the same matter which by natures course should have bene voided downewards, till she died: a terrible example of Gods iust iudgement vpon such as make no conscience of falsly swearing against their brother."—Stow's Annales, ed. 1605, p. 1152.—S.

SUNDAY SPORTS AND SABBATH-BREAKING.

p. 136. Keeping of Sunday (the Christian) as identified with the Sabbath (Jewish).

As to Stage-playes, see the extract from Gosson's Schoole of Abuse under Theatres, below. As to Fairs and Markets, Harrison, I, p. 344, and the passage, ab. 1584, quoted by Mr. J. M. Cowper in his Crowley's Select Works, E. E. T. Soc., 1872, p. xxiv:—

"Go to alehouses on the Saboth daies: there is as well sold all kinde of loosenesse as vitayles. Go to Greenes: there is myrth that would wounde a Christian mans heart with heauinesse. Goe to Fayres: there is a shewe and traffike, as well of all lewdnesse as of wares. Yea, goe to all other places, both in City and countrey; and what shall you see, but so many euils that prouoke God to the powryng forth of most fearefull iudgements, the Theaters, Parish garden, Tauernes, streetes, fieldes, all full and prophanely occupied, and this chiefly on the Saboth day."—The Vnlawfull Practises Of Prelates Against Godly Ministers, &c., sign. B 3, back. See p. 310, below.

Crowley himself says in his One and thyrtye Epigrammes, 1550 (ed. 1872, p. 9):—

"How bellow they the Schoth, that do the tyme spende

"How hallow they the Saboth, that do the tyme spende	
In drynkinge and idlenes tyll the daye be at an ende,	128
Not so well as he doeth, that goeth to the plowe,	
Or pitcheth vp the sheues from the carte to the mowe."	132
And at p. 16-17 "of Bearbaytynge," he writes:-	
"What follye is thys, to kepe wyth daunger	
A greate mastyfe dogge and a foule ouglye beare?	376
And to thys onely ende to se them two fyght	
Wyth terrible tearynge: a full ougly syght.	380
And yet me thynke those men be mooste foles of all,	
Whose store of money is but verye smale,	384
And yet euerye Sondaye they will surely spende	
One penye or two, the bearwardes lyuyng to mende.	388
At Paryse garden, eche Sundaye, a man shall not fayle	
To fynde two or thre hundredes for the bearwardes vaile.	392
One halpenye a piece they vse for to giue,	
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When some have no more in their purse, I believe."

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So too Arthur Golding, in his 'Discourse upon the Earthquake' on April 6, 1580: "The Saboth dayes and holy dayes, ordayned for the . . speciall occupying of our selves in all spirituall exercizes, is spent full heathenishly in taverning, tipling, gaming, playing, and beholding of Beare-baytings and Stage-playes, to the utter dyshonor of God, impeachment of all godlynesse, and unnecessarie consuming of mennes substances, which ought to be better employed." (From Collier's Stationers' Registers, ii. 118, and my Captain Cox, p. 68.)

The Dancing on Sunday had Queen Elizabeth's countenance. This is how Sunday, July 10, 1575, was spent at Kenilworth, during Leicester's entertainment of the Queen there:

"On Sunday: the forenoon occupied (az for the Sabot day) in quiet and vacation from woork, & in diuine seruis & preaching at the parish church: The afternoon in excelent muzik of sundry swet instruments, and in dauncing of Lordes and Ladies, and oother woorshipfull degrees, vttered with such liuely agilitee & commendabl grace, az, whither it moought be more straunge too the eye, or pleazunt too the minde, for my part indeed I coold not discern: but exceedingly well waz it (me thought) in both." P. 12 of my edition of Captain Cox, or Lancham's Letter, Ballad Soc. 1871.

Laneham's capital description of the bearbaiting at Kenilworth (ib. p. 16-17) is well known, but J. Hooker's lifting of part of it-"It waz a sport very plezaunt" to "a goodly releef"-bodily into his continuation of Holinshed's Chronicle, ed. 1587, vol. iii. p. 1582, col. I, I have not seen noted.

p. 137. Beare bayting on the Saboth day.

"What else but gaine and Money gote maintaines each Saboth day The bayting of the Beare and Bull? What brings this brutish play? What is the cause that it is borne,

and not controlled ought, Although the same of custome be on holy Saboth wrought? Now sure I thinke tys gaine or spite gainst good and godly lyfe." 1569, E. Hake. Newes out of Powles Churchyarde, sign. E. 6, back, ed. 1579.

The Sabbath day, says Kethe's Sermon at Blandford, 1570, "the multitude call their revelying day; which day is spent in bulbeatings, bearebeatings, bowlings, dicyng, cardyng, daunsynges, drunkennes and whoredome . . in so much as men could not keepe their servauntes from lyinge out of theyr owne houses the same sabbath-day at night." Hazlitt's Brand, i. 158, note 1. See p. 301 below.

p. 137. What comes of being at Church when you ought to be at Bear-baiting .-"Of saying seruice, quod I, this is much like as at Beuerlay late, whan much of the people beyng at a bere baytyng, the church fell sodeinly down at euensonge tyme, and ouer whelmed some that than were in it: a good felow, that after herde the tale tolde, 'lo quod he, now maie you see what it is to be at euensong whan ye should be at the bere baytynge.' How be it, the hurt was not ther in beinge at euensonge, but in that the churche was falsely wrought."-Sir T. More (died 1535), Works, p. 208, ed. 1557.-R. Roberts.

Compare Dr. M. Busch's Bismarck in the Franco-German War, 1870-1, i.

"And the 'keeping holy the Sabbath-day,' said the Chief [Bismarck], that

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is a perfectly horrible tyranny. I remember, when I first went to England, and landed in Hull, that I began to whistle in the street. An Englishman, whom I had got acquainted with on board, told me that I must not whistle. 'Pray, sir, do not whistle!' 'Why not; is whistling forbidden here?' 'No,' said he, 'it is not forbidden; but it is the Sabbath!' This so disgusted me that I at once took my ticket by another steamer going to Edinburgh, [out of the frying-pan into the fire, eh?] as I did not choose not to be able to whistle when I had a mind to."

p. 137. Bearbaiting, &c., on Sundays. - See the Act I Car. I [A.D. 1625], Ch. I. An Acte for punishing of divers abuses committed on the Lordes day called Sunday. "Forasmuch as . . the holy keeping of the Lordes day is a principall part of the true Service of God, which in very many places of this Realme hath beene and now is profaned and neglected by a disorderlie sort of people, in exercising and frequenting Bearebaiting, Bullbaiting, Enterludes, common Playes, and other unlawfull exercises and pastimes uppon the Lordes day; And for that many quarrelles, bloodsheddes and other great inconveniences have growen by the resort and concourse of people going out of their owne Parishes to such disordered and unlawfull exercises and pastimes, neglecting Divine service both in their own Parishes and elsewhere; Be it enacted . . that from and after fortie dayes next after the end of this Session of Parliament there shalbe no meetinges assemblies or concourse of people out of their owne Parishes on the Lordes day within this Realme of England, or any the Dominions thereof, for any sportes or pastimes whatsoever; nor any Bearebaiting, Bullbaiting, Enterludes, common Playes or other unlawfull exercises or pastimes used by any person or persons within their owne Parishes, and that every person and persons offending in any the premisses, shall forfeit for every offence three shillinges foure pence. The same to be employed and converted to the use of the poore of the Parish where such offence shall be committed , . ." (This Act was confirmd and continued by later ones.)

p. 137. Prophanation of the Saboth.

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About 1542, says Henry Brinklow, Complaynt of Roderick Mors, E. E. T. Soc., 1874, p. 62-3, after the Latin service, "the people depart the church as empty of all sprytual knowledge as thei came thether. And the rest of the day thei spend in all wanton and vnlawful gamys, as dyse, cardys, dalyeng with wemen, dansing, and such lyke." The fact that Sunday amusements were inheritances from Popery, no doubt made them doubly offensive to the Reformers and the Puritans.

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Recevyd of Alexandre lacye for his lycense for pryntinge of a ballett the abuse of y sabooth of the lorde &c/ . . . iiijd

Arber's Transcript of the Stationers Registers, i. 328.

(1578-9.) 28 Februarij.

Jhon hynde Lycenced vnto him vnder thandes of the wardens ij ballades.
thone Dialogewise betwene William Wax-wise and Walter
Wold-be-wanton concerning thabuse of the Sabothe Daye. thother
the lamentacon of a synner troubled in consequence. viijd

(Ib. ii. 348.)

"For further proof whereof, I call to witnesse the Theaters [Burbage's], Curtines [in Shoreditch] Heauing 1 houses, Rifling boothes, Bowling alleyes, and such places, where the time is so shamefully mispent, namely [= specially] the Sabaoth daies, vnto the great dishonor of God, and the corruption and vtter distruction of youth." 1579.—T. F., Newes from the North, ed. 1585, sign. F 4, quoted in my Thynne's Animadversions, E. E. T. Soc., 1875, p. cxxxv. (Mr. Collier absurdly attributed the Newes to Francis Thynne.)

God worst "And trust me, I am of that opinion, that the Lord is neuer so il substitution of the Sabboth daies served as on the holie-daies. For then hel breakes loose. Then wee permit our youth to have their swinge; and when they are out of the sight of their maisters, such government have they of themselves, that what by il companie they meete withal, & il examples they learne at plaies, I feare me, I feare me, their harts are more alienated in two houres from virtue, than againe maie wel be amended in a whole yeare." 1580.—A sacond and third blast of retrait from plaies and Theaters (ed. Hazlitt, 1869), p. 135.

Fairs. Harrison, in Part II. p. 101, complains that the "paltrie fairs. tendeth to the corruption of youth.. whereby they often spend, not onelie the weeke daies, but also the Lords sabbaoth in great vanitie and riot." See too the notes on p. 152, &c., that follow below.

Fairs & Markets on Sundays. Compare the then expired Act, 22 Hen. VI. cap. 5 (englisht). "Considering the abominable Injuries and Offences done to Almighty God, and to his Saints, always Aiders and singular Assisters in our Necessities, because of Fairs and Markets upon their high and principal Feasts, as in the Feast of the Ascension of our Lord . . . in the Day of Whitsunday, in Trinity Sunday, with other Sundays . . and on Good Friday accustomably and miserably holden and used in the Realm of England; in which principal and festival Days, for great earthly Covetise, the People is wilfully more vexed, and in bodily Labour toiled, than in other ferial Days, as in fastening and making their Booths and Stalls, bearing and carrying, lifting and placing their Wares outward and homeward, as though they did nothing remember the horrible Defiling of their Souls in buying and selling, with many deceitful Lyes, and false Perjury, with Drunkenness and Strifes, and so specially withdrawing themselves and their Servants from divine Service: the . . King . . hath ordained That all Manner of Fairs and Markets in the said principal Feasts and Sundays, and Good-Friday, shall clearly cease from all shewing of any Goods or Merchandises, necessary Victual only except, upon Pain of Forfeiture of all the Goods aforesaid . . the Four Sundays in Harvest except . . ."

Sabbath Doings. See in 1579, T. F.'s Newes from the North. Cap. 14... "For I have partely shewed you heer, what leave and libertie the common people, namely 2 youth, have to follow their own lust and desire in all wantonnes and dessolution of life. For further proof wherof, I call to witnesse the Theaters,

Robbing: "to heue a bough, to robbe or rifle a boeweth [booth]." 1567.—
 Harman, Caucat: Rogues, their pelting Speche: p. 84, E. E. T. Soc., 1869.
 specially.

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Curtines¹, Heauing houses, Rifling boothes, Bowling alleyes, and such places, where the time is so shamefuly mispent, namely² the Sabaoth daies, vnto the great dishonor of God, and the corruption and vtter distruction of youth" (ed. 1585, sign. F. 4). With other extracts, in my edition of F. Thynne's Animadversions, p. cxxxv.

"But what is he that may not on the Sabbath-day attend to hear God's word, But he will rather run to bowls, sit at the alehouse, than one hour afford, Telling a tale of Robin Hood, sitting at cards, playing at skittles, or some other vain thing,

That I fear God's vengeauce on our heads it will bring."

1584. The Three Ladies of London. Hazlitt's Dodsley's Old Plays, vi. 28.

p. 139, l. 13. it chaunced that a certaine Jewe.—" In this yere [43 Hen. III.] fell that happe of the Jewe of Tewkysbury, whiche fell into a gonge vppon the Saterdaye, and wolde not for reuerence of his sabbot day be plucked out; wherof heryng the Erle of Glouceter, that the Jewe dyd so great reuerence to hys sabbot daye, thought he wolde do as myche to his holydaye, whych was Sondaye, and so kept hym there tyll Monday, at which season he was found dede."

—Fabyan. Quoted in Prompt. Parv., s. v. Goonge. According to Munster (Cosmography, bk. III. p. 738, ed. 1550) this happened in Germany in 1270. Respect for the Sabbath made the Jews reject their unfortunate brother's entreaties to be released. Munster says that it was Conrad, bishop of Magdeburg, earl of Sternenberg, "Judzeis multum fuit infestus," who indulged in this vile jest, which the Jew seems to have survived.—S.

p. 141, l. 7 from foot. Theopompus mingled Moyses law with his writinges.—He [Demetrius Phalereus] told him [Ptolemy Philadelphus] that "Theopompus was desirous of writing somewhat about them [the Jewish laws], but was thereupon disturbed in his mind for above thirty days' time; and upon some intermission of his distemper, he appeased God [by prayer] as suspecting that his madness proceeded from that cause. Nay, indeed, he further saw a dream, that his distemper befel him while he indulged too great a curiosity about divine matters, and was desirous of publishing them among common men; but when he left off that attempt, he recovered his understanding again. Moreover he informed him of Theodectes, the tragic poet, concerning whom it was reported, that when, in a certain dramatic representation, he was desirous to make mention of things that were contained in the sacred books, he was afflicted with a darkness in his eyes; and that upon his being conscious of the occasion of his distemper, and appeasing God [by prayer], he was freed from that affliction."—Whiston's Josephus, Antiq. XII. ii. § 13, vol. ii. p. 148, ed. 1818.—S.

¹ See note for p. 144 on p. 304 below.

² specially.

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PLAYHOUSES, THEATRES, AND ACTORS, &c.

p. 140, &c. Stage-Plays, Bearbaiting, &c., on Sundays.

"The Sabboth days and holy days ordained for the hearing of God's word to the reformation of our lives, for the administration and receiving of the Sacraments to our comfort, for the seeking of all things behooveful for body or soul at God's hand by Prayer, for the minding of his benefits, and to yield praise and thanks unto him for the same, and finally, for the special occupying of ourselves in all spiritual exercises, is spent full heathenishly, in taverning, tippling, gaming, playing and beholding of Bear-baiting and Stage plays to the utter dishonour of God, impeachment of all godliness, and unnecessary consuming of men's substances which ought to be better employed."—Liturgical Services, time of Queen Elizabeth, p. 574, Parker Soc.

p. 144. Theaters & curtens. James Burbage's "Theatre" in Finsbury Fields, near Bishopsgate St.,—built ab. 1577, and said to have been the first regular theatre built (but see Harrison, I, Appendix I to Forewords, p. liv),—and the Curtain, built before 1579, in or near the present Curtain Road close by.

p. 140-6. Here are a few extracts from a rare tract in the Lambeth Library, made before Mr. Hazlitt reprinted it in his Roxburghe Library (1869), English Drama and Stage, 1543-1664.

"A second and third blast \(\) of retrait from plaies \(\) and Theatres: \(\) the one whereof was sounded by a re-\(\) uerend Byshop dead long since \(\); \(\) the other by a worshipful and \(\) zealous Gentleman \(\) now alive: \(\) One showing the filthiness of plaies in \(\) times past; \(\) the other the abhomination of \(\) Theaters in the time present: \(\) both expresly proving that the Common-weale is \(\) nigh vnto the curse of God; where-\(\) in either plaiers be made of, \(\) or \(\) Theaters main-\(\) tained. \(\) Set forth by Anglophile Eutheo. \(\) Ephes. \(\) 5, verse 15, 16. \(\) Take heede therefore that ye walke circumspectlie, not \(\) as vnwise, but as wise, redeeming the time, \(\) because the daies are evil. \(\) Allowed by auctoritie \(\) 1580

"Evils of travelling players.—Since the reteining of these Caterpillers [Players], the credite of Noble men hath decaied, & they are thought to be couetously permitting their seruants, which cannot liue of themselues, and whome, for neerenes they wil not maintaine, to liue at the deuotion or almes of other men, passing from countrie to countrie, from one Gentlemans house to another, offering their seruice, which is a kind of beggerie. Who in deede, to speake more trulie, are become beggers for their seruants. For commonlie the goodwil men beare to their Lordes, makes them drawe the stringes of their purses to extend their liberalitie to them, where otherwise they would not.

"By such infamous persons much time is lost; and manie daies of honest trauel are turned into vaine exercises. Wherein is learned nothing but abuse; poore men

³ county to county.

Gosson's Schoole of Abuse was the first.

³ Salviano, Bp. of Massilia, ab. 470. De Gubernatione Dei, bk. vi.

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liuing on their handie labor, are by them trained vnto vnthriftines; schoolers, by their gaudes are allured from their studies.

"Thus the people are robbed; youth corrupted; the Sabboth prophaned: and of all these euils, who are counted the vpholders, but the Noble, who of right Traiane the should establish the lawe of the Roman Traiane, who commanded that no plaier, iester, nor iugler, should be admitted in his Commonweale to pick the purses of his subjects, but that they should either learne some occupation to mainteine themselues in their owne houses, or otherwise be banished out of Rome. But now, such like men, vnder the title of their maisters, or as reteiners, are priuiledged to roaue abroad, and permitted to publish their mametree in eueric Temple of God, and that throughout England, with plaises. who the horrible contempt of praier. So that now the Sanctuarie is become a plaiers stage, and a den of theeues and adulterers." p. 75-8. A second and third blast of retrait from plaies and Theaters, 1580.

"Whosoeuer shal visit the chappel of Satan, I meane the Theater, shal finde Theaters the there no want of yong ruffins, nor lacke of harlots, viterlie past al chappels of shame: who presse to the fore-frunt of the scaffoldes, to the end to showe their impudencie, and to be as an object to al mens eies. Yea, such is their open shameles behauior, as euerie man may perceaue by their wanton gestures, wherevnto they are giuen; yea, they seeme there to be like brothels of The open the stewes. For often, without respect of the place, and company which woickednes behold them, they commit that filthines openlie, which is horrible to at places. be done in secret; as if whatsoeuer they did, were warranted. For neither reuerence, iustice, nor anie thing beside, can gouerne them " (ed. Hazlitt, p. 139).

Against (p. 110.) "As I have had a saieng to these versi-fieng Plaie-makers, training up to foice to foice to plaie." When I see by plaies. them yong boies, inclining of themselves vnto wickednes, trained up in filthie speeches, vnnatural and vnseemlie gestures, to be brought up by (p. 111) these Schoolemasters in bawderie, and in idlenes, I cannot chuse, but with teares and griefe of hart lament.

"O with what delight can the father behold his sonne bereft of shamefastnes,

Plaiers the schoolemaisters of sin in the schoole of shouse.

& trained vp to impudencie! How proane are they of themselues, and apt to receive instruction of their lewde teachers, which are the Schoole of abuse! what do they teach them, I praie you, but to foster mischiefe in their youth, that it maie alwaies abide in them, and in their age bring them sooner vnto hel?

"And as for those stagers themselves, are they not commonlie such kind of men in their conversation, as they are in profession? Are they not as of plaiers of plaiers ariable in hart, as they are in their partes? are they (p. 112) not fart.

good practisers of Bawderie as inactors? Live they not in such sort

¹ maumetrie, idolatry.
² Cp. the ironical Actors Remonstrance in 1643: "we shall for the future promise never to admit into our six-penny-roomes those unwholesome inticing Harlots that sit there meerely to be taken up by Prentizes or Lawyers Clerks, nor any female of what degree soever, except they come lawfully with their husbands or neere allies." (Hazlitt, ib. p. 65.)

themselues, as they give precepts vnto others? doth not their talke on the stage declare the nature of their disposition? doth not euerie one take that not better be compared than to the part which is proper to his kind? doth not the Ploughmans tong walke of his plough; the Sea-faring man of his mast, cable, and saile: the Soldier of his harnes, speare, and shield; & bawdie mates of bawdie matters? Aske them, if in their laieng out of their partes, they choose not those partes which is most agreeing to their inclination, and that they can best discharge? And looke what euerie of them doth most delight in, that he can best handle to the contentment of others. If it be a roisting, bawdie, and lasciuious part, wherein are vnseemelie (p. 113) speeches, & that they make choise of them as best answering, & proper to their manner of plaie: maie we not saie, by how much he exceedes in his gesture, he delightes himselfe in his part? & by so much it is pleasing to his disposition and nature? If (it be his nature) to be a bawdie plaier, & he delight in such filthie & cursed actions, shal we not thinke him in his life to be more disordered, and to abhor virtue?

"If the good life of a man be a better instruction to repentance than the tong, or words, why do not plaiers, I beseech you, leaue examples of goodues to their posteritie? But which of them is so zealous, or so tendereth his owne saluation that he doth amend himselfe in those pointes, which, as they saie, others should take heede of? Are they not notoriouslie known to be those men in their life abroade, as they are on the stage, roisters, brallers, il-dealers, bosters, louers, loiterers, ruffins? So that they are alwaies exercised in plaieng their parts, and practising wickednes; making that an art, to the end they might the better gesture it in their partes. For who can better plaie the ruffin than a verie ruffian? who better the louer, than they who make it a common exercise? To conclude, the of plaies. Plaiers injanous sights & fond pastimes; to wriggle in good earnest the monie out of other mens purses into their owne hands. What shall I saie? They are infamous men." (End of the Blast extracts.)

"Those also have offended in wantonnesse, that give themselves libertie to be present at, and see, such things as bee practises of wantonnesse, as stage-playes, which serve for nothing but to nourish filthinesse; and where they are most vsed, there filthinesse is most practised; where the man is cloathed with womans apparell; and that ordinarily is put in vse, which the Lord condemneth as an hainous abomination. Deut. (22. 5.) This is a way to breede confusion of sexes, and it is a plaine belying of the sexe." 1615. [R. Cleaver] Exposition of the Ten Commandments, p. 299.

On the 'light-taylde huswiues' at the Globe in 1600, see John Lane in my Tell-Troth volume, 1876, p. 133, and the note on p. 199; also Harrison, Pt. I. p. lxxix, lxxx.

"as enterlude-plaiers, you shal now see them on the stage, play a King, an Emperor, or a Duke; but they are no sooner off the stage, but they are base rascals, vagabond abjects, and porterly hirelings, which is their naturall and originall condition." 1603.—J. Florio, *Montaignes Essayes* (French, 1580), ed. 1634, p. 140.

"Players shal haue libertie to be as famous in pride and idlenes, as they are dissolute in liuing, and as best in their marriages for communitie, as vnhappie in

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their choyces for honesty." 1606.—Anthony Nixon, The Black Yeare, C 3. "There shall be also as much strife among Players, who shall have the greatest Auditory, as is warre among the foure knaues at Cardes, for superioritie." Th. B 2, back.

p. 144, at foot.—Gosson has an amusing passage in his Schoole of Abuse, 1579 (old Shakesp. Soc., 1841, p. 25), on men's behaviour to girls at the theatre or play-house, and their making it a place for picking one another up on Sundays:

"In our assemblies at playes in London, you shall see suche heaving and shooving, suche ytching and shouldering, to sytte by women; suche care for their garments that they be not trode on; suche eyes to their lappes, that no chippes lighte in them; such pillowes to their backes, that they take no hurte: suche masking in their eares, I know not what; suche geving them pippins 1 to passe the time; such playing at foote saunt without cardes; such ticking, such toying, such smiling, such winking, and such manning them home when the sportes are ended, that it is a right comedie to marke their behaviour, to watch their conceates, as the catte for the mouse, and as good as a course at the game it selfe, to dogge them a little, or follow aloofe by the printe of their feete, and so discover by slotte where the deare taketh soyle.

"If this were as well noted as il seene, or as openly punished as secretely practised, I have no doubt but the cause woulde be seared, to drye up the effect, and these prettie rabbets verye cunninglie ferretted from their borrowes. For they that lacke customers all the weeke, either because their haunt is unknowen, or the constables and officers of their parish watch them so narrowly that they dare not queatche, to celebrate the Sabboth, flocke too theaters, and there keepe a generall market of bawdrie. Not that any filthinesse, in deede, is committed within the compasse of that ground, as was once done in Rome, but that every wanton and [his] paramour, everye man and his mistresse, every John and his Joane, every knave and his queane, are there first acquainted, and cheapen the marchandise in that place, which they pay for else where, as they can agree. These wormes, when they dare not nestle in the pescod at home, find refuge abrode, and ar hidde in the eares of other mens corne."

p. 144-5. playhouse. —See chapter vi. of Dekker's Guls Hornbook, 1609, "How a Gallant should behave himself in a Playhouse."

LORDS OF MISRULE, MAY-GAMES, CHURCH-ALES, &c.

p. 146. Lords of Misrule.—See Brand's Popular Antiquities, ed. Ellis, 1841,
 1. 272-8 (Stubbs is the chief authority), and ed. Hazlitt, 1870, i. 272-281: the latter has several valuable fresh extracts.

p. 147. Lords of Misrule in the Churchyard,

"Whether the minister and churchwardens have suffered any lords of misrule or summer lords or ladies, or any disguised persons, or others, in Christmas or

¹ See the extract from Gosson's *Playes confuted* (ab. 1580) in *Harrison*, Pt. I. p. lxxx: 'they give them pippines; they dally with their garments,' &c.

at May-games, or any morris-dancers, or at any other times, to come unreverently into the church or churchyard, and there to dance or play any unseemly parts, with scoffs, jests, wanton gestures or ribald talk, namely [= specially] in the time of Common Prayer. . . ."—1576. Arch-Bishop Grindal, Articles for the Province of Canterbury, Remains, p. 175, Parker Soc. 1843.

"... that their churches and chapels be kept clean and decently, that they be not loathsome to any, either by dust, sand, gravel, or any filth; and that there be no feasts, dinners, or common drinking kept in the Church; and that the Church-yard be well fenced, and cleanly kept, and that no folks be suffered to dance in the same."—1571-2. Bishop Grindal, Injunctions at York for the Laity, Remains, 1843, p. 135.

p. 148-9. Maie games. See the latter part of the extract from Northbrooke, in the note for p. 155, below, p. 314. Compare Herrick's kindlier account:

"Come, my Corinna, come; and comming, marke How each field turns a street; each street a parke Made green, and trimm'd with trees: see how Devotion gives each house a bough, Or branch: each porch, each doore, ere this, An arke, a tabernacle is Made up of white-thorn neatly enterwove: As if here were those cooler shades of love. Can such delights be in the street, And open fields, and we not see't? Come, we'll abroad; and let's obay The proclamation made for May: And sin no more, as we have done, by staying; But, my Corinna, come, let's goe a Maying. There's not a budding boy, or girle, this day, But is got up, and gone to bring in May. A deale of youth, ere this, is come Back, and with White-thorn laden home. Some have dispatcht their cakes and creame. Before that we have left to dreame: And some have wept, and woo'd, and plighted troth, And chose their priest, ere we can cast off sloth: Many a green-gown has been given; Many a kisse, both odde and even: Many a glance too has been sent From out the eye, love's firmament: Many a jest told of the keyes betraying This night, and locks pickt, yet w'are not a Maying." Herrick's Hesperides (1869), p. 70.

I remember getting up before sunrise, forty years ago, on the First of May and eight succeeding mornings, and washing my face in dew to take away freckles, for which washing in May-dew nine mornings together was said to be a cure.—R. Roberts.

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p. 149. Maygames. Stafford, in 1581, says that these, and wakes, revels, wagers at wrestling, &c., had been 'layde downe now', p. 16 of my N. Sh. Soc. edition. He can have meant only 'partly disused.'

"Littlewit. He was a baker, sir, but he does dream now, and see visions; he has given over his trade.

Quarlous. I remember that too: out of a scruple he took that, in spiced conscience, those cakes he made, were served to bridales, maypoles, morrices, and such profane feasts and meetings. His christian name is Zeal-of-the-land." 1614.—Ben Jonson, Bartholomew Fair, I. i.; Works, ed. Cunningham, ii. 152, col. i.

"Well, syr, after theez horsmen, a liuely morisdauns, according too the auncient manner, six daunserz, Mawdmarion, and the fool." 1575.—Laneham's Letter, p. 22 of my edition.

p. 150. Church-Ales, or Whitsun-Ales.—See Brand's Pop. Antig. i. 157-161, ed. Ellis, 1841, and ed. Hazlitt, 1870, i. 156-172. 'For Scot-Ales, Give-Ales, Sect-Ales, Bride-Ales, Clerk-Ales, &c., see Archaelogia, xii. 11-17.'

Church-Ales on Sundays: 'by an order made in July, 1595, at a Sessions held in the Chapter House . . It is declared that all "Church or parish ales, revels, May-games, plays, and such other unlawful assemblies of the people of sundry parishes unto one parish on the Sabbath day and other times, is a special cause that many disorders, contempts of law, and other enormities are there perpetrated and committed, to the great profanation of the Lord's 'Saboth,' the dishonour of Almighty God, increase of bastardy, and of dissolute life, and of very many other mischies and inconveniences, to the great hurt of the commonwealth." It is therefore ordered that these assemblies shall be abolished on the Sabbath; that there shall be no drink "used, kept or uttered" upon the Sabbath, at any time of the day, nor upon any holiday or festival in the time of divine service or preaching of the Word; nor at any time in the night season; nor yet that there shall be "any Mynstralsy of any sort, Dauncying, or suche wanton Dallyances," used at the said May-games,' &c. 'In January 1599, the justices took a long step further, and having discovered that many inconveniences "which with modestie cannot be expressed," had happened in consequence of these gatherings, they ordered that parish ales, church ales, and revels should thenceforth be utterly suppressed. A market which had been held on the "Saboth" at East Budleigh, was also abolished.' 1878 .- A. H. A. Hamilton, Quarter Sessions from Q. Elizabeth to Q. Anne, p. 28-9.

And under James I 'An order of Easter 1607 declares that church ales, parish ales, young men's ales, clerks' ales, sextons' ales, and all revels, are to be utterly suppressed. Yet we find as late as 1622 that the war against them was still being carried on.' 1b. p. 73.

"An other sorte of blynde shauelings.. preache muche holynes and Gods seruice to stande in their holy oyle / holy creame / holy water / holy asshes / hal-

¹ See Gifford's Ben Jonson, Vol. i, pp. 50, 51, 52, and Chappell's Popular Music, pp. 130-135.—W. C.

lowed bedes / mumblynge of a numbre of psalmes in Laten / keepinge of church ales, in the whiche, with leappynge / daunsynge / and kyssyng / they maynteyne the profett of their churche (to the honoure of God, as they both saye and thyncke)."

1544.—A Supplicacion to . . Kynge Henry the Eyght. E. E. T. Soc. 1871, p. 41.

p. 150. Ale sold in Churches, &c.

"Item, whether upon the holy-days there be kept in the Church or Churchyard any market, buying or selling, with such doings as becometh neither the day nor the place." ? Ab. 1550.—Bishop Hooper, Injunctions (?) in his Later Writings (Parker Soc.), p. 142.

"Item, that the churchwardens do not permit any buying, selling, gaming, outrageous noises, tumult, or any other idle occupying of youth, in the church, church-porch or church-yard, during the time of common prayer, sermon, or reading of the homily." ? Ab. 1550.—Bishop Hooper, Later Writings (Parker Soc.), p. 129.

"Ye shall not keep, or suffer to be kept, in your parsonage or vicarage houses, any alehouses, tippling-houses, or taverns, nor shall sell ale, beer or wine." . . . 1571-2.—Bishop Grindal, *Injunctions at York for the Clergy*, p. 130, Parker Society.

"The Churchwardens shall not suffer any pedler, or others whatsoever, to set out any wares to sale, either in the porches of churches or in the church-yards, nor any where else on holy days or Sundays, while any part of divine service is in doing, or while any sermon is in preaching." 1571-2.—Bishop Grindal, Injunctions at York for the Laity, Remains, p. 138, Parker Society.

p. 150, l. 19. Hufcap.—See Harrison, I. 295: "there is such headie ale & beere in most of them [markets], as for the mightinesse thereof, among such as seeke it out, is commonlie called hufficap, the mad dog, father whoresonne, angels food, dragons milke, [go by the wall, stride wide, and lift leg, (1587)] &c. . . It is incredible to saie how our maltbugs lug at this liquor, euen as pigs should lie in a row, lugging at their dames teats, till they lie still againe, and be not able to wag."

I thought at first that the huftie-tuftic of Snuffe, the Clown of the Curtain in 1600, was this Huf-cap: but the extract below, from T. Nash, in his Haue with you to Saffron Walden, sign. L 4, shows that Snuffe used the word for an exclamation, "jolly," or the like. "Who's the Foole now?" asks Snuffe, and answers, his drunken friend who got robbd on his way to the Curtain theatre in Shoreditch:

"My friend was pleasant, drinking all the day,
With huftie-tuftie, let vs all be merrie,
Forgetting how the time did passe away:
Such is mans folly, making himself wearie.
But now attend, and I will tell the rest,
How my friends follie he could scarce disgest.

When he was beaten with a Brewers washing bittle Or had in deed almost quite burst his thombe, Or had behelde the Diuell, where he did tipple,

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Or (the old word) was drunke, marke what did come. Thus it fell out, as he him selfe did say, He to the Curtaine went, to see a Play.

His friendes went with him, and as wise as hee, Yet wiser as it chaunst, for he went reeling; A tottering world it was, God wott, to see My friend disguisde thus without sense or feeling. Here a fell downe, and vp againe, God wott, Backward and forward staggring like a sott.

A soberer man than he, or girle or boy,

I know not who—for he him selfe not knowes—

Begins to looke into this goodly toy,

And, to teach him wit, this deede at pleasure showes:

Into his pocket diues, and being alone,

Pursse, hat, cloake, from my drunken friend was gone."

1600.—Quips upon Questions, sign. B 4, back, and C 1.

huffty tuffty, adv. bravely, finely.

"I have a tale at my tungs end if I can happen vpon it, of his hobby horse revelling & dominering at Audley-end, when the Queene was there: to which place Gabriell [Harvey] (to doo his countrey more worship & glory) came ruffling it out huffly tuffly in his suite of veluet." 1596.—T. Nashe, Have with you to Saffron-walden, sign. L 4, back.

(I've unluckily mislaid my other extracts on the names for being drunk.)

p. 150. Church-ales. "There were no rates for the poor in my grand-father's days!; but for Kington St. Michael (no small parish) the church-ale at Whitsuntide did the business. In every parish is (or was) a church-house, to which belonged spits, crocks &c., utensils for dressing provision. Here the house-keepers met, and were merry, and gave their charity. The young people were there too, and had dancing, bowling, shooting at butts &c., the ancients sitting gravely by and looking on. All things were civil and without scandal. This church-ale is doubtless derived from the $d\gamma d\pi a\iota$, or love-feast, mentioned in the New Testament."—Aubrey's Introduction to the Survey of Wiltshire, in his Miscellanies (Library of Old Authors), pp. 216-17.—S.

p. 150. Church-Ales & Dancing. Compare the Bride-Ales:

"Early in the morning the wedding people begynne to exceade in superfluous eating & drinkyng | wherof they spytte vntill the halfe sermon be done. And whan they come to the preaching | they are halfe dronke | some alltogether | therefore regard they nether the preaching ner prayer | but stonde ther onely because of the custome. Such folkes also do come vnto the Church with all maner of pompe and pryde | & gorgiousnesse of rayment and Iewels. They come with a greate noyse of basens & drommes | wher-with they trouble the

¹ Say about 1600. Aubrey was born in 1626, and died about 1697.

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whole church | & hindre them in matters pertayninge to god. They come in to the lordes house | as it were into an house of merchaundise | to lay forth theyr wares & offre to sell themselues vnto vyce and wickednesse. And euen as they come to the Church | so go they from the Church agayne | lyght | nyce | in shamefull pompe and vayne wantonesse." (Fol. 50.) Fol. lvi, ed. 1552.

"After the bancket and feast | there begynneth a vayne | madd | and vnmanerly fashiom. For the bryde must be brought in to an open dauncing place.
Then is there such a renninge | leapinge | and flynging amonge them | then is
there such a lyftinge vp and discoueringe of the damesels clothes and of other
wemens apparell | that a man might thinke | all these dauncers had cast all
shame behinde them | and were become starke madde, and out of theyr wyttes |
and that they were sworne to the deuels daunce. Then must the poore bryd
kepe foote with all dauncers | & refuse none | how scabbed | foule | dronckem |
rude and shameles soeuer he be. Then must she oft tymes heare and se much
wickednesse | & many an vncomely word. And that noyse and rombling
endureth euen tyll supper.

"As for supper, looke how much shameles and dronken the evening is more then the morning, so much the more vice, exces, and misnurture is vsed at the supper. After supper, must they begin to pype and daunce again of anew. And though the young persons (being weary of the bablyng noyse and inconvenience) come once towards their rest, yet can they have no quietness. For a man shall find vnmanerly and restles people that wyll first go to their chamber doore, and there syng vicious and naughty balates, that the devil may have his whole triumphe now to the vttermost." 1541.—Miles Coverdale, *The Christian State of Matrimonye*, fol. 51 (sign. H i, Fol. lvii, ed. 1552).

"fye vpont, what a miserable thing tis to be a noble Bride! there's such delayes in rising, in fitting gownes, in tyring, in pinning Rebatoes, in poaking, in dinner, in supper, in Reuels, & last of all in cursing the poore nodding fidlers for keeping Mistris Bride so long vp from sweeter Reuels,—that, oh I could neuer endure to put it vp without much bickering." 1602.—T. Dekker, Satiromastix. Works, 1873, i. 186.

"As for matrimony, that hath also corruptions too many Other petty things out of the book we speak not of, as that women, contrary to the accidental rule of the Apostle, come, and are suffered to come, bareheaded, with bagpipes and fiddlers before them, to disturb the congregation; and they must come in at the great door of the church, else all is marred." 1570-1600.—Archbp. Whitgift, Works, vol. iii. p. 353, Parker Soc.

p. 152. Wakes and Feasts.—See Brand's Popular Antiquities, ii. 1-10, ed. Ellis, 1841, and ii. 1-10, iii. 7-8, ed. Hazlitt, 1870.

"Wakes: a very old English custom. The 35th of Elfric's Canons is: "ye ought not to make merry over dead men, nor to hunt after a corpse, unless ye be invited to it. When ye are invited, forbid the heathenish songs of laymen, and thear loud cackling, and do not eat & drink over the body in their heathenish manner." (Quoted from Wilkins's Concilia, Vol. i, p. 255, by Chappell, in his Introduction to Old English Ditties, p. 81.)

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The above are the real Irish wakes, not those on the eve of Saints' Days when the people danced in the churches or church-yards through the night.—W. C.

p. 152. wakes, &c. See The Chetham Miscellanies, Vol. V. Ed. F. R. Raines (Chetham Society). The Athenaum Review, August 12, 1876, says: "The first article in the collection is a Report on 'The State, Civil and Ecclesiastical, of the county of Lancaster,' made by certain of the clergy about 1590.1 The authors of the Report were for the most part men of Puritan leanings, but there is nothing particularly strange or grotesque in the complaints they make. We know from many other sources that the rough-and-ready manner in which the Reformed doctrines and discipline had been planted in the county palatine of Lancaster had cruelly wounded the feelings of many, and that the first result of a change so violent was an alarming amount of godlessness. Almost every clause of this old paper shows that the bonds of authority had become terribly relaxed, and that there was no strong public opinion on the side of moral order to keep loose persons in check. Not only do we find that the mediæval custom of holding fairs and markets on Sunday was still usually retained, and that 'wackes, ales, greenes, maigames, rushbearinges, bearebaites, doveales, bonfires, [and] all maner vnlawful gaming, pipeinge, and daunsing, and such like, ar in all places freely exercised vppon ye Sabboth,' but that the persons who professed to conform to the worship of the English Church frequently did so in such a manner as to show their contempt for her ritual, some walking about and talking, others laughing during prayers,* while the more devout evinced their adherence to the

^{1 &}quot;The manifolde Enormities of the Ecclesiasticall state in the most partes of the Countie of Lancaster; and many of them in som partes also of Cheshire I about the year 1500]....

[[]about the year 1590]

"V. Faires and Marketes in most Townes ar vsually kepte vppon the Sabboth: by occasion whereof divine Service in the Forenoone is greatly neplected.

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"VI. Wackes, Ales, Greenes, Maigames, Rushbearinges, Bearebaites, Doveales, Bonfiers, all maner vnlawfull Gaming, Pipinge and Daunsinge, and suche like, ar in all places frely exercised vppon ye Sabboth."

in his Popish day: he died in 1535. Works (1557), p. 1359. 'Out of al, most true is ye old said saw, that the outward behauior & continaunce is a plain expresse mirror or ymage of ye minde, in asmuche as by ye eyes, by ye chekes, by ye eye liddes, by ye browes, by ye handes, by ye fete, & finally by ye gesture of ye whole body, right well appereth, how madly & fondly ye minde is set & disposed. For as we litle passe how smal deuocion of hart we come to pray withal, so dooe we litle passe also howe vndeuoutli we go forward therin. And albeit we wold haue it seme, y' on ye holye daies we go more gorgeously apparelled then at other times onely for ye honor of god, yet ye negligent fashion ye we se, a greate mainy of vs, in ye time of our praier, doth sufficiently declare, (be we neuer so lothe to haue it so knowen & apparaunte to the world) ye we do it altogether of a peuysh worldly pride. So carelessly do we euen in ye church somewhiles solemnely iet to & fro, & other whiles faire & softly sette vs down again. And if it hap vs to kneele, then either do we knele vpon ye tone knee, & lene vpon ye tother, or els will wee haue a cushion layd vnder them both, yea & sometime, namely if we be any thyng nyce & fine) we cal for a cushion to beare vp our elbowes to, & so, like an olde rotten ruynouse house, be we fain therwith to bee staide & vnderpropped. And then further do we euery way discouer,

suppressed religion by crossing themselves, beating their breasts, and telling their beads in secret. At the time when service was going on, it was common for the unreclaimed people who remained without, to assemble in the churchyard or the streets hard by, and to amuse themselves with clamorous shouting and throwing stones upon 'the leades of the churche.'

"The ancient burial customs seem to have been retained almost without alteration, as far as the change of circumstances would permit. When the body was laid out preparatory to burial, it was surrounded, by night and by day, with burning candles, the church bells were rung to warn the neighbours to pray for the soul of the departed, and all the neighbours who visited the corpse were wont to say a Pater Noster or a De Profundis. The wayside crosses, which have now nearly all been swept away either by the reforming zeal of our predecessors or the carelessness of more modern times, seem then to have been common; for these Lancashire clergy tell us that at funerals 'they carie the corse towardse the churche all garnished with crosses, which they sett downe by the way at everie crosse, and there all of them devowtly, on theire knees, make prayers for the dead.'

"This custom of affixing small crosses to the bier or the pall lingered long. We have heard of it being followed late in the last century. 'The Obsequy of faire Phillida,' a ballad in the Roxburghe collection (Ballad Soc. ix. 345), is adorned with a woodcut of a funeral, which, from the dresses of the bearers and grave-digger, cannot be much older than 1640. There we find the coffin or bier, (it is not easy to say which it is), covered with a tight-fitting pall, on which are fastened in an irregular manner seventeen small crosses in circles.

"The intense dislike of the Roman Catholic population for the English burial service is shown by the fact that when the body was brought to the churchyard, they were accustomed to 'overtreate the minister to omitt the service,' and bury the body themselves without religious rites. If, however, the clergyman insisted upon performing his duty, the friends were in the habit of going away, as they refused absolutely to join in or be present at the service.

"Secret marriages and baptisms are complained of, though the memorialists do not seem to have felt the evil of them so bitterly as they did many other things of less consequence. To us, for whom all these things are but matters of history, these unregistered marriages and baptisms are of far more import than the ceremonial which gave so much pain to the compilers of the Memorial. It is well known that throughout the whole of the north of England in the sixteenth and

1 The next page was set by the compositor in mistake, but is let stand.

how far wide our mind is wandring from god. We clawe our head, we pare oure nailes, we picke our nose, & say therwhiles one thing for an other, sith what is said or what is vnsaid both hauing cleane forgotten, we be fain at al aduentures to ayme what we haue more to say. Bee we not ashamed thus madly demeaning our selfes both secretly in our hert, & also in our doings openly in such wise to sew for soucor vnto god, being in so gret danger as we be, & in such wise to pray for pardon of so many horrible offences, & ouer yt in suche wise to desire him to preserue vs from parpetuall damnacion? so yt this one offence so vnreuerently to approch to ye high maiesty of God, al had we neuer offended him before, wer yet alone wel worthy to bee punished."—R. Roberts.

seventeenth centuries the more devout among the Roman Catholics were wont to have these rites performed by their own priests. One consequence is that now they are, in many cases, entirely incapable of proof. The Bodleian list of Yorkshire Roman Catholics in 1604 furnishes numerous examples of these secret marriages, and is in some instances the only evidence we have that such marriages were ever contracted. They usually took place far from home, before a few chosen and faithful witnesses only. Here is an instance, notable as relating to one of the higher gentry of the county of York :- Secret mariage. Richard Cholmley, Esquier, maryed with Mary Hungate, in the presence of John Wilson, William Martin, Hugh Hope, and Christopher Danyell, in a fell with a Popish priest.' The lady and her lover dare not be wedded at home, for fear of spies; so they met by appointment at some wild place on the moorlands, where a priest, at the risk of his life, was found ready to perform the marriage rite. . . .

"In the volume are the letters of Randal Holme and Leonard Smethley, the deputy heralds who acted in Lancashire and Cheshire in the reign of James the First. . .

"Both master and man were constantly in trouble with the gentry in their dominions on the subject of fees. When the Herald's College was incorporated, it took upon itself not only the regulation of arms, but also the ordering of those sumptuous funerals in which the bad taste of our forefathers delighted. If a great man died, the body was sometimes kept lying in state for weeks. More frequently, however, the remains were privately interred, without pomp or heraldic display, and some time afterwards a magnificent hearse was erected in the church, hung round with the arms, crest, and motto of the dead and his ancestors, and the family retainers went at night by torch-light to hear a funeral sermon in praise of the virtues of the deceased. For all this display, heraldic knowledge was needed; yet so perverse were the gentry around that, instead of employing Holme and Smethley to superintend the pageant and paint the banners, they often engaged what the senior deputy herald calls 'poor snaks, hedge-paynters, and, I take it, plasterers,' to do their blazonry for them. This was unbearable to the men in authority, who were defrauded of their fees; and long and bitter were their complaints to the authorities in St. Paul's Churchyard, urging that sharp measures should be taken with the arms-painters, and that the people who had these stately funerals provided for their relatives should be compelled to pay the accustomed fees to Messrs. Holme and Smethley, whether they availed themselves of their services or not."

As to Sabbath-keeping in early days in Arbroath and Scotland, note:-"It is the common opinion that the strict observance of Sunday, for which the Scotch people are remarkable, came in with the Reformation, and that the practice, so far from having become more stringent as time went on, has been relaxed in modern days. This is, of course, a mistake. In 1564, we find the council of the town ordering that 'thair be na mercats upon the sabouith day before aucht [eight] hours, noder flesh nor uder merchandeis on pain of viijs.' Mr. Hay truly remarks that we should think it passing strange were a town council nowadays to give tacit consent to holding public markets at any hour on the Sunday. It is curious, too, at so early a date to find Sabbath used to indicate the dies dominica. Inaccurate, however, as the term is, the Reformation is not responsible for coining it, but only for bringing it into common use. The town records of Beverley in 1456—ninety-eight years before this—contain a memorandum of how a certain John Johnson was fined fourpence because he housed corn on the Sabbath—'Hospitabat frumentum.... die Sabbatti.' (Poulson's Beverlac. I. 219.) It was, as the author points out, a considerable time after the establishing of the reformed faith before the custom of holding markets and other such assemblies on Sunday was discontinued.

"We have come across many instances in England of parish meetings being held, and churchwardens' accounts audited, on Easter Sunday late in the reign of Elizabeth, and far down into that of her successor. Though the Scotch did not enter on their course of strictness so early as some have thought, they certainly did at length surpass in that particular all other people on earth, unless it were some of the New England settlements. It would, we should imagine, be impossible to parallel the following from the records of the most Protestant town in Germany, Holland, or Scandinavia:—

"'On the 5th December, 1732, the barbers in the Town compeared before the session in answer to their citation; and record bears, "Being accused of profaning the Sabbath-day by shaving people and dressing their wigs before and in time of the sermon, [they] confessed their faults, upon which they were exhorted to reform, under the pain of being publicly censured." "—Athenaum, August 19, 1876, on G. Hay's Hist. of Arbroath.

In Messrs. Cotton and Woollcombe's Gleanings from the Municipal and Cathedral Records relative to the City of Exeter, 1877, there are many convictions during the Puritan time for baking on the Lord's Day, and for heating an oven on it. Travelling on Sunday was forbidden, and punisht with the stocks; and a barber was brought up for "tryming a man on the Lords Day, about tenn o'clocke in the forenone in sermon time."—Athenaum, September 15, 1877, p. 332.

p. 154. Dancing.—See p. 297; T. F.'s Newes from the North, 1597, as to the Dancing School; and Northbrooke's Treatise [against] Dicing, Dauncing, Vaine Playes or Enterluds, 1577, old Sh. Soc. reprint, 1840, p. 113-148.

p. 155: kissing. See note on this at p. 269, above.

p. 155: dancing.—Busino, of the Venetian Embassy at Jas I's Court in 1617—1618, speaks thus of the dancing before the King:—Quart Rev. Oct. 1857, p. 424. Harrison, Part II., p. 58°. "The masque began. [Ben Jonson's Pleasure reconciled to Virtue, Twelfth Night, 1617-18]. . . At last twelve cavaliers in masks, the central figure always being the prince, 'chose their partners and danced every kind of dance, the last being the Spanish dance in single pairs, each cavalier with his lady; and at length, being well nigh tired, they began to flag, whereupon the king, who is naturally choleric, got impatient, and shouted aloud, "Why don't they dance? What did you make me come here for? Devil take you all; dance!" On hearing this, the Marquis of Buckingham, his majesty's most favoured minion, immediately sprang forward, cutting a score of lofty and minute capers with so much grace and agility, that he not only appeased the ire of his angry sovereign, but, moreover, rendered himself the admiration and delight of everybody. The other

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masquers, being thus encouraged, continued successively exhibiting their prowess with various ladies; finishing in like manner with capers, and by lifting their goddesses from the ground."

See also a tract of 19 leaves in the Lambeth Library: "A Treatise of Daunses wherin it is shewed that they are as it were accessories and dependants (or thinges annexed) to whoredome; where also by the way is touched and proved that Playes are joyned and knit togeather in a rancke or rowe with them. Anno 1581." Hazlitt's Handbook, p. 137. Also "A Dialogue agaynst light, lewde, and lascivious dauncing: wherein are refuted all those reasons which the common people vse to bring in defence thereof. Compiled and made by Christopher Fetherston. Eccle. 9. 4. Use not the companie of a woman that is a singer and a dauncer, least thou be intrapped in her snares. Imprinted at London by Thomas Dawson, 1582." 8vo. 46 leaves. Bodleian (Douce). Hazlitt's Hand-

book, p. 195.

"Age. What woulde these fathers say nowe, if they were presently aliue, to see the wanton and filthie daunces that are now vsed, in this cleare day and light of the Gospell? What Sabboth dayes, what other dayes are there, nay, what nightes are ouerpassed without dauncing among a number at this time? In summer season, howe doe the moste part of our youg men and maydes, in earely rising and getting themselues into the fieldes at dauncing? what foolishe toyes shall not a man see among them? what vnchast countenances shall not be vsed then among them? or what coales shall there be wanting that may kindle Cupid's desire?-truly none. Through this dauncing, many maydens have been vnmaydened, whereby I may saye, it is the Storehouse and nurserie of bastardie. What adoe make our yong men at the time of May? Do they not vse night watchings to rob and steale yong trees out of other men's grounde, and bring : them home into their parishe with minstrels playing before? and when they have set it vp, they will deck it with floures and garlandes, and daunce round (men Exod. 32, 6. and women togither, moste vnseemly and intolerable, as I haue 1 Cor. 10, 7. proued before) about the tree, like vnto the children of Israell, that daunced about the golden calfe that they had set vp," &c. 1577.- John Northbrooke, A treatise against Dicing, Dancing, etc., ed. 1840, p. 175-176.

p. 171 : barody songs.

"He hath all that to villany belongs,
The hugest number of such baudy songs,
You euen would wonder (Gossips, this is plaine)
That any man could beare them in his braine.
He hath a song cald, Mistris, will you do ! 1
And My man Thomas did me promise to, [to is too] [2]

1 Mr. Ebsworth kindly identifies these songs :-

(2) "My man Thomas
Did me promise
He would visit me this night.
Thomas.] 'I am here, love;
Tell me, dear love;
How I may obtain thy sight.

Maid.] Come up to my window, love;
Come, come, come!
Come to my window, my dear;
The wind nor the rain
Shall trouble thee again,
But thou shalt be lodged here."

He hath the Pinnace rigd with silken saile, [3] And pretty Birds, with Garden Nightingale, [4, 5]Ile tye my Mare in thy ground a new way, [6] Worse then the Players sing it in the Play, [? what Play] Besse for abuses, and a number more, [7] That you and I have never heard before. And these among those wenches he doth learne, Which by actiuity their liuings earne. His Crownes vpon them frankly he bestowes, Not caring for his wife, or how she goes."

1609.—S. Rowlands, A Crew of kind Gossips, sign. C 2 (Hunt. Club, 1876,

On 2, 3, 6 of these Mr. Wm. Chappell says:—"See my Popular Music, p. 738, for My Man Thomas, A Pinnace riggd, and I'll tie my mare:-

> 'A pinnace rigg'd with silken sail, What is more lovely than to see? But still to see, is small avail; I must aboord, as thinketh me.'

It is full of double meanings." In Pop. Mus., p. 738, are 6 lines and the music of

"Go from my window, love, go; Go from my window, my dear: The wind and the rain Will drive you back again, You cannot be lodged here.

Begone, begone, my juggy, my puggy, Begone, my love, my dear! The weather is warm 'Twill do thee no harm; Thou can'st not be lodged here."

(3). "A pinnace rigg'd with silken le" is extant in an early MS. (time noted, before 1609), belonging to a friend of mine. I will print it soon in The Amanda Group of Bagford Poems, for the Ballad Society.

"A pinnace rigg'd with silken saile, What is more lovely then to see? But still to see is small availe: I must aboord, as thinketh mee. To see is well,

But more to tell Lackes more then sight, you will agree." (etc. four other verses.)

Two other verses are elsewhere sung "Tye the Mare, Tom, boy! of early by Old Merrythought: date. (1) I have (certainly of 1601) date. (1) I have (certainly of 1601) "Mistress, since you so much desire; probably resembling "Mistress will you do?" (7) I believe that "Besse for abuses" I also have a clue to; and I know of one "Pretty Nightingale, of date 1575,

> " Litle pretty nightingale, Among the braunches greene. Geue us of your Christmasse ale. In the honour of Saint Steven."

But this is a "Mock" to the original which I possess from an early MS., beginning thus:-

"The lytyll prety nyghtyngale, Among the levys grene, wolde I were with hur all nyght, But yet ye wot not whome I mene," etc., etc.

(4) I have also one song beginning "Ye pretty birds that chirp and sing;" but its date is much later in the 17th century :- the author was not scrupulous in availing himself of elder sugges-(6) I have the Catch "I'le tye my Mare tions, and occasionally would "convey, in thy ground." There is also another, the wise it call!"—J. W. Ebsworth.

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My man Thomas, of which 12 lines were sung in Fletcher's Monsieur Thomas, Act III. sc. iii (B. & F.'s Works, 1839, i. 481, col. 1). See too the note for p. 185, below, p. 319.

Compare the following cancelld entry in the Stationers' Registers, Arber's Transcript, ii. 576:

7. marcij [1590-1]

Thomas Gosson

Entred for his copie a ballad of a yonge man that went a woaying &c. Abell Jeffes to be his printer hereof Provyded

GAMES, SPORTS, AND FOOTBALL.

p. 173: games and sports. Here is a list of them in 1600:-"Man, I dare challenge thee to throw the sledge, To iumpe or leape ouer a ditch or hedge, To wrastle, play at stooleball, or to runne, To pitch the barre, or to shoote off a gunne: To play at loggets, nine holes, or ten pinnes, To trie it out at foot-ball by the shinnes; At Ticktacke, Irish, Noddie, Maw, and Ruffe; At hot-cockles, leape-frogge, or blindman-buffe; To drinke halfe pots, or deale at the whole canne; To play at base, or pen-and-Ynk-horne sir Ihan: To daunce the Morris, play at barly-breake: At all exploytes a man can thinke or speake: At shoue-groute, venter-poynt, or crosse and pile: At beshrow him that's last at yonder style,"

1600. -S. Rowlands, The Letting of Humours Blood in the Head-vaine, D 4, back (ed. 1874, p. 64). On these and other games see Hazlitt's Brand, vols. i., ii. Also Burton's Anatomy of Melancholy. The Act 33 Hen. VIII., ch. 9, § 8, says: "noe manner of person. . shall for his or their gayne, lucre or lyvinge, kepe . . . or maynteyne any common house, alley or place of bowlinge, Coytinge, Cloyshe, Coyles, halfe bowle, Tennys, Dysing, Table, or Cardinge, or any other manner of Game prohibite by anye estatute heretofore made, or any unlaufull newe game nowe invented or made, upon payne to forfeit and paye for everie day kepinge. . or sufferinge any suche Game to be . . playde . . fourtie shillinges . . ." By § 11 "noe manner of Artyfycer or Crastes man of any handy craste or occupacion, husbandman, apprentice, laborer, servaunte at husbandrye, jorneyman or servaunte of artyficer, mariners, fysshermen, watermen, or any servyngman, shall . . playe at the Tables, Tennys, Dyce, Cardes, Bowles, Clashe, Coytinge, Logatinge, or any other unlawfull, Game, out of Christmas, under peyne of twentye shillinges to be forfeyt for everie

tyme, And in Christmas to playe at anye of the said Games [only] in their maisters houses or in their maisters presence: and also that noe manner of person shall at any tyme playe at any bowle or bowles in open places out of his garden or orcharde, under the peyne for everie tyme so offendinge to forfeyt vjs. viijd.''

§ 15 and 16 provide for Servants playing Cards Dice & Tables by License of their Masters, & give Noblemen, & Landholders of £100 a year, power to license their Servants to play in their Houses, Gardens or Orchards 'Cardes, Dyce, Bowles or Tennys.' 33 Henry VIII was from 22 April 1541 to 21 April 1542.

p. 174. Dicing. "O how happie were it for your Posteritie, if the Innes of the Court were farre from the Dycing-houses, or Dicyng-houses with their Originall, the Deuill . . . These Houses (outwardly) are of the substance of other Buildinges, but within are the Botches and Byles of abhomynation: they are lyke vnto deepe Pittes, couered with smoothe Grasse, of which, men must be warned, or els they can hardly auoide that their eye can not discouer." 1586.—Geo. Whetstone, The Enemie to Vnthryftinesse . . A Perfect Mirrour for all Maiestrates, A 3, back. (A very disappointing book, which professes to discover 'the vnsufferable Abuses now raigning in our happie English common wealth,' but only quotes the abuses in Rome which Alexander Severus tried to put down, and gives no details of them in England. He had brothels shut from sunset to sunrise, that the frequenters of them might be seen, &c.)

Latimer, in his 6th Sermon before Edward VI, in 1549, says:—"There be such dicing houses also, they say, . . . where young gentlemen dice away their thrift; and where dicing is, there are other follies also . . Men of England, in times past, when they would exercise themselves . . were wont to go abroad in the fields a shooting; but now it is turned into [bolling, 1562] glossing, gulling and whoring within the house. The art of shooting . . hath been Gods instrument whereby he hath given us many victories against our enemies; but now we have taken up whoring in towns, instead of shooting in the fields." Sermons, Parker Soc. 1844, p. 196-7.

p. 175. Football. Cp. Laneham's Letter, 1575, on the sports, &c., at Kenilworth Castle: the bridegroom is 'lame of a leg, that in his youth was broken at football, 'p. 27. " Fatal Accident at a Football Match. - An inquest was held yesterday evening by Mr. Bedford, the coroner for Westminster, at the Board-room, Eburybridge, Pimlico, touching the death of Mr. Sydney James Henniss Branson, aged 21, a medical student, residing at 7, South Eaton-place, Eaton-square, which occurred under the following sad circumstances: -Mr. Maurice Chilton, medical student, deposed that he resided with the deceased at the above house, and on the afternoon of Wednesday week last they were, with a great many others, taking part in a football match at Battersea-park, and at about four o'clock a young gentleman named Baily had seized the football and was running with it swiftly across the ground, when the deceased immediately ran after him, but had scarcely reached him when he stumbled and fell to the ground. He caught hold of Baily's leg and dragged him down upon him, the latter falling with considerable force upon deceased's chest and stomach. Deceased was picked up by his companions and taken in an insensible state to the porter's lodge, where he remained an hour, and was afterwards taken home in a cab with witness's assistance. In witness's

opinion Mr. Baily's falling was quite the consequence of deceased pulling him. Mr. Charles Henry Baily, sub-lieutenant, Royal Naval College, Greenwich, was called, and stated that deceased was a stranger to him. On that afternoon he scarcely knew deceased was running after him, but recollected being caught suddenly round the legs, and falling with his knees on deceased. Mr. Bertram Pink, surgeon, stated he lived in the same house, and saw deceased when brought home. Without doubt he had an internal rupture, and some injury to the abdomen. He had him put to bed, inflammation (the result of the injury) set in next day, from which he died on Monday. The jury returned a verdict of 'Accidental Death,' agreeing with the coroner that it was deceased's own imprudence which had caused the death."—Daily News, March 19, 1875.

"Shocking Football Accident at Derby.—On Saturday afternoon a match took place at Derby, under the Rugby rules, between the Derby Wanderers and a Birmingham football club. The ground was hard, owing to the frost of the previous night. During the play, one of the Birmingham players named Matthew Wilcox made a 'charge,' but missed his mark and fell. Before he could recover himself another player fell across him, and he became insensible. Various means used to recover him failed, and he was conveyed upon a shutter to the infirmary, where it was discovered that the lower cervical vertebrae were dislocated. Under surgical treatment he recovered consciousness, and his friends were telegraphed for, but the case is considered hopeless."—Daily News, March 20, 1876.

"Football and the Rugby Rules .- The accident to Mr. Matthew Wilcox, of Birmingham, in a football match at Rugby, having terminated fatally, an inquest was held yesterday. The deceased was a jeweller of Handsworth, and was twenty-five years of age. He was one of the (Birmingham) Moseley Club, who played the Derby Wanderers at Parker's-field Ground last Saturday. Mr. Thomas Hill, solicitor, deposed that deceased picked up the ball, and, running with it towards the goal, was collared by an opponent named Champion, and both fell, deceased, who appeared to turn a somersault, being undermost, with the whole weight of his opponent on the back of his neck. He tried to rise, but could not. Mr. Iliffe, surgeon, directed him to be taken to the Infirmary. Mr. Andrew Champion (Wanderers), and Thomas Bent and W. Matthews (Moseley Club), gave similar evidence. The house surgeon at the Infirmary stated that deceased was suffering from complete paralysis arising from dislocation of the lower cervical vertebræ. He lingered until 11.30 on Sunday night, when he died. A verdict was returned of 'Accidental Death.' The sad affair has created a profound impression in Derby, where football is much played. In connection with this matter, Mr. T. Budworth Sharp, of Smethwick, a friend of the deceased, writes to the Birmingham Daily Post, giving the following list of serious injuries sustained, owing to the Rugby rules, in one Birmingham Club (the Handsworth) in one season alone: - 'I. A broken thigh and leg, bent to an angle of about 45 degrees. We put the player into a cab, sent him off to the hospital, where he remained some months. 2. Some dislocations about the collar-bone. 3. A broken collar-bone. 4. Some serious internal ruptures, necessitating the use of a truss and gentle exercise for some years. 5. Some broken bones in the ankle: sent to hospital for some weeks, and since on

crutches. 6. Injuries to the chest. 7. Serious injury to the knee-joint; laid up for three weeks. Nos. 4 and 5 are brothers; Nos. 1 and 6 are twin brothers; and No. 7 is the writer.' Mr. Sharp adds that this list was written in April, 1875, and was then put aside at the request of certain members of the club, one of whom was the unfortunate Matthew Wilcox."—Daily News, March 22, 1876. Other deaths, and lots of accidents, have been reported since. Here's the last, from the Echo, Feb. 10, 1879, p. 3, col. 1:—

"Killed at Football.—Yesterday a youth died at Tunstall from a kick received at a football match played between the Tunstall and Goldenhill (North Staffordshire) teams, at Tunstall, a few days before. Play was very rough, and Herbert Whitedock, one of the Goldenhill team, was kicked in the stomach. He was conveyed from the ground in a state of unconsciousness, and succumbed after much suffering. It is not known who made the fatal foul."

p. 175. On gaming and dice, leading to robbery. — See S. Rowlands's 'All's Fish that comes to net' in his *Knaue of Spades* (? 1611), ed. 1874, p. 14; also his Satyres, p. 59, in his *Letting of Humours Blood*, 1600, ed. 1874; and the extract from Latimer in Note for p. 174, above, p. 317.

p. 177. Bearbaiting.—See the extracts above, p. 296-8, 301.

p. 179. Accident at the Bear-Garden. Stowe says—Annales, Eight persons 1605, p. 1173—"The same 13. day of Januarie, being sonday, about fall of a foure of the clocke in the afternoone, the old and vnderpropped scaffolds round about the Beare garden, commonly called Paris garden, garden, on the Southside of the river of Thamis over against the citie of London, over-charged with people, fell suddenly downe, whereby, to the number of eight persons, men and women, were slaine, and many others sore hurt and bruised, to the shortening of their lives. A friendly warning to such as more delight themselves in the crueltie of beasts then in the works of mercie, the fruits of a true professed faith, which ought to be the sabboth daies exercise."

p. 184: wrestling in the City of London:—"On Bartholomew day, for the Wrastling. So many Aldermen as doe dine with the Lord Maior, and the Sheriffes, are apparelled in their Scarlet Gownes lined; and after dinner, their horses are brought to them where they dined. And those Aldermen which dine with the Sheriffes, ride with them to the Lord Maiors house, for accompanying him to the Wrastling. When as the Wrastling is done; they mount their horses, and ride backe againe thorow the Fayre, and so in at Aldersgate, and then home againe to the Lord Maiors house.

The next day (if it be not Sunday) is appointed for the Shooting, and the service The Shoot. performed as upon Bartholomew day; but if it bee Sunday, the ing day. Sabbath day, it is referred to the Monday then following." 1633. Continuation of Stowe's Survay, p. 651, col. 2.

p. 185: bawdy songs, &c. (See p. 314-16, above.)

".. our own children . . the first words
We form their tongues with, are licentious jests:
Can it call 'whore,' cry 'bastard'? O then, kiss it!

320 Notes on po. 185, 186. Song-writers, &c.

A witty child! can't swear? The father's darling!

Give it two plums. Nay rather than't shall learn

No bawdy song, the mother herself will teach it!"

1598-1601.—B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour, II. iii. Works, i. 22, col. 1.

p. 185. Bableries, &c. "& in truth, what leasings will not make-shyfts inuent for money? What wyl they not faine for gaine? Hence come our babling Ballets, and our new found Songs and Sonets, which every rednose Fidler hath at his fingers end, and every ignorant Ale knight will breath forth over the potte, as soone as his braine waxeth hote. Be it a troth which they would tune, they enterlace it with a lye or two to make meeter, not regarding veritie, so they may make vppe the verse; not vnlike to Homer, who cared not what he fained, so hee might make his Countrimen famous . . . sith they obtaine the name of our English Poets, and thereby make men to thinke more baselie of the wittes of our Countrey, I cannot but turne them out of their counterfet liverie, and brand them in the foreheade, that all men may know their falshood." 1590.—T. Nashe, The Anatomie of Absurditie, B 4.

p. 186: putting good Laws into practice. Idle fellows and rascals.

Queene B.

"Queene Elizabeth in the xiii and xviii yeres of hir gracious reygne,
an. 14 & 18 two actes were made for ydle, vagrant, and maisterlesse persons,
that used to loyter, and woulde not worke, shoulde, for the first offence, haue a
hole burned through the gristle of one of his eares, of an ynche compasse; and,

for the seconde offence committed therein, to be hanged.

"If these and such lyke lawes were executed iustlye, truly, and seuerely, (as they ought to be), without any respect of persons, fauour, or friendshippe, this dung and filth of ydleness woulde easily be rejected and cast oute of thys common wealth; there would not be so many loytering, ydle persons, so many ruffians, blasphemers, and swingebucklers, so many drunkardes, tossepottes, whooremaisters, dauncers, fydlers, and minstrels, diceplayers, and maskers, fencers, theeves, enterlude players, cut purses, cosiners, maisterlesse seruauntes, jugglers, roges, sturdye beggars, counterfaite Egyptians, &c. as there are; nor yet so many plagues to bee amongst vs as there are, if these dunghilles, and filthe in common weales were remoued, looked vnto, and cleane caste out by the industrie, payne, and trauell of those that are sette in authoritie and haue gouernemente." 1577.—John Northbrooke, A treatise against Dicing, Dancing, Plays, and Interludes, with other idle Pastimes, ed. 1840, p. 76. See too the end of the note for p. 75, above, p. 265.

APPENDIX.

POPULAR AND POPISH SUPERSTITIONS AND CUSTOMS

On Saints'-Pays and Holy-Pays

IN GERMANY
AND OTHER PAPIST LANDS

A. D. 1553,

BEING

THE FOURTH BOOKE OF

"The Popish Kingdome, or reigne of Antichrist, written in Latine verse by Thomas Naogeorgus (or Kirchmaier), and englyshed by Barnabe Googe. . . Anno 1570."

[THOMAS KIRCHMAIER: one of the most violent Protestant writers of the 16th century, born in 1511 at Straubingen, in Bavaria. Following the custom of his time, he changed his name for that of Nao-Georgos—two Greek words, having the same meaning. He embraced the reformation of Luther, and did not cease to declaim against what he termed the superstitions of the Romish Church. with a virulence which harmed him even in the opinion of the sensible members of his own community. [This is written by a Papist.] He had imagination, power, and much wit. From the number of his productions we can judge of the great facility with which he worked. He knew a good deal of Greek, and we possess several translations by him. After having exercised the functions of pastoral minister in various villages in Germany, and having called down upon himself the censures of the Consistory of Weimar, he died on the 29th December, 1563, at Wisbach, in the Palatinate. The curious seek for his works with great eagerness, and this reason has induced us to give a complete list of them. I. Trag. nova, Pammachius, Wittemberg, 1538, in 8º of 81 leaves. II. Tragadia nova, Mercator seu Judicium 1 (Bâle, 1540), in 8° of 75 leaves. This work has been translated into French under this title: Le Marchand converti, tragédie nouvelle en laquelle la vraie et la fausse religion, au paragon l'une de l'autre, sont au vif representées, etc. (Genève), 1558; in 8º 1561, in 12º with the "Comédie du Pape malade et tirant à sa fin " (by Theod. de Bèze), 1585, in two parts in 160; 1591 in 16°, 1594 in 12°. The translation of the "Marchand Converti" is attributed to J. Crespin. III. Incendia, seu Pyrgopolynices, tragedia rucens nata, nephanda quorundam papistici gregis exponens facinora, Wittemberg, 1541, in 8° of 49 leaves, without the title-page; republished under the same date, in 8° of 56 leaves. This was Kirchmaier's rarest work, but it has been republished in the 'Politica imperialia' of Goldast, p. 1112; IV. Hammanus, trag. nova sumpta e Bibliis (Leipzig), 1543, in small 80; V. Hieremias, trag. nova, ex propheta Hieremia sumpta (Bâle), 1551, in 8°; VI. Judas Iscariotes, trag. nova et sacra; adjuncta sunt dua Sophoclis tragedia, Ajax flagellifer et Philocetes, carmine versa (Stuttgard), 1552, in 8°, rare; VII. Agricultura sacra libri V., ibid, 1550, small 8°; VIII. Regnum papisticum, 1553, small 80 of 173 pages, original edition; the same, with other works, Bâle, Oporin, 1559, in 80 of 343 pages, without counting 16 unnumbered leaves with the Errata and Index (see Brunet, Manuel du libraire); IX. Explanatio Enchiridionis Epicteti, Strasbourg, 1554, in 8°; X. Satyrarum libri V priores, his sunt adjecti de animi tranquillitate duo libelli, Bâle, 1555, in 8°; XI. De dissidiis componendis libri duo; adjuncta est Satyra in J. della Casa, ibid, 1559, in 8°; XII. Annotationes in canonicam Joannis primam epistolam, 1544, in 8°; XIII. Confutatio de bello germanico in pedionetum, trimetris scazonibus; XIV. De Infantum ac parvulorum salute, deque Christi dicto: "Sinite parvulos venire ad me," etc. Conclusiones, 145, Bâle, 1556, in 80; XV. Epitome ecclesiasticorum dogmatum, carmine hexametro heroīca. Kirchmaier has translated several of Dion Chrysostom's "Discourses" from Greek into Latin, Paris, 1604, fol.; several Pieces of Isocrates, Plutarch (Bâle, 1556, in 8°), and the letters of Synesius (ibid, 1558, in 8°), those of Phalaris, ibid, 1558, in 8°. Some works by him are to be found in the Delicia poetarum Germanorum, vol. 4.— Biographie Universelle, 2nd edition.]

² Tragcedia, in qua, in conspectu ponuntur apostolica et papistica doctrina.

APPENDIX.

The Popish Kingdome.

The fourth booke.

[The Sidenotes of the original are in italics.]

S Papistes doe beleue and teach the vaynest things that bee, [leaf 44] So with their doctrine and their fayth, their life doth iump agree.

Their feafts & all their holidayes they kepe throughout the Papists' Feasts and Holidays are agree. idolatrous and heathenlike. Are full of vile Idolatrie, and heathenlike appeare: Whereby though they do nothing teach, but should their doctrine hide, (Which yet in volumes more than one, may openly be spide) Thou eafily mayst knowe whether true Catholikes they bee, They don't trust And onely trust in Christ, and keepe th'assured veritee. Be therefore here a perfite Iudge, and all things warely way, With equal ballance, for before thine eyes I here will lay Most plainly, though not all (for who is able that to tell,) But such as best are knowne to vs in Germanie that dwell. 12 And first betwixt the dayes they make no little difference, For all be not of vertue like, nor like preheminence. Si quis. Non obser, Quis. q. 2. Nos pla-net. Sed & illua But some of them Egyptian are, and full of ieopardee, And some againe beside the rest, both good and luckie bee. q. s. Non liceal. Like diffrence of the nights they make, as if th'almightie king, That made them all, not gracious were to them in every thing. Befide they give attentive eare to blinde Astronomars, About th'aspects in every howre of sundrie shining stars: They attend to the Aspects of the Stars, and think folk's for-And vnderneath what Planet euery man is borne and bred, What good or euill fortune doth hang ouer euery hed. tunes are ruld by Hereby they thinke affuredly to know what shall befall, As men that have no perfite fayth nor trust in God at all: But thinke that every thing is wrought and wholy guided here, By moouing of the Planets, and the whirling of the Speare. No vaine they pearse nor enter in the bathes at any day, They'll not be bled, bathe, or Nor pare their nayles, nor from their hed do cut the heare away: 28 They also put no childe to nurse, nor mend with doung their ground, take medicine. Nor medicine do receyue to make their crased bodies sound,

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and a wooden Child drest up,

set on the altar. Boys and Girls

dannce and sing round it,

the Priests roar, and the Parents

Saint Stenen, Dec. 26.

Horses are gal-lopt till they

sweat, to keep em well all the

Priests hallow wine, and sell it,

and make Manchets with it,

against storms

[leaf 45, back] Childermasse.

Parents beat their children,

another.

servants and Monks beat one

Newyeares day.

Gifts are made to every one.

year.

in clowtes is on the aultar fet and gyrles do daunce and trymly iet, 80 Chrift, and for to helpe them heare, erfe, with fweete and folemne cheare. and round about the parentes stande, eir voyce do helpe them and their hande. rhaps vpon the mountaine Ide, new borne with fong to hide, and on their brasen pannes to beate, him, fhould him deftroy and eate. hens day, whereon doth euery man, abrode, as fwiftly as he can. weate, and than they let them blood, is day, they fay doth do them good, naladies and ficknesse through the yeare, tooke charge of horses heare. Saint Iohn, Dec. 27. Zebedee hath his appoynted day, ts will, conftrayned was they fay , therefore the Papiftes doe beleeue, t in him, no poyfon them can greene. wed is, in worship of his name, people that bring money for the fame. 100 ame wine are little manchets made, iter ftormes, and fundrie fuch like trade. me day, do take this holy wine, do the maydes to make them faire and fine. at calles to minde the cruell Herodes strife, II, the king of euerlasting life, ts yong, a beaft vnmercileffe, as were of two yeares age or leffe. 108 cheffe crie, and earneftly do pray, their faultes, and wipe their finnes away. day appeares, doe beate their children all, leferue) and feruaunts all to beating fall, 112 che other well, or else their Prior great, ke in hande their breeches all to beat: ocents, or rather as we fee, d king, that did this crueltee. Newyeares day, whereon to euery frende, do bring, and Neweyeares giftes do fende. and gives his wife, and father eke the childe, ien bestowes the like, with fauour milde. of the yeare they wishe and wishe againe, ncient guise of heathen people vaine. For 8 days no man asks a debt. Great feasting o man doth require his dettes of any man, furnish out with all the meate they can: Tartes, & Cuftards great, they drink with flaring goes on. uell, feede and feaft, as merry all as Pyes:

without looking to the Moon's

[leaf 44, back]

Advent.

On Christmas eve, boys and girls knock at every door, wish the inmates a happy year, and get fruit and pence from them.

Wanton girls try to find out their husbands names by Onions,

and their husbands natures by Faggots.

Christmasse daye.

Some think all [leaf 45] the wine is turnd to water, and back again. Others watch for altar-money.

3 Masses are sung ;

Nor any other thing they do, but earnestly before They marke the Moone how the is placed, and ftandeth euermore: 32 And euery planet howe they rife, and fet in eche degree, Which things vnto the perfite fayth of Christ repugnant bee. Which first I showe, least in my course I should be driven plaine, To call to minde these foolishe toyes, now to my theame againe. 36

Three weekes before the day whereon was borne the Lorde of grace. And on the Thursday Boyes and Girles do runne in euery place, And bounce and beate at every doore, with blowes and luftie fnaps, And crie, the aduent of the Lorde not borne as yet perhaps. And wishing to the neighbours all, that in the houses dwell, A happie yeare, and every thing to fpring and profper well: Here have they peares, and plumbs, & pence, ech man gives willinglee, For these three nightes are alwayes thought, vnfortunate to bee: Wherein they are afrayde of sprites, and cankred witches spight, And dreadfull deuils blacke and grim, that then have chiefest might. In these same dayes youg wanton Gyrles that meete for mariage bee, Doe fearch to know the names of them that shall their husbandes bee. Foure Onyons, fiue, or eight, they take and make in euery one, Such names as they do fanfie moft, and best do thinke vpon. Thus neere the Chimney them they fet, and that same Onyon than, That first doth sproute, doth surely beare the name of their good man. Their husbandes nature eke they seeke to know, and all his guise, 53 When as the Sunne hath hid himfelfe, and left the starrie skies, Unto fome woodstacke do they go, and while they there do stande, Eche one drawes out a faggot sticke, the next that commes to hande, Which if it streight and euen be, and haue no knots at all, 57 A gentle hutband then they thinke shall furely to them fall. But if it fowle and crooked be, and knottie here and theare A crabbed churlish husband then, they earnestly do feare. 60 These things the wicked Papistes beare, and suffer willingly, Bicause they neyther do the ende, nor fruites of faith espie : And rather had the people should obey their foolish lust, Than truely God to know, and in him here alone to truft. Then comes the day wherein the Lorde did bring his birth to paffe, Whereas at midnight vp they rife, and euery man to Maffe,

This time fo holy counted is, that divers earneftly Do thinke the waters all to wine are chaunged fodainly: In that same houre that Christ himselfe was borne, and came to light, And vnto water ffreight againe, transformde and altred quight. There are befide that mindfully the money still do watch, That first to aultar commes, which then they privily do fnatch. 72 The Priestes least other should it haue, takes oft the same away, Whereby they thinke throughout the yeare to have good lucke in play, And not to lofe: then ftraight at game till daylight do they ftriue, To make some present proofe how well their hallowde pence wil thriue. Three Maffes euery Priest doth sing vpon that solemne day, With offrings vnto euery one, that fo the more may play.

This done, a woodden childe in clowtes is on the aultar set About the which both boyes and gyrles do daunce and trymly let, 80 And Carrols fing in prayle of Christ, and for to helpe them heare, The Organs aunswere euery verse, with sweete and solemne cheare. The Priestes doe rore aloude, and round about the parentes stande, To fee the sport, and with their voyce do helpe them and their hande. Thus woont the Coribants perhaps upon the mountaine Ide, The crying noyse of *Iupiter* new borne with song to hide, To daunce about him round, and on their brasen pannes to beate, Leaft that his father finding him, should him destroy and eate.

Then followeth Saint Stephens day, whereon doth euery man, His horses iaunt and course abrode, as swiftly as he can. Untill they doe extreemely fweate, and than they let them blood, For this being done vpon this day, they fay doth do them good, And keepes them from all maladies and ficknesse through the yeare, As if that Steuen any time tooke charge of horses heare.

Next Iohn the sonne of Zebedee hath his appoynted day, Who once by cruell tyraunts will, constrayned was they say Strong poyson vp to drinke, therefore the Papistes doe beleeue, That whoso puts their trust in him, no poyson them can greeue. The wine befide that halowed is, in worship of his name, The Priestes doe give the people that bring money for the same. 100 And after with the selfe same wine are little manchets made, Agaynst the boystrous winter stormes, and fundrie such like trade. The men vpon this folemne day, do take this holy wine, To make them strong, so do the maydes to make them faire and fine.

Then comes the day that calles to minde the cruell Herodes strife, Who feeking Christ to kill, the king of euerlasting life, Destroyde the little infants yong, a beast vnmercilesse, 108 And put to death all such as were of two yeares age or lesse. To them the finfull wretchesse crie, and earnestly do pray, To get them pardon for their faultes, and wipe their finnes away. The Parentes when this day appeares, doe beate their children all, (Though nothing they deserve) and servaunts all to beating fall, And Monkes do whip eche other well, or else their Prior great, Or Abbot mad, doth take in hande their breeches all to beat: In worship of these Innocents, or rather as we see, In honour of the curfed king, that did this crueltee. 116

The next to this is Newyeares day, whereon to euery frende, They costly presents in do bring, and Neweyeares giftes do sende. These giftes the husband gives his wife, and father eke the childe, And maister on his men bestowes the like, with fauour milde. And good beginning of the yeare they wishe and wishe againe, According to the auncient guise of heathen people vaine. These eight dayes no man doth require his dettes of any man, Their tables do they furnish out with all the meate they can: With Marchpaynes, Tartes, & Custards great, they drink with staring goes on. They rowte and reuell, feede and feast, as merry all as Pyes:

and a wooden Child drest up, set on the altar. Boys and Girls round it, and the Parents

Saint Steuen Dec. 26. Horses are gal-lopt till they sweat, to k em well all the

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[leaf 45, back] Childermasse.

Parents beat their children,

Newyeares day. Gifts are made to every one.

For 8 days no man asks a debt. Great feasting

As if they should at th'entrance of this newe yeare hap to die, Yet would they have theyr bellyes full, and auncient friendes allie, 128 The wife mens day here followeth, who out from Perfia farre, welfe day. January 6. Brought gifts and prefents vnto Chrift, conducted by a ftarre. The Papiftes do beleeue that these were kings, and so them call, And do affirme that of the same there were but three in all. 132 Every set of friends chooses a Here fundrie friendes togither come, and meete in companie, And make a king amongst themselues by voyce or destinie: King, and has a Who after princely guife appoyntes, his officers alway, Then vnto feasting doe they go, and long time after play: 136 Upon their bordes in order thicke the daintie diffies ftande, Till that their purses emptie be, and creditors at hande. Their children herein follow them, and choofing princes here, Children choose a Prince too. With pompe and great folemnitie, they meete and make good chere: [leaf 46] With money eyther got by stealth, or of their parents eft, That fo they may be traynde to knowe both ryot here and theft. Every house-holder makes a big cake, and Then also every housholder, to his abilitie, Doth make a mightie Cake, that may fuffice his companie: 144 puts a penny in it. It's cut up, Herein a pennie doth he put, before it come to fire, This he deuides according as his housholde doth require, And euery peece distributeth, as round about they stand, 148 Which in their names vnto the poore is given out of hand: and the man who gets the penny, is King, and is lifted up to the roof to make crosses on the But who fo chaunceth on the peece wherein the money lies, Is counted king amongst them all, and is with showtes and cries Exalted to the heavens vp, who taking chalke in hande, Doth make a croffe on euery beame, and rafters as they flande: 152 rafters, against Great force and powre have these agaynst all injuryes and harmes spirits. Of curfed deuils, sprites, and bugges, of conjurings and charmes. So much this king can do, fo much the Croffes brings to paffe, Made by fome feruant, maide, or childe, or by fome foolish affe. 156 At night, Frankincense is Twife fixe nightes then from Christmasse, they do count with diligence, Wherein eche maifter in his house doth burne vp Franckensence: burnt, and all the family smoke And on the Table fettes a loafe, when night approcheth nere, their noses and Before the Coles, and Franckenience to be perfumed there: em sound. First bowing downe his heade he standes, and note and eares, and eyes He fmokes, and with his mouth receyue the fume that doth arife: Whom followeth streight his wife, and doth the same full solemly, And of their children every one, and all their family: Which doth preferue they fay their teeth, and nofe, and eyes, and eare, From enery kind of maladie, and ficknesse all the yeare. When every one receyued hath this odour great and fmall, Then they carry the pan in pro-cession round the house, to keep witches off. Then one takes vp the pan with Coales, and Franckensence and all, An other takes the loafe, whom all the reaft do follow here, And round about the house they go, with torch or taper clere, That neither bread nor meat do want, nor witch with dreadful charme, Haue powre to hurt their children, or to do their cattell harme. There are that three nightes onely do perfourme this foolish geare, They foretell the To this intent, and thinke themselves in safetie all the yeare.

To Christ dare none commit himselfe. And in these dayes beside, They indge what weather all the yeare shall happen and betide: 176 Ascribing to each day a month, and at this present time, The youth in energy place doe slocke, and all appareld fine, With Pypars through the streetes they runne, and sing at energy dore, In commendation of the man, rewarded well therefore: 180 Which on themselues they do bestowe, or on the Church, as though The people were not plagude with Roges and begging Friers enough. There Cities are, where boyes and gyrles togither still do runne, About the streete with like, as soone as night beginnes to come, 184 And bring abrode their wasself bowles, who well rewarded bee, With Cakes and Cheese, and great good cheare, and money plentiousse.

Then commes in place faint Agnes day, which here in Germanie, Is not fo much esteemde, nor kept with such solemnitie: 188 But in the Popish Court it standes in passing hie degree, As fpring and head of wondrous gaine, and great commoditee. For in faint Agnes Church vpon this day while Masse they sing, Two Lambes as white as fnowe, the Nonnes do yearely vie to bring: And when the Agnus chaunted is, vpon the aultar hie, 193 (For in this thing there hidden is a folemne mysterie)
They offer them. The servaunts of the Pope when this is done, Do put them into Pasture good till shearing time be come. Then other wooll they mingle with these holy fleeses twaine, Whereof being sponne and drest, are made the Pals of passing gaine: Three fingars commonly in bredth, and wrought in compasse so, As on the Bishops shoulders well they round about may go. These Pals thus on the shoulders set, both on the backe and brest, Haue labels hanging fomething lowe, the endes whereof are dreft, And typte with plates of weightie lead, and vesture blacke arayde, And last of all to make an ende, with knots are surely stayde. O ioyfull day of Agnes, and to Papistes full of gaine, O precious worthie Lambes, O wooll most fortunate againe. O happie they that spin and weaue the same, whose handes may touch This holy wooll, and make these Pals of price and vertue such. For by the same the Bishops have their full aucthoritie, And Metropolitanes are forced, these dearely for to buie. Bestowing sometime eight, or ten, yea thirtie thousand crownes, Ere halfe the yeare be full expirde, for these same pelting gownes. 212 Ne can they vie the Pall that was their predicessors late, Nor play the Bishop, nor receyue the Primates hie estate, Till that he get one of his owne: with such like subtiltie,

The Pope doth all men powle, without respect of Simonie.

Perchaunce such force doth not in these same holy Lambes remaine,
Nor of it selfe the wooll so much, nor all the weauers paine,
As these same powlers seeme to say: for thus these palles being wrought,
Are streight waies to S. Peters Church by hands of Deacons brought,
And vnderneath the aultar all the night they buryed lie,

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Among saint Peters reliques and saint Paules his fellow bie.

[leaf 46, back]
Young men
dresst-up, go
singing thro the
streets with
Pipers.

Saint Agnes. Jan. 21.

Is kept at Rome solemnly.

s snow-white lambs are offerd on the altar,

then put to grass and shorn; and their wool is made into narrow Palls,

with labels tipt with lead.

These Palls, Bishops and Archbishops are forc't to buy at high prices.

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The Palls are put under the altar in St. Peter's, among his relics, for one night, and thence

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are thought to draw heavenly power.	From hence the facred iuyce they draw, and powre celeftiall, As if the holy ghoft fhould give these Clarkes his vertue all. Straunge Reliques sure, and bodies eke of passing fanctitie, That to such lowsie clokes can give so great aucthoritie.	224	
	Who would not more esteeme you nowe then when you here did When as no clokes at all you did vnto your Bishops giue, Nor sed so many paunches great, nor shauen companies,	liue, 228	
Foul deceits!	With foule illusions and deceytes and shamelesse suttesties? Now filter do you give and heapes of golde togither rake From every realme, and for a denne of theeues provision make.	232	
What holy thing hav'n't the Papists turnd to	Farre be it from me that I should thus of you beleeue or fay: But what so holy in this worlde hath bene, or is this day, That this same wicked Papacie doth not conuert to gaine? This latin has been so to footier to gaine?	202	
gain?	Th'almightie Lord himfelfe aboue in fafetie cannot raigne. Now here the Papiftes do declare from whom at first did spring, The vse of this same pelting Pall, and this vnseemely thing. And here a thousand lyes they make, from auncient fathers olde,	230	
	They fay the first inuention came, ne dare they yet be bolde To burthen Peter with the same, for feare they faint in proofe, But do reiect, not probably, yet farther of aloofe.	240	
They say these Palls were insti-	Such folly and ambicion great, whereat you wonder may. For Linus he that Peter first succeeded as they say, And guyded next the sea of Rome, first tooke this same in hande	24.	
tuted by St. Peter's successor.	That woollen garment might in fleede of lynnen Ephod flande. But where was Agnes at this tyme? who offred vp and how, The two white Lambes? where then was Maffe as it is vied now		
[leaf 47, back]	Yea where was then the popish state, and dreadfull Monarchee? Sure in saint Austens time, there were no Palles at Rome to see: When Bishops all had equall powre, although as stories tell,	249	
	The romifie Bifhop did the reaft in worthinesse excell. Thus Papistes neuer count it shame, nor any fault to lie, So they may get great summes of golde, and rayse their kingdome	252 hie	
Candelmasse. Feb. 2. Big Tapers are	Then comes the day wherein the virgin offred Christ vnto The father chiefe, as <i>Moufes</i> law commaunded hir to do. Then numbers great of Tapers large, both men and women bear	256	
blest in Church, then lighted, put out, and kept to light against	To Church, being halowed there with pomp, & dreadful words to h This done, eche man his Candell lightes, where chiefeft feemeth Whofe taper greatest may be seene, and fortunate to bee:	eare.	
thunder, devils, and spirits that walk by night.	Whose Candell burneth cleare and bright, a wondrous force and might Doth in these Candels lie, which if at any time they light, They sure believe that neyther storme nor tempest dare abide.		
	Nor thunder in the fkies be heard, nor any deuils spide, Nor fearefull sprites that walke by night, nor hurts of frost or ha How easily can these fellowes all these hurly burlyes quaile?	264 ile,	
Blase, Feb. 3.	That needlesse is it nowe to put their trust in Christ alone, Or to commit all things to him that sittes in chiefest throne. Then followeth good sir Blase, who doth a waxen Candell gir	268	
The Holy-Water	And holy water to his men, whereby they fafely line.	IC,	

I divers Barrels oft haue seene, drawne out of water cleare, Through one small blessed bone of this same holy martyr heare: 272 And caryed thence to other townes and Cities farre away, Ech superstition doth require such earnest kinde of play: But in the meane time no man feekes for Christ and God aboue, Nor dare content themselues to have his favour and his love.

Now when at length the pleasant time of Shrouetide comes in place, And cruell fasting dayes at hande approch with solemne grace: Then olde and yong are both as mad, as ghestes of Bacchus seast, And foure dayes long they tipple fquare, and feede and neuer reaft. Downe goes the Hogges in euery place, and puddings euery wheare Do swarme: the Dice are shakte and tost, and Cardes apace they teare: In every house are showtes and cryes, and mirth, and reuell route, And daintie tables spred, and all be set with ghestes aboute: With fundrie playes and Christmasse games, & seare and shame away, [leaf 48] The tongue is fet at libertie, and hath no kinde of stay. All thinges are lawfull then and done, no pleasure passed by, That in their mindes they can deuise, as if they then should die: 288 The chiefest man is he, and one that most deserueth prayse, Among the rest that can finde out the fondest kinde of playes. On him they looke and gaze vpon, and laugh with lustie cheare, Whom boyes do follow, crying foole, and fuch like other geare. 292 He in the meane time thinkes himselfe a wondrous worthie man, Not mooued with their wordes nor cryes, do whatfoeuer they can. Some fort there are that runne with staues, or fight in armour fine, Or shew the people foolishe toyes, for some small peece of wine. 296 Eche partie hath his fauourers, and faythfull friendes enowe. That readie are to turne themselves, as fortune list to bowe. But some againe the dreadfull shape of deuils on them take, And chase such as they meete, and make poore boyes for feare to quake. Some naked runne about the streetes, their faces hid alone, With visars close, that so disguisde, they might be knowne of none. Both men and women chaunge their weede, the men in maydes aray, And wanton wenches dreft like men, doe trauell by the way, 304 And to their neighbours houses go, or where it likes them best, Perhaps vnto some auncient friend or olde acquainted ghest, Unknowne, and speaking but fewe wordes, the meate deuour they vp That is before them fet, and cleane they fwinge of euery cup. Some runne about the streets attyrde like Monks, and some like kings, Accompanied with pompe and garde, and other stately things. Some hatch yong fooles as hennes do egges with good and speedie lucke, Or as the Goose doth vse to do, or as the quacking ducke. Some like wilde beaftes doe runne abrode in skinnes that divers bee Arayde, and eke with lothfome shapes, that dreadfull are to see: They counterfet both Beares and Woolues, and Lions fierce in fight, And raging Bulles. Some play the Cranes with wings & stilts vpright. cranes or apes. Some like the filthie forme of Apes, and some like fooles are drest, Which best beseeme these Papistes all, that thus keepe Bacchus feast.

Barrels of it are

Skrouetide (Shrove Tuesday varies from Feb. to March 9). ls a regular Drinking and feasting go on for 4 days, with cards, mirth, and revels.

Every one does as he likes,

and the best man is he who finds out the silliest

up fights :

e dress like Devils:

some run about naked.

Girls dress like men, and go and feast at neighbours' houses.

Some folk dress up like wild beasts, or

Some carry about a turd on a cushion. [leaf 48, back]

Some make a Guy, and toss him in a blanket.

They dance lewdly.

They tie folk's hands behind their backs, and dance before them, jingling basins.

If there's snow, they pelt one another with snowballs.

Rich men and their families, in waggons with fast horses, and roo jingling bells round their necks, gallop madly thro the streets.

[leaf 49]

This madness goes on up to midnight.

But others beare a torde, that on a Cushion soft they lay, And one there is that with a flap doth keepe the flies away. I would there might an other be an officer of those, Whose roome might serue to take away the scent from euery nose. Some others make a man all stuft with straw or ragges within, Apparayled in dublet faire, and hofen paffing trim: 324 Whom as a man that lately dyed of honest life and fame, In blanket hid they beare about, and ftreightwayes with the fame They hurle him vp into the ayre, not fuffring him to fall, And this they doe at divers tymes the Citie ouer all. 328 I shew not here their daunces yet, with filthie iestures mad, Nor other wanton sportes that on these holydayes are had. There places are where fuch as hap to come within this dore, Though olde acquainted friendes they be, or neuer feene before 332 And fay not first here by your leave, both in and out I go, They binde their handes behinde their backes, nor any difference tho Of man or woman is there made, but Basons ringing great, Before them do they daunce with ioy, and fport in euery streat. 336 There are that certaine prayers have that on the Tuefday fall, Against the quartaine Ague, and the other Feuers all. But others than fowe Onyon feede, the greater to be feene, And Persley eke, and Lettys both, to haue them alwayes greene. 340 Of truth I loth for to declare the foolishe toyes and trickes, That in these dayes are done by these same popish Catholickes: If fnowe lie deepe vpon the ground, and almost thawing bee, Then fooles in number great thou shalt in euery corner see: 344 For balles of fnow they make, and them one at another cast, Till that the conquerde part doth yeelde and run away at laft. No Matrone olde nor fober man can freely by them come, At home he must abide that will these wanton sellowes shonne. Befides the noble men, the riche, and men of hie degree, Least they with common people should not seeme so mad to bee, There wagons finely framde before, and for this matter meete, And luftie horse and swift of pace, well trapt from head to feete 352 They put therein, about whose necke and euery place before, A hundred gingling belles do hang, to make his courage more. Their wives and children therein fet, behinde themfelues do stande, Well armde with whips, and holding fast the bridle in their hande, With all their force throughout the ftreetes and market place they ron, As if fome whirlewinde mad, or tempest great from skies should come. As fast as may be from the st[r]eates, th'amazed people flye, And gives them place while they about doe runne continually. Yea fometime legges or armes they breake, and horse and carte and all They ouerthrow, with fuch a force, they in their course doe fall. Much leffe they man or childe doe spare, that meetes them in the waye, Nor they content themselues to vse this madnesse all the daye: But even till midnight holde they on, their pastimes for to make, Whereby they hinder men of fleepe, and caufe their heades to ake.

But all this same they care not for, nor doe esteeme a heare, So they may have their pleasure still, and foolish wanton geare. 368 The Wednesday next a solemne day, to Church they early go, Ashwednesday (varies from Feb. To fponge out all the foolish deedes by them committed so, 4 to March to), They money giue, and on their heddes, the Priestes doth ashes lay, Priests lay ashes on folk's heads, and wash all And with his holy water washeth all their sinnes away: In woondrous fort against the veniall finnes doth profite this, their sins away with holy water. But still they go on with their Yet here no stay of madnesse now, nor ende of follie is, With mirth to dinner straight they go, and to their woonted playe, And on their deuills shapes they put, and sprightish sonde araye. 376 Some fort there are that mourning go, with lantarnes in their hande, While in the day time Titan bright, amid the skies doth stande: And seeke their shroftide Bachanals, still crying every where, Where are our feastes become? alas the cruell fastes appere. Some beare about a herring on a staffe, and lowde doe rore, They carry abou herring on a Herrings, herrings, flincking herrings, puddings now no more. doggrel rymes; or horse a man, and heave him And hereto ioyne they foolish playes, and doltish dogrell rimes, And what befide they can inuent, belonging to the times. Some other beare vpon a staffe their fellowes horsed hie, And carie them vnto some ponde, or running river nie, That what so of their soolish feast, doth in them yet remayne, May vnderneth the floud be plungde, and washt away againe. Some children doe intife with Nuttes, and peares abrode to play, And finging through the towne they go, before them all the way. In some place all the youthfull flocke, with minstrels doe repaire, And out of every house they plucke the girles, and maydens fayre. 302 Others pull girls And them to plough they straitwayes put, with whip one doth them hit, [leaf 49, back] out, harness em in a plough, Another holdes the plough in hande, the Minstrell here doth fit Amidde the same, and drounken songes, with gaping mouth he sings, Whome foloweth one that fowes out fande, or ashes fondely flings. 306 When thus they through the streetes have plaide, the man that guideth and drive em all Doth drive both plough & maydens through some ponde or river and some stream; fmall: And dabbled all with durt, and wringing wette as they may bee, To supper calles, and after that to daunfing lustilee. 400 and then sup and dance. The follie that these dayes is vide, can no man well declare, Their wanton pastimes, wicked actes, and all their franticke fare. On Sunday at the length they leave, their mad and foolish game, Even on Sunday And yet not io, but that they drinke, and dice away the same. Thus at the last to Bacchus is this day appoynted cleare, Then (O poore wretches) fastings long approching doe appeare: Lent. In fourtie dayes they neyther milke, nor fleshe, nor egges doe eate, For 40 days (Ash-Wensday And butter with their lippes to touch, is thought a trespasse great: 408 Both Ling and saltsishe they deuoure, and sishe of every sorte, Whose purse is full, and such as liue in great and welthie porte: But onyans, browne bread, leekes and falt, must poore men dayly gnaw onions, brown bread and leeks And fry their oten cakes in oyle. The Pope deuisde this law

The Images in Churches are coverd up, and painted cloths shown declaring God's wrath. For finnes, th'offending people here from hell and death to pull, Beleeuing not that all their finnes, were earst forgiuen full.

Yet here these wosull soules he helpes, and taking money fast, Doth all things set at libertie, both egges and flesh at last.

The Images and pictures now are couerde secretie, In euery Church, and from the beames, the roofe and rasters hie Hanges painted linnen clothes that to the people doth declare, The wrath and furie great of God, and times that sasted are.

Then all men are constrained their sinnes, by cruell law to tell, And threatned if they hide but one, with dredfull death and hell. From hence no little gaines vnto the Priestes doth still arise, And of the Pope the shambles doth appeare in beastly wise.

Care Sunday. Passion or Carle Sunday, the 5th in Lent.

[leaf 50]
All folk are
absolvd.
The boys draw a
guy of Death into
the country.

They have 2 guys of Summer and Winter, and make Summer beat Winter.

Palme Sunday (varies from March 15 to April 18).

They set a wooden Ass, ridden by an image, on wheels, before the Church door. Folk bring boughs.

Two lubbers sing that the Image is Christ, and

Now comes the funday forth, of this same great and holy fast, Here doth the Pope the shriuen blesse, absoluing them at last, From all their finnes, and of the Iewes the law he doth alow, As if the power of God had not fufficient bene till now. 428 Or that the law of Moyfes here, were still of force and might, In these same happie dayes, when Christ doth raigne wt heauenly light. The boyes with ropes of straw doth frame an vgly monster here, And call him death, whom from the towne, with prowd & folemne chere To hilles and valleyes they conuey, and villages thereby, From whence they stragling doe returne, well beaten commonly. Thus children also beare with speares, their Cracknelles round about, And two they have, whereof the one is called Sommer flout: Apparalde all in greene, and dreft in youthfull fine araye, The other Winter, clad in mosse with heare all hoare and graye: These two togither fight, of which the Palme doth Sommer get, From hence to meate they go, and all with wine their whiftles wet. The other toyes that in this time, of holly faftes appeare, I loth to tell, nor order like, is vied euery wheare.

Here comes that worthie day wherein, our fauior Christ is thought, To come vnto Ierufalem, on affes shoulders brought: When as againe these Papistes fonde, their foolish pageantes haue, With pompe and great folemnitie, and countnaunce wondrous graue. A woodden Affe they haue, and Image great that on him rides, But vnderneath the Affes feete, a table broade there flides, Being borne on wheeles, which ready dreft, and al things meete therfore The Affe is brought abroade and fet before the Churches doore: The people all do come and bowes of trees and palmes they bere, Which things against the tempest great, the Parson coniures there, And straytwayes downe before the Asse, vpon his face he lies, 453 Whome there an other Priest doth strike with rodde of largest fife; He rifing vp, two lubbours great vpon their faces fall, In ftraunge attire and lothfomely, with filthie tune they ball: Who when againe they rifen are, with stretching out their hande, They poynt vnto the woodden knight, and finging as they ftande Declare that that is he that came, into the worlde to faue, 460 And to redeeme fuch as in him their hope affured haue:

And even the same that long agone while in the streate he roade, The people mette, and Oliue bowes so thicke before hym stroade. This being foung, the people cast the braunches as they passe, Some part vpon the Image, and some part vpon the Asse. Before whose feete a wondrous heape, of bowes and braunches ly, This done, into the Church he strayght, is drawne full solemly: The shauen Priestes before them marche, the people follow fast, Still striuing who shall gather first the bowes that downe are cast: 468 For falfely they beleeve that these, have force and vertue great, Against the rage of winter stormes, and thunders flashing heate. Are Idoles worshipt otherwise, are these not wicked things? Euen I my selfe haue earst behelde, both wise and mightie Kings 472 Defilde with this religion vile, that on their knees have kneelde, Unto these stockes, and honour due to God, to them did yeelde. In some place wealthie Citizens, and men of sober chere For no small summe doe hire this Asse, with them about to bere, 476 And manerly they vie the same, not suffering any by, To touch this Asse, nor to presume vnto his presence ny For they suppose that in this thing, they Christ doe highly serue, And well of him accepted are, and great rewardes deserue. 480 If any man shall happe to thinke, them Asses here in this, I fure beleeue he is not much deceyude, nor thinkes amis. When as the Priestes and people all haue ended this the sport, The boyes doe after dinner come, and to the Church refort: 484 The Sexten pleased with price, and looking well no harme be done, They take the Asse, and through the streetes, & crooked lanes they rone, Whereas they common verses sing, according to the guise, The people giuing money, breade, and egges of largest cise. Of this their gaines they are compelde, the maister halfe to giue. Least he alone without his portion of the Asse shoulde line.

From Thurseday then till Easter come, the fondest toyes have place Wherin these cathlikes think themselues, great men of wondrous grace First three dayes space the belles are wilde, in silence for to lie, When from the toppes of hawtie towres, with clappers lowd they crie. The boyes in euery streat doe runne, and noyses great they make, While as in calling men to Church their wooden clappers shake. 496 Thre nightes at midnight vp they rise, their Mattens for to heare, Appoynted well with clubbes and staues, and stones in order theare: The Sexten straightwayes putteth out the candles speedely, And straight the Priest with rustie throte, alowde begins to cry. 500 Then furious rage begins to spring, and hurlyburly rise, On pewes and deskes and seates they bounce, & beate in dredfullwise: Thou wouldst suppose they were possest, with sprightes and deuills all, Or fury such as forceth them, that vpon Baccus call. Some beaten downe with clubbes and staues, amongst the pewes do ly And others almost brainde with stones, or wounded mortally. Well ferues the darckenesse for these deedes, and thereto doth agree, 508 The fashions like of enery one, that thus enraged bee.

the people cast their boughs on the Image.

[leaf 50, back]
The Ass is
drawn into the
church, and folk
pick up the
boughs to protect them from
storms.

(Some rich men hire this Ass and take it about with em.)

After dinner boys drag the Ass about the streets, and get money and eggs for it; half of which goes to the Priest.

Maundy
Thursday
(Day before
Good Friday).
For 3 days the
bells are still,
and then rung
lowdly. 3 Midnight services
are held in
Church, the
lights are put
out, and a
regular shindy
follows,
[leaf 51]

men being beaten and wounded.

Then candles are lighted, and a lantern's hung round an image's neck,

The Bishop's oil and glasses are blest, and the altar-cloths washt.

The Monks make their Maundy, and wash each other's

Then they take to loaf and pot.

[leaf 51, back]

Good friday (varies from March 22 to April 25). 2 Priests lay the Image of the Crucifix on Turkey carpets, and worship this wooden God.

The simple folk bring gifts, sweet to the poll-shorn

Here wicked Iudas all to torne, with vile reproches lies, And Marie in the darcke is calde vpon with childish cries. That she be mercifull and helpe, and heale the faultes that bee, And through hir powre deliuer them, from hurt and miferee. 512 These things vnto these feastes belonges, the candles being light, An Image fastned to a crosse is caried all vpright: A lanterne rounde about his necke, is hangde to flew the way, 516 Are not these popish foolish toyes, a pretie kinde of play? This day the oyle and glaffes of the Bishop hallowed bee, And twife three times faluting them, he lowly bendes his knee. The Cannons after doe the fame, with laughter wouldst thou faint, And woonder farre to fee them make, their speechelesse glasse a faint. Their dinner done, from th'aultar all their coftly clothes they take, And wash it, rubbing it with bowes, and bromes that they doe make: Then water on they powre and wine croffwise there on they lay, And to the patron of ech aultar, humbly doe they pray, 524 That they vouchfafe to looke vpon theyr feruaunts worshipping, And to aswage the furie great, of *love* the thundring King. And here the Monkes their maundie make, with fundrie folemne rights And fignes of great humilitie, and wondrous pleafaunt fights. Ech one the others feete doth wash, and wipe them cleane and drie, With hatefull minde, and fecret frawde, that in their heartes doth lye As if that Christ with his examples, did these thinges require, And not to helpe our brethren here, with zeale and free defire, 532 Ech one fupplying others want, in all things that they may, As he himselfe a seruaunt made, to serue vs euery way. Then strait the loaues doe walke, and pottes in euery place they skinke Wherewith the holy fathers oft, to pleafaunt damfels drinke, 536 And fure with no diffembling heart, for true as fteele they bee,

And often times they put in proofe their great fidelitee. Two Priestes the next day following, vpon their shoulders beare, The Image of the Crucifix, about the altar neare: Being clad in coape of crimozen die, and dolefully they fing At length before the steps his coate pluckt of they straight him bring, And vpon Turkey Carpettes lay him downe full tenderly, With cushions vnderneath his heade, and pillowes heaped hie: Then flat vpon the grounde they fall, and kiffe both hande and feete, And worship so this woodden God, with honour farre vnmeete. Then all the shauen fort falles downe, and followeth them herein, As workemen chiefe of wickednesse, they first of all begin: 548 And after them the fimple foules, the common people come, And worthip him with divers giftes, as Golde, and filuer fome: And others corne or egges againe, to poulshorne persons sweete, And eke a long defired price, for wicked worship meete. 552 How are the Idoles worshipped, if this religion here Be Catholike, and like the spowes of Christ accounted dere? Befides with Images the more, their pleafure here to take. And Christ that every where doth raigne, a laughing stocke to make,

The Priests dress and bring an image of An other Image doe they get, like one but newly deade, With legges stretcht out at length and handes, vpon his body spreade: And him with pompe and facred fong, they beare vnto his graue, Christ. His bodie all being wrapt in lawne, and filkes and farcenet braue, 560 The boyes before with clappers go, and filthie noyfes make, Boys make The Sexten beares the light, the people hereof knowledge take: And downethey kneele, or kiffe the grounde, their handes helde vp abrod And knocking on their breaftes they make, this woodden blocke a God. And least in graue he shoulde remaine, without some companie, 565 The finging bread is layde with him, for more idolatrie: Singing bread is laid with the The Priest the Image worships first, as falleth to his turne, image in the And franckensence and sweete perfumes, before the breade doth burne: grave; With tapers, all the people come, and at the barriars stay, Where downe vpon their knees they fall, and night and day they pray: And violets and euery kinde of flowres about the graue flowers are strewn about it They straw, and bring in all their giftes, and presents that they have. and Dirges The finging men their Dirges chaunt, as if some guiltie soule [leaf 52] Were buried there, that thus they may, the people better poule. sung. On Easter eue the fire all, is quencht in euery place, Easter ene. And fresh againe from out the flint, is fetcht with solemne grace: All fires are put The Priest doth halow this against great daungers many one, A brande whereof doth euery man with greedie minde take home, 578 keep off storms. That when the fearefull storme appeares, or tempest blacke arise, By lighting this he safe may be, from stroke of hurtfull skies: A Taper great, the paschall namde, with musicke then they blesse, The Paschal Taper is burnt 582 And franckensence herein they pricke, for greater holynesse: day and night. This burneth night and day as figue, of Christ that conquerde hell, As if so be this foolish toye, suffiseth this to tell. Then doth the Bishop or the Priest, the water halow straight, Water is made That for their baptisme is reserved: for now no more of waight Is that they vide the yeare before, nor can they any more, Yong children christen with the same, as they have done before. With woondrous pompe and furniture, amid the Church they go, With candles, crosses, banners, Chrisme, and oyle appoynted tho: 590 Nine times about the font they marche, and on the faintes doe call, marches 9 times round the font, Then still at length they stande, and straight the Priest begins withall, and the Priest And thrife the water doth he touche, and croffes thereon make, hallows the Here bigge and barbrous wordes he speakes, to make the deuill quake: And holfome waters conjureth, and foolishly doth dresse, Supposing holyar that to make, which God before did blesse: And after this his candle than, he thrusteth in the floode, And thrife he breathes thereon with breath, that stinkes of former foode: And making here an ende, his Chrisme he poureth therevpon, The people staring hereat stande, amazed euery one: Beleeuing that great powre is given to this water here, By gaping of these learned men, and such like trifling gere. Therefore in vessels brought they draw, and home they carie some.

Against the grieues that to themselues, or to their beastes may come.

Folk carry some

Then Clappers ceasse, and belles are set againe at libertee, fasting is over. And herewithall the hungrie times of fasting ended bee. Easter day. At midnight then with carefull minde, they vp to mattens ries, [leaf 52, back] The Clarke doth come, and after him, the Priest with staring eies: 608 The Image and the breade from out the graue (a worthie fight) They take the buried Image They take, and Angels two they place in vesture white, out of the grave, And rounde about ech place appeeres, all voyde of standers by Saue onely that the watchmen there, amazed feeme to ly. 612 But yet I thinke the trembling of the earth they neuer fee, Nor of the heauenly meffenger, the flaming maieftie. put another on the Altar, and sing 'Christ is risen.' An other Image of a Conquerour they forth doe bring, And on the aultar place, and then, they luftily doe fing, 616 That Gates of hell a funder burft, and Sathan ouerthrowne, Christ from his graue is risen vp, and now aliue is knowne. Which yet they thinke not fo to be, as plainely doth appeare, By their Religion, doubtes, and feare, and by their doings here. Pageants are playd by maskers: as the 3 Maries at the Sepulchre. In fome place folemne fightes and fhowes, & Pageants fayre are playd, With fundrie fortes of maskers braue, in straunge attire arayd, As where the Maries three doe meete, the fepulchre to fee, And Iohn with Peter swiftly runnes, before him there to bee. 624 These things are done with iefture fuch, and with fo pleafaunt game, That even the grauest men that live, woulde laugh to see the same. Feasting begins at midnight. At midnight ftrait, not tarying till the daylight doe appeere, Some gettes in flesh, and glutton lyke, they feede vpon their cheere. They rost their flesh, and custardes great, and egges and radish store, And trifles, clouted creame, and cheefe, and whatfoeuer more At first they list to eate, they bring into the temple straight, That fo the Prieft may halow them with wordes of wondrous waight. Friars and Priests get fees. The Friers befides, & pelting Prieftes, from house to house doe roame. Receyuing gaine of euery man that this will have at home. Some raddish rootes this day doe take before all other meate, Radishes are eaten against the quartan ague. Against the quartan ague and such other sicknesse great. 636 What should I shew their forced fayth and great hypocrifie, When as of Chift they doe receyue the dredfull mifterie? Which they ne woulde if that they fearde not lightnings of the Pope, Papists don't believe in life by For none of them beleeueth here, nor none of them doth hope That they receyue eternall life, and euerlasting seate, Christ alone. By death of Iefus Christ, and by his crosse and triumph great. For who should teache to them the same, since every Popes decree, Their doctrine, fayth, and all their rightes, to this contrarie bee? 644 [leaf 53] Straight after this, into the fieldes they walke to take the viewe, Then folk fall to their old life And to their woonted life they fall, and bid the reast adewe: Go nowe and laugh the Iewes to fcorne, and all the Turkes that bee, For fayth, religion, lawes, and life, and their Idolatree. Sure wondrous wife and good they be, if that thou wilt compare Them with these doltish Papistes here, that blinde and beaftly are. Procession Nowe comes the day wherein they gad abrode, with croffe in hande, (Rogation To boundes of euery field, and round about their neighbours lande:

as they go, they fing and pray to euery faint aboue, to our Ladie specially, whom most of all they loue. en as they to the towne are come, the Church they enter in, looke what faint that Church doth guide, they humbly pray to him, t he preserve both come and fruite, from storme and tempest great, them defend from harme, and fend them store of drinke and meat. done, they to the Tauerne go, or in the fieldes they dine, 659 ere downe they fit and feede a pace, and fill themselues with wine, nuch that oftentymes without the Crosse they come away, miserably they reele, till as their stomacke vp they lay. fe things three dayes continually are done, with folemne sport, h many Crosses often they vnto some Church resort, ereas they all do chaunt alowde, wherby there streight doth spring, awling noyfe, while euery man feekes hyghest for to fing: Priestes give eare, this madnesse them doth most of all content, wine to them that passe the reast, is from the Parson sent. hen comes the day when Christ ascended to his fathers seate, ich day they also celebrate, with store of drinke and meate n euery man some birde must eate, I know not to what ende, l after dinner all to church they come, and there attende. blocke that on the aultar still, till then was seene to stande, rawne vp hie aboue the roofe, by ropes, and force of hande: Priestes about it rounde do stand, and chaunt it to the skie, all these mens religion great, in singing most doth lie. n out of hande the dreadfull shape of Sathan downe they throw, times with fire burning bright, and dasht a funder tho, boyes with greedie eyes do watch, and on him straight they fall, beate him fore with rods, and breake him into peeces small. 680 done, they wafers downe doe cast, and singing Cakes the while, h Papers rounde amongst them put, the children to beguile. h laughter great are all things done: and from the beames they let at streames of water downe to fall, on whom they meane to wet. I thus this folemne holiday, and hye renowmed feast, l all their whole deuotion here, is ended with a least. In Whitfunday, whyte Pigeons tame, in strings from heaven flie, l one that framed is of wood, still hangeth in the skie. 688 ou feeft how they with Idols play, and teach the people to, ne otherwise then little gyrles with Puppets vse to do. 'hen doth ensue the solemne feast of Corpus Christi day o then can shewe their wicked vse, and fonde and foolish play? hallowed bread with worship great, in filuer Pix they beare 693 out the Church, or in the Citie passing here and theare. armes that beares the same, two of the welthiest men do holde. I ouer him a Canopey of filke and cloth of golde re others vie to beare alouse, least that some filthie thing uld fall from hie, or some mad birde hir doung thereon should fling. iftes passion here derided is, with fundrie maskes and playes, e Ursley with hir maydens all, doth passe amid the wayes: SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES

Sunday is the 5th after Easter Day.) Bounds are

Then folk dine and drink at the tavern or in the fields

This lasts 3 days.

Ascention day (varies from April 30 to June 3).

Birds are eaten (as ascenders). The Image on the Altar (p. 336), is heavd above the roof. One of Satan is thrown down, and broken to

[leaf 53, back]

Water is let fall on people below.

Whitsunday (varies from May to to June 13). White Pigeons are flown.

Corpus Christi day (Thursday after Trinity Sunday, May 17 to June 20). Hallowd bread is borne about the Church under a canopy.

Plays of Christ's Passion are 700 acted; of Ursula

and her Virgins; St. George and the Dragon,	And valiant George, with speare thou killest the dreadfull dragon her The deuils house is drawne about, wherein there doth appeare A wondrous fort of damned sprites, with soule and searefull looke; Great Christopher doth wade and passe with Christ amid the brook	
St. Sebastian,	010 611 66 0 10 0 0 11 11 61 11 61	
St. Katherine,		0
St. Barbara,	There walketh Kathren with hir fworde in hande, and cruell wheel	le.
and other	The Challis and the finging Cake, with Barbara is led,	ı,
Pageants.	That pleate the foolish people well: what should I stande vpon, Their Banners, Crosses, Candlestickes, and reliques many on, Their Cuppes and carued Images, that Priestes with countrance hie,	
2000000	Or rude and common people beare about full folemlie?	12
St. John walks	Saint Iohn before the bread doth go, and poynting towardes him,	
before the Hallowd Bread.	Doth shew the same to be the Lambe that takes away our sinne:	
	On whome two clad in Angels shape, do sundrie flowres sling,	
	A number great of facring Belles, with pleasant sounde doe ring. 71	16
[leaf 54]	The common wayes with bowes are strawde, and euery streete besid	le.
	And to the walles and windowes all, are boughes and braunches tide	e.
	The Monkes in enery place do roame, the Nonnes abrode are fent,	
	The Priestes and schoolemen lowde do rore, some vie the instrument	4
Strangers fall on	The straunger passing through the streete, vpon his knees doe fall: 72	
their knees to it-	And earneftly vpon this bread, as on his God doth call.	-
	For why, they count it for their Lorde, and that he doth not take	
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Armd men keep	A number great of armed men here all this while doe stande,	24
order, and look out for thieves,		
	To looke that no diforder be, nor any filching hande:	
	For all the Church goodes out are brought, which certainly would be	
	A bootie good, if euery man might haue his libertee.	Į.
O	This bread eight dayes togither they in presence out do bring,	
Organs play, folk fall on their	The Organs all do then refound, and prieftes alowde do fing:	
faces, the Bread is lifted up, &c.	The people flat on faces fall, their handes helde vp on hie,	
is inted up, ecc.	Beleeuing that they fee their God, and foueraigne maiestie.	32
	The like at Maffe they doe, while as the bread is lifted well,	
	And Challys shewed aloft, when as the Sexten rings the bell.	9
	O bleffed God, why fuffrest thou such wickednesse to raigne,	ú
	And bringst them not into the steppes of fathers olde againe, 73	,6
	Whereof they do fo often boaft? yet fo vnlike them be,	
	That doctrine, faith, nor life with theirs, doth any whit agree.	
	In Villages the hufbandmen about their corne doe ride,	
Priests ride	With many Croffes, Banners, and fir Iohn their Prieft befide: 74	10
thro' the corn, and read the	Who in a bag about his necke doth beare the bleffed breade,	•
Gospel to keep off storms.	And oftentyme he downe alightes, and Gospell lowde doth reade.	
	This furely keepes the corne from winde, and raine, and from the blaf	t:
	Such fayth the Pope hath taught, and yet the Papistes holde it fast:	
	Not taken from the Gospell, nor the worthie doctors olde, 74	- 73
	But from the minde of man, and from blinde reason mistresse bolde.	13
Saint Vrban	Straight after this comes Vrban in, the Vintners God deuine,	
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(May 25).	Whose day if that it pleasant be, and Sunne abrode do shine, 74	ıR

Good lucke to them they count it then, and Bacchus holinesse, His Image and his Church they decke, and curiously do dresse, About his necke both cups and bowles they hang in order rounde, And fast vpon his head a crowne of vinie leaues is wounde. Then him to Tauerne doe they bring, or to some tipling house, With lustie traine, and vnto him they quaffe and drinke carrouse: Who for bicause he pledges none, as one that is not drie, In his behalfe they pledge themselues, and that so handsomly, Till mystes before their eyes appears, and legges do waxe full weake, Their face doth flame, their head doth nod, & scarce a word they speake. But if the day be clowdie nowe, or giuen vnto raine, On him they lift not to bestow such honour, nor such paine, Poore knaue into some ryuer than, they cast him cruellie, And all to-fouse him in the streame, or durtie let him lie. And if this madnesse be not such, as may be laught at well, What thing should mooue vs for to laugh, I surely can not tell.

The next is Vitus fodde in Oyle, before whose ymage faire, Both men and women bringing hennes for offring do repaire: The cause whereof I doe not know, I thinke for some disease, Which he is thought to drive away from such as him do please.

Then doth the joyfull feast of John the Baptist take his turne, When bonfiers great with loftie flame, in euery towne doe burne: And yong men round about with maides, doe daunce in euery streete, With garlands wrought of Motherwort, or else with Veruain sweete, And many other flowres faire, with Violets in their handes, Whereas they all do fondly thinke, that who foeuer standes, And thorow the flowres beholds the flame, his eyes shall feele no paine. When thus till night they daunced haue, they through the fire amaine At night they With striuing mindes doe runne, and all their hearbes they cast therin, And then with wordes deuout and prayers, they folemnely begin, 778 Defiring God that all their illes may there confumed bee, Whereby they thinke through all that yeare, from Agues to be free. Some others get a rotten wheele, all worne and cast aside, Which couered round about with strawe, and tow, they closely hide: And caryed to some mountaines top, being all with fire light, They hurle it downe with violence, when darke appeares the night:

Resembling much the Sunne, that from the heavens downe should fal, A straunge and monstrous fight it seemes, and searefull to them all: But they suppose their mischieses all are likewise throwne to hell, And that from harmes and daungers now, in safetie here they dwell. Wherefoeuer Huldryche hath his place, the people there brings in,

Both Carpes, and Pykes, and Mullets fat, his fauour here to win. 790 Amid the Church there fitteth one, and to the aultar nie, That felleth fish, and so good cheepe, that euery man may buie: Nor any thing he loseth here, bestowing thus his paine, For when it hath beene offred once, t'is brought him all againe, That twife or thrife he selles the same: vngodlinesse such gaine Doth still bring in, and plentiously the kitchin doth maintaine.

He's the Vint-ners' God, and has cups and bowls hung round his neck. 752 They drink [leaf 54, back] to him till they're

But if it's a bad day, they shy him into the

Vitus (June 15). Hens are offerd to him. Why?

Iohn Baptist (June 24). Bonfires burn youths and girls dance all day with flowers in

Others run a wheel stufft with blazing straw and tow, down a mountain.

[leaf 55]
Saint Huldryche
(Ulric, July 4).
Fish are offerd
to him. A man sits near the altar, and sells the same fish over and over again to the offerers.

Whence comes this fame religion newe? what kind of God is this Same Huldryche here, that so desires, and so delightes in fishe?

Which neuer any heathen God, in offring did receaue,
Nor any thing vnto the Iewes the Lorde hereof did leaue.

Much folly and iniquitie, in euery place they shewe,
But we the chiefest will declare, and write but of a fewe.

The bleffed virgin Maries feaft, hath here his place and time, Wherein departing from the earth, she did the heauens clime: Great bundels then of hearbes to Church, the people fast doe beare, The which against all hurtfull things, the Priest doth hallow theare. Thus kindle they and nourish still, the peoples wickednesse, 807 And vainely make them to believe, whatsoeuer they expresse: For fundrie witchcrafts, by these hearbs ar wrought, & divers charmes, And cast into the fire, are thought to drive away all harmes, 810 And every painefull griefe from man, or beast, for to expell,

Farre otherwise than nature, or the worde of God doth tell.

To belly cheare yet once againe doth Martin more encline,
Whom all the people worshippeth, with rosted Geese and wine:
Both all the day long and the night, now ech man open makes
His vessels all, and of the Must oft times the last he takes,
Which holy Martyn afterwarde, alloweth to be wine,
Therefore they him vnto the skies extoll, with prayse deuine:

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And drinking deepe in tankardes large, and bowles of compasse wide,
Yea by these fees the Schoolemaisters have profite great beside:

For with his fcholers euery one, about do finging go, Not praying Martyn much, but at the Goofe rejoyceing tho, Whereof they oftentymes haue part, and money therewithall, For which they celebrate this feaft, with fong and muficke all.

822

Saint Nicholas money vide to giue to Maydens fecretlie,
Who, that he still may vie his woonted liberalitie
The mothers all their children on the eeue doe cause to fast,
And when they euery one at night in senselesse fleepe are cast:
Both Apples, Nuttes, and peares they bring, and other things beside,
As caps, and shooes, and petticotes, which secretly they hide,
And in the morning found, they say, that this saint Nicholas brought:

Thus tender mindes to worship Saints and wicked things are taught.

What should I tell what Sophisters, on Cathrins day deuise?

Or else the superstitious toyes that Maisters exercise.

834

To Andrew all the louers, and the luftie wooers come,
Beleeuing through his ayde and certaine ceremonies done,
(While as to him they prefentes bring, and coniure all the night)
To haue good lucke, and to obtaine their chiefe and fweete delight.

The dedication of the Church is yerely had in minde,
With worship passing Catholicke, and in a wondrous kinde:
From out the steeple hie is hangde, a Crosse and banner fayre,
The pauement of the temple strowde, with hearbes of pleasant ayre,
The Pulpets and the aultars all that in the Church are seene,
And every pewe and piller great, are deckt with boughes of greene:

Assumption of the Virgin Marie (Aug. 15). Folk bring bundles of Herbs to Church, to be blest by the priest. These serve as charms.

Martyn (Nov. 11). Roast geese are eaten, and wine drunk.

Schoolmasters go about singing with their boys.

[leaf 55, back] Nicholas (Nov. 13). Mothers hide gifts in their children's shoes, &c., and say St. Nicholas brought em.

(Nov. 25).

Andrew (Nov. 30). All Lovers court him.

Church holyday. The anniversary of each church's dedication.

The church is deckt with boughs.

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full of Pardons

for every one

who'll buy em.

Harlots and their Bastards

come; and all

the neighbours armd; trim

fleaf s61

youths and

maidens, jesters, pedlers, and pots of drink.

grand feasting

nd suppers go

Then the young folk dance,

Lovers buy their

weethearts

are playd. The Priest is

head reveller,

and looks after

Drunkards.

fairings.

too,

abernacles opned are, and Images are dreft, hiefly he that patron is, doth shine about the rest: rde there standes wheron their Bulles and pardons thick they lay, 848 giuen are to euery one that keepes this holy day: Idoll of the Patron eke, without the doore doth stande, beggeth fast of euery man, with pardons in his hande: for bicause he lackes his tongue, and hath not yet the skill mmon peoples languages, when they speake well or ill: ath his owne interpretor, that alwayes standeth by, vnto euery man that commeth in or out doth cry: ing them the Patrone there, with giftes to haue in minde, Popishe pardons for to buie, release of finnes to finde. Priest doth other Priestes procure, and willeth euery knaue, variot for to bring, and all the swarme of Bastards that they have: uery fide the neighbours come, and fuch as dwell not nere, e of their owne good willes, and some required to be there. 860 euery man his weapon hath, their fwordes, and launces long, r axes, curriars, pystolets, with pykes and darts among. yong men in their best array, and trimmest maydes appeare, Ieasters, Roges, and minstrels with their instruments are heare. Pedler doth his packe vntrusse, the Host his pots doth fill, on the table bread and drinke doth fet for all that will: eyther of them their heape deceyues, for of the others all, nem th'aduauntage of this feast, and gaine, doth chiefly fall. 868 feruice done, they eyther to the tauerne fast doe flie, their neighbours house, whereas they feede vnreasonablie: ixe or feuen courses, they vnto the table bring, 872 for their suppers may compare with any heathen king. table taken vp, they rise, and all the youth apace, Minstrell with them called go to some convenient place: re when with Bagpipe hoarce, he hath begon his Musicke fine, vnto fuch as are preparde to daunce hath given figne, es thither streight both boyes and gyrles, and men that aged bee, maryed folkes of middle age, there also comes to see, vrinckled hagges, and youthfull dames, that minde to daunce aloft, and old hags 1 fundrie pastimes do begin, and filthie daunces oft: 880 n Drunkardes they do lead the daunce with fray and bloody fight, the Drunkards handes, and eares, and head, and face, are torne in wofull plight: freames of bloud runne downe the armes, and oftentimes is seene carkasse of some russian slaine, is left upon the greene. many for their louers sweete, some daintie thing doe buie, many to the tauerne go, and drinke for companie, reas they foolish songs do sing, and noyses great do make: in the meane while play at Cardes, and some the Dice do shake. Cards and Dice r custome also is, the Priest into the house to pull: m when they have, they thinke their game accomplished at full: arre in noyse exceedes them all, and eke in drinking drie cuppes, a prince he is, and holdes their heades that speewing lie,

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When the Priest can't walk, [leaf 56, back] he's carrid home on horseback.

All soulne day (Nov. 2).

Folk give fees to free their parents' souls;

then drink in the tavern, or the Parson's hall, where he talks beastliness.

Churches.

They have Idols, always-flaming lights, &c.

The Turks rightly call em Idolaters.

Funerals.

[leaf 57] The rites are held only for Shavelings' gain, And that with fuch attendaunce good, that often the His flomacke turnes, for which his neighbours like at Whom if the lyquor that he taftes doe hap to handle As on his feeble legges vnto his house he can not go But reele and stagger here and there, as oftentymes is They friendly set him on a horse, and home they car. To shewe their thankfull hearts againe, this Catholike Is alwayes vide vpon this feast, and venerable day.

For foules departed from this life, they also careful The shauen fort in numbers great, thou shalt assemble Where as their feruice with fuch speede, they mumb That none, though well they marke, a worde thereof But foberly they fing, while as the people offring bee For to release their Parents foules that lie in miferee. For they beleeve the fhauen fort, with dolefull harmo Do draw the damned foules from hell, and bring the Where they but onely here regarde, their belly and to And neuer troubled are with care of any foule in pair Their feruice thus in order fing, and payde for Maffe They to the Tauerne streightwayes go, or to the Pari Where all the day they drinke and play, and pots about Whereas these Cathlicke fathers have such lewde and As doutlesse would abhorred be, in any stinking stewe And fuch as any ruffian would, ashamed be to vie. These are their chiefe solemnities, and orders all the Which with the popish fayth in all agreeing doth app And doth declare thou feeft the mindes of these same What vertues great they have, and what religion lyes

The like their temples teach, dreft vp in more than That shines with wicked furniture, before the peoples As Idols, aultars, pictures lewde, with armes of men And Banners, Crosses, burning Lampes, & lightes that Before the Virgins Image fayre, and bread in secret 1 That round about with yron grates, and Chauncell cl That furely not vnworthily the Turkes beleeue and sa The Papistes are Idolaters, and haue no perfite way In seruing God, who yet account themselues affured The very Spouse and Church of Christ, that cannot re

Seeft thou how in their life they doe beleeue, and How doubtfull they? that shauelings seeke their own Regarding not what happe vnto the simple people far For if that any woulde neglect, the woonted funerally Their singing and their roaring vaine, and onely here Himselfe to God, his heyre should be constrained to And punisht fore if any thing herein shall wanting be Of all the toyes that doth belong, to such solemnitee. Thinkst thou they carefull are that soules, the heauer And Purgatorie scape, or rather for their filthie gaine

Appendix. Popular and Popish Customs, A.D. 1553. 343 Some where for children is the like, whom yet they doe confesse, cent children For to be iuft, and innocent, and dye in bleffednesse: parents are Their parentes for their funeralles, constrayned are to pay, Least of the Popish tyranny, should any part decay. No fayth nor perfit godlinesse doth any where appeare But fraude, and craftie coulourings, and such deceitfull geare. Beholde againe their prayers and the bookes they occupie, Wherewith to God, and to the faintes, they pray continually: And to the Angells vie the like: which supersticious kinde, They doe not reade with any sprite, or zealousnesse of minde: with zeal, only No cause prouoketh them to praye, this onely them assinde, To babble much, for otherwise woulde want no wordes nor minde, Ne shoulde they neede so many prayers, appoynted them to say, Nor thus to tire their weeried tongue, with mumbling all the day. and mumbled Likewise before the heapes of bones, prepared for the same They stande, and to the spirits and soules in graue, they prayers frame: And for their good estate they pray, that measure none they know, Of foolishnesse, nor wicked deedes doe euer ceasse to flow: 958 To Church they come with beades of bone, or of some other thing, Papists have Rosaries of box Whose middles pierced through are tide, and joyned with a string: beads on a Thus fastned, fiftie Rosaries, they still account the same, And thrife so many Pfalters they accustomde are to name. With these vnto our Ladie, and to God, and to his saintes, and count their They number all their babling wordes, and all their tedious plaintes. babblings by em So that they number onely feeke, not caring for the minde: That woman holyest is by much, and of deuoutest kinde, The holiest woman is she who has beads Whose beades vnto hir soote doe reach, and eake whose maydens so Dreft vp with hir in like attire, vnto the Church doe go. [leaf 57, back] Besides for Charmes and Sorseries, in all things they excell, Both Dardan and the Witches foule, that by Mæotis dwell. The reason is, that yet to trust in God they have no skill, Nor will commit themselues vnto th'almightie fathers will. If any woman brought abed, amongst them haps to lie, When a woman brought to bed, Then euery place enchaunter lyke, they clense and purifie: they purify the For feare of sprightes least harme she take, or caried cleane away, Be stolne from thence, as though she than in greatest daunger lay, When as hir trauailes ouerpast, and ended well hir paine, With rest and sleepe she seekes to get, hir strength decayde againe. The like in trauailes harde they vie, and mariages aswell, And eke in all things that they buy, and euery thing they fell. About these Catholikes necks and hands, are alway hanging charmes, Charms hang That serue against all miseries, and all vnhappie harmes: Papist's neck. Amongst the which, the threatning writ of Michael maketh one, And also the beginning of the Gospell of Saint Iohn: But these alone they doe not trust, but with this same they have, Theyr barbrous wordes, & crosses drawne with bloud, or painted braue. Crosses dra They swordes enchaunt, and horses strong, and flesh of men they make

So harde and tough, that they ne care, what blowes or cuttes they take

keep men from hurt by bows,

They shut up spirits in crystal as charms.

Holydayes.
Folk dress fine, and walk in the streets or the fields.

Others drink as long as they can stand. [leaf 58]

Few go to church.

After dinner they play at ball, and wrestle,

or fence.

Others play cards, or backbite.

All drink.

No Sunday is without a drunken fray.

Some court girls,

dance, and go further.

Stewer.
The Papist
Priests keep

And viing Necromancie thus, them selues they safely keepe, 989
From bowes, or guns; & from the woolues their cattell, lambes & sheepe:
No iourney also they doe take, but charmes they with them beare;
Besides in glistering glasses fayre, or else in christall cleare
They sprightes enclose, and as to Prophets true, so to the same
They go, if any thing be stolne, or any taken lame,
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And when theyr Kine doe give no milke, or hurt, or bitten fore, Or any other harme that to these wretches happens more.

Now last behold how they do keepe, their sabboth daies throghout, First in the morning finely drest, they iet the streetes about:

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With garments fondly iagde and cut, and prowde and lofty pace,
And rappres long about them girt, their great and chiefest grace.
Some others walke into the fieldes, or else at euery gate,
They talke and laugh, and thus begin the day to celebrate.
An other fort togither come, and drinking hande to hande,
They quaste so long, till none of them be able for to stande:
Yea oftentimes they in their seates, with drinke are strangled quight,
And yeelding vp their dronken ghostes, doe bid their mates godnight.
But sew of them doe care for Masse, though euery one doe saye,

And thinke it holiest is, nor to the Church they go to praye: 1008
But eyther breakefastes long they make, at home when they arise,
Or drinke vntill the euening starre, begin to shine in skies.
Or else before the Church doore prate, or in the marketsted.
Now when their dinner once is done, and that they well haue fed,
To play they go, to casting of the stone, to runne, or shoote, 1013

To toffe the light and windie ball, aloft with hande or foote: Some others trie their skill in gonnes, some wrestle all the day, And some to schooles of sence do go, to gaze vpon the play: An other sort there is that doe not loue abroade to roame, But for to passe their time at cardes, or tables still at hoame: Some vse to sit before their doores, and backbite every man,

Or newes deuife, or fome debate, and ftrife whereas they can.
The God of wine doth neuer want, in all their fportes and play,
Who when he once hath toucht the braine, & drawne the minde away,
Of enery worde arifeth blowes, their manhoode to affay,

So that no funday shalt thou see, without some dronken fray. And thus of custome endeth still, this solemne sessional, With dronkennesse, a plague vnto the braine and members all. To Ensong are they called straight, by towling of the bell, But from their place they list nor stirre, being occupied so well: They forwarde with their game doe go, and Church and service all, Commit vnto the schoolemaisters, or Vicar generall.

Some others to their Ladies fues, being amorous all the while, Or frame deceytes or fubtilties, yong maydens to beguile, The wanton youth to daunfing goes, and wickedly doe draw,

The maydes in ring, and wantonnesse hath neyther bondes nor law.

And least the youth their pleasure full of whoredome should not take,
In euery Citie common stewes, they maintaine and they make:

And Bawdes they fuffer openly, and cherish them withall, Brothels and Bawds, in every Of whome no slender price doe here receyue nor profit small: city. These Catholickes and holy men, and Church of Christ on hie, The fame that all the worlde reforme, and heritiks destroy. To these doe come all those whom here their filthie lust prouokes, Both countrie men, and forriners, and poore and welthie folkes. 1042 Brothels come all Whatfoeuer they be that have not yet, the yoake of mariage tride, unmarrid folk. No kinde of shame doth drive them hence, nor any care beside. For lawfull here they doe it see, and not to be dispisse, But with the Popish fort to be, an exercise deuisde. 1046 Sometime it also haps, that maried men doe here resort, If any marrid ones are caught But not without their punishment, if once the youthfull fort there, they get thrasht. Perceyue that they doe thither come, for this they dearely pay, And oftentimes are vsed ill, and beare the blowes away: 1050 But at this same the rulers laugh, and nothing doe it waye, For Papistes, whordome doe alow, and count it but a playe. For of the polshorne Priestes they learne, and them they follow still, That lawes are not of any force to remedie this ill: The lawe Scatinian is extinct, and Iulian laught at now, The Papistes, every kinde of vice, and wickednesse alow: Panists allow every kind of And not alonely in themselves, they doe the same permit, But also vnto all that lift, with Golde to purchase it. But here I faine woulde vnderstande, what straunge Apostle hee, What Apostle That gaue vnto the Christian fort, this wanton libertee? said they could take the hire of That where they freely might enioye, and haue them openlye, whores, and yet be servants of God? And they themselves to take the hier of beastly letcherye? And notwithstanding this to be true Catholickes in fine, The perfit feruants here of God, and Church of Christ deuine? Of their religion, life, and deedes, learne thou their fayth at full, That they with emptie shadow thee not into errour pull. This was the guise of Corynth great, and Cyprus eke of olde, While darcknesse raind, and Sathan soule, his scepture there did holde: Their excuse is, that men 'ud But with a worthie cloake they couer now this whoredome vile, Least that the youth should happe both maydes and matrons to defile. maidens. Who would not muse to see the witte of these same catholickes, Their sharpe inuentions, and deuise, in all their proper trickes? This thing coulde Moyses not perceyue, that all things else did see, Who wilde that whoremongers shoulde none among the people bee: 1. Cor. 5. 6. And banishte all the harlottes quight, as God did him aduise, 1076 7. 10. Nor Paule it saw being lifted vp, aboue the starrie skies: Heb. 13. [lf. 59] Who did forbid that any man, his members framde of right, Gal. 5. To be the dwelling place of Christ, and of the holy spright: Ephe. 5. Should vnto Harlots giue, and make the same thereby to be, 1. Thes. 4. 1080 The body of a hore, this staine and blot commaunded he To be excluded farre from faintes, and fuch as christned be. But they have nothing for to doe, with Moyses nor with Paule, Papists don't care for Moses or Nor any honest things they will obey, nor lawes at all. Paul: they pardon Themselues they pardon and forgiue, dispensing wondrouslye, themselves.

1084 As men that onely here poffeft the keyes of heauen hye. I many things doe ouer paffe, nor have they every where, Their customes like, for every realme hath his deuised gere: Yea both in Cities great, and in the villages thereby, 1088 There are that doe fuch doltish dreames, defende maliciously, That quight contrary are to Christ, and to religion right, Which neyther canft thou eafily knowe, nor well in verse refight. Now when these Popish lothsome limmes, by no meanes we can see

But if we say these Papists are not members of Christ,

In life nor in their trauaile here, the limmes of Christ to bee, Nor can in anye wife imbrace, the fonde religion vaine, And shamefull orders to the worlde, of God contrarie plaine, Nor doctrine of fo wicked fayth, to Christian people giue, But rather as the Apostles teach, doe simply seeke to liue, 1096 Rejecting toyes and mans deuice, as which we furely know To be detefted of that Prince, that lightnings downe doth throw: We here are called Heritykes, and worthie thought to bee, Of halter, fworde, confuming fire, and ech extremitee. 1100 We punisht are, our houses sealde, or from our countrie farre

we're calld Heretics, and punisht or banisht,

and lose our goods.

We banisht be, or else opprest at home with civill warre: Whereas the dreadfull Souldiour doth confume, and cleane denours, The goodes that here hath gotten bene, by toyle and paine of ours.

Tho' they see they can't stand against God's word and light.

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they won't con-fess they've errd.

but hate us Reformers, and pour out our

These things these Catholikes attempt, when in so many yeares, By scriptures sure they cannot plant, this foolish fayth of theirs: Nor ours with scriptures ouerthrow, that now they seeke to make The Prince of hell and Christ to joyne in one, and partes to take. For (all ashamde) they plaine perceyue, that long they cannot stande, With this religion and this life, if once doe come in hande, The worde of God, the heauenly light, and that abrode doe thine, The twelue Apostles doctrine, and that blessed court denine. Nor good it feemeth yet to them (fuch is their wifdome hie,) To graunt that they have erd in any thing or gone awrie. For thame it is that learned men, and fuch as famous bee, For Mitars and for Crofiar staues, amongst the Christiantee Christ nor the Apostles fayth to know, that perfit is and just, But to be ledde with dreames of men, whome none may fafely truft. From hence proceedeth all their griefe, and all their cruell hate, That with effusion of our bloud, they stablish their estate: 1120 And will not here be pacified by any other meanes, Except we do alow and like, their lewde and monftrous dreames:

It's often been agreed that Papist and Protestant should keep his own faith, but

Oft hath it bene agreed that eyther part shoulde freely vse Their owne religion, feruing God as best they list to chuse: 1128 And neyther part the other for to trouble or moleft, With warres or bookes, that Germany might line in peace or reft.

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And altogither runne in one, like flockes for company, To false and wicked worshippings, and vile idolatry:

And knowledge them for Lordes of fayth, and rulers of vs all, Although they teache no doctrine of the King celeftiall.

on't be tru

If we take arms to protect our-

Gospel's Turkish,

and they hell-ishly defame its

Pre

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The Papists

persuade men to ersecute us.

for Christ, but only to claim

that they are

are Turks and Moors.

The Pop

But Papistes can no peace abide, continually they write, And both with wordes, and wretched deedes, most cruelly doe bite: Not onely vs, which might (perhaps) be well enough endurde, But also Gods most holy worde, and gospell here assurde. 1134 If tumults on our partes arise, or any great ado, Or if our men doe armour take, being forced therevnto, And by the law of armes doe burne, and spoyle their enimie, Papists say it's the Gospel's fault, declare the And take the pillage of their foes, immediately they crie: The wicked Gospell worketh this, beholde in what a plight These fellowes live, the Deuill brought this Gospell first to light: It Turkish is, and not the same, that Luke wrought long ago: And spightfully they slaunder it, with many raylings mo: 1143 As if that any Preacher here, did euer this alow, Or any did by worde of Christ, such crueltie auow. They know full well themselves that none of ours did ever teache, To vse such violence, nor this vnto the people preache: Yet with their vile infective tongues, and mouthes envenemde tho, With poyfon that in hellish lakes, and Stygian streames doth flo, The Gospell of the Lorde they doe, most spightfully defame, And herewithall the Ministers and Preachers of the same. But who can Princes gouerne here, or any meanes deuise, To keepe them in, from vsing force against their enimies? Why doe they not as well diswade their Catholikes, and blame Them for their force and crueltie, that doe the very same? 1154 And boldely euery where destroy, and euery man molest, Yea even their very friendes at home, that faine woulde live at reft. What kinde of Gospell teache those men, that even openly With bitter wordes and bookes perswade men to such cruelty? Are these to any man vnknowne? doth Fraunce and Italy 1159 Not openly declare the fame, and plainely testify? Do not the pulpettes of the Pope, perswade this martiall might, And pardons every man by finnes that in their quarrell fight? 1162 But fure the wallet them beguiles, that hanges behinde their backe, And better others faultes they see, than what themselues doe lacke: Accounting here for catholickes, themselues and all their traine, And others all as heritickes, and wicked people plaine: 1166 Wherefore the chiefest members of this holy popish state, Their cerimonies and their dayes, they yearely confecrate. Their foolish fayth and beastly life, I openly doe showe, That all the worlde may vnderstande, and every man may know, That neyther Christ nor perfit fayth, they any whit doe way, But onely seeke to looke aloft, and boldely for to say, That they the booke of Peter are, and holy Catholickes, And we vnhappie castawayes, and cursed heritickes. But wherein are they Catholickes? bicause they follow here The truth? but what they follow and believe, doth plaine appere. So it is that in number they and countries vs excell, So mayst thou both the Turkes and Mores, call Catholickes as well.

Let all true men see how right we've been in giving up this Popish faith!

Herewith I judge that euery man, that hath an vpright heart, Doth vnderstande how iust our cause hath beene for to depart From this their monftrous fayth, and from their lewde ydolatree, And for to shonne these populh members all of ech degree: As men that neyther Christ doe know, nor euer seeke to finde, Nor fuffer fuch as woulde, but keepe them still in darcknesse blinde.

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Superstitions about Storms. Compare part of The thirde Booke,

Belles

are rung against storms and thunder.

Ratio, divino,

A Bell [leaf 42] nam'd Mary, that said it put thunder and spirits to flight.

Candles are also lighted, and Holy Palms us'd, against

Other folk sit out in the open air.

Others hide in caves.

Where then is their trust in Christ?

Are these 'Catholics,' that defend them-selves by Bells and such humbug? The Heathens did the same.

leaf 41, bk, 42:--

If that the thunder chaunce to rore, and stormie tempest shake, A woonder is it for to fee the wretches howe they quake, Howe that no fayth at all they haue, nor truft in any thing. The Clarke doth all the Belles forthwith at once in Steeple ring, With wondrous found, and deeper farre, than he was woont before, Till in the loftie heauens darke, the thunder bray no more. For in these Cristned belles they thinke, doth lie such powre & might, As able is the tempest great, and storme, to vanquish quight. I sawe my selfe at Numburg once, a towne in Toring coast, A Bell that with this title bolde, hir felfe did prowdly boaft, "By name I Mary called am; with found I put to flight The thunder crackes, and hurtfull flormes, and euery wicked fpright." Such things when as these Belles can do, no wonder certainlie It is, if that the Papistes to their tolling alwayes flie, When haile, or any raging storme, or tempest comes in fight, Or thunder boltes, or lightning fierce, that euery place doth fmight: Befides, they Candles vp do light, of vertue like in all, And Willow braunches hallow, that they Palmes do vie to call. This done, they verily beleeve, the tempest nor the storme, Can neyther hurt themselues, nor yet their cattell, nor their corne. But fome there be, and not a few, that dare not well commit Their liues to this, but vnderneath the starres they seeke to fit; For there (they fay) the lightning can no kinde of creature fmight, Nor fall vpon the feeble corfe of any fearefull wight.

When as they heare the roring found, and rumbling in the skie. Where here appeares the confidence, and trust vnto the hiest? And hope in all aduerfitie cast wholy vpon Christ? 28 Where doe they here commit themselues, and all that they possesse, Vnto the will of God, as in theyr wordes they do expresse? Are not these Papistes, Catholikes, and men appoynted well, That are defended in the stormes, by founde of brasen Bell? And steps of stayres, and braunches burnt, with flames encompast round, And Candels light, and Caues, & dennes made vnderneath the ground? Such Gods, and fuch defenders here, the heathen woont to haue. To whom, in all their daunger they did flie, themselues to faue. 36

There are, that hide themselues in Caues, and vnder ground do lie,

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&c. And also that "amongest"

† A Looking Glasse for Englande. Wherein these enormities and foule abuses may most euidentlie be seene, which are the destruction and ouerthrow of euery Christian Common-wealth. London, 1500, is a disappointing book, as being only an englishing of an "old tract in S. Cypr. de 12 abusionibus seculi" (MS. note on title), and containing nothing special on England, tho' it was the "dailie and hourlie looking glasse" of "noble Fraunces, Earle of Bedforde," and its englisher "long did trauaile to gette a copie of this famous worke." sign. (iji.). The 12 Abuses are: 1. A wise man without works; 2. An olde man without deuction and godlie feare; 3. A women man without obedience: 4. A rich man without charitie; 5. A woman without young man without obedience; 4. A rich man without charitie; 5. A woman without shamefastnesse; 6. A Maister or a Ruler without vertue; 7. A Christian man full of brawling and contention; 8. A poore man proude; 9. A wicked and an vniust King; 10. A negligent Bishop; 11. A people without discipline; 12. A people without Law The treatment of all is quite general.

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† Huloet has a good compound of Barley: 'Barley bunne gentleman, whyche is by circumlocution meaned by suche ryche nigardes as lyue wyth barley breade, or otherwise hardlye. Hordiarius, ij.'

Mr. Haweis's declaration that the Sabbatarian Ring must be broken up has been echoed with remarkable boldness by the Rev. Robert Eyton, at the annual meeting of the West London District Church Union. This gentleman discussing the subject of Sunday Recreation, said:—"I allow, at the little institute under my management, bagatelle, draughts, dominoes, &c., to be played on Sunday afternoons, after my Bible-class is over. I fail to see any line to be drawn between such harmless diver-

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1 "If I see my brother sinne, I may betwene hym and me rebuke him, and damne his deede."—Tyndale (1573), f. 144.

"O see witles men of galathie who deceyuede 30u for to not bileue to the treuhe bifore whos yaen iesu crist is dampnyde (or exilde)."—Epistle to the Galatians, cap. iii, 6, Pickering's Rp. of Wycliffe's Test. (1858).

"Agayne in some partes of the lande theis seruying men (for so be thies damned and the servery of the management of the lande their servery men to be the servery and the laboration of the lande their servery men to be the servery and the laboration of the lande their servery men to be the servery and the laboration of the lande their servery men to be the servery and the laboration of the lande their servery men to be the servery and the laboration of the lande their servery men to be the ser

persons called) do no common worke, but as euery private man nedeth laborours, so he cometh into the markette-place, and there hiereth some of them for meate and drynke, and a certeyne limityd wayges by the daye, sumwhaat cheper then he shoulde hire a free man."—Sir T. More's Utopia, trans. by Raphe Robinson, 1551, sig. D. vi, verso .-- R. Roberts.

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+ Huloet says under 'Alume . . whereof benefitire kyndes . . . The lin Zucharinum made wyth alume relented, rosewater, and the white of Egges, lyke a Suger lofe, the whiche, harlottes and strumpettes do communely vse to paynte their faces and visages wyth, to deceaue menne; but God graunte they deceaue not them selues.'

I Next the entry of Udal's Rauf Ruyster Duster (Ralf Roister Doister) in the Stationers' Register for 22 July 1566-7, is "Recevyd of thomas hackett for his lycense for the pryntinge of a playe intituled farre fetched and Deare bowght ys good for lad[i]es." Arber's Transcript, i. 331.

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† Fleas.—Matthew Grove (Collier's Bibl. Cat. i. 344) gives the following humourous recipe for flea-bane in his "most famous and Tragicall Historie of Pelops and Hippodamia. Whereunto are adjoyned sundrie pleasant devises, Epigrams, Songes and Sonnettes, 1587:" (Written 4 years before. A copy at Bridgewater House, Hazlitt's Handbook).

"A perfect tricke to kill little blacke flees in ones chamber."

"Take halfe a quart of barly graine,
A quart of strongest beere,
And boyle withall in earthen pot
A pint of water cleere,
Till all these three consumed be
To ounces twelve or lesse,
And then the place to which you will
These fleas in heaps to presse,

Anoynt with that; this water hath,
In it this verture raw,
That all the fleas will thither come.
Then take a slender strawe,
And tickle them on the small ribs,
And when you see one gape,
Thrust then the straw into his mouth,
And death he ne shall scape."

The last Yankee one I've heard of, is a shilling packet, 'not to be opend till wanted for use.' When opend, it shows a little squares of wood, with the direction, 'Place the flea on one block, and press the other closely to it. Instant death will ensue.'

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† Garde, purfle, or trayle of anye garment, or it may be sayde, any bourders or trayles fynely wrought with small pieces fastened thereto, be it mettall or tymber: Or

it may be esteemed, that sorte of garde or welte whyche, besides the garde, is edged with a small lace, flatte or round vpon the garde, Segmentum; and that whiche is also garded, purfied, traysed, dressed, edged or trimmed, is sayde, Segmentatus, a, um.' 1552. R. Huloet. Abcedarium.

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"If anie person shall in the time of comon prayer, or of the sermon, on the Lords

daie, or other holie daie, keepe open his shoppe, or at all on the Lords daie sell anie wares, except it be such as must necessarilie be had, he is to be punished accordinge to the statute."—From the Cecil Papers in the 27th Volume of the Lansdowne Col-

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"It is a woonder more than ordinary to beholds there previous of sunday colleges."

"It is a woonder more than ordinary to beholde theyr periwigs of sundry collours, theyr paynting potts of perlesse perfumes, theyr boxes of skibber sauce, the sleaking of theyr faces, theyr strayned modesty, and theyr counterfayte coynesse. In so much that they rather seeme Curtyzans of Venyce then matrones of Englande, monsters of Ægypt then modest maydens of Europe, inchaunting Syrens of Syrtes then diligent searchers of vertue: these inchauntments charme away theyr modesty, and entrap fooles in folly; bewitcheth themselves wyth wanton wyles, and besotteth other with these bitter smyles."—Collier's Bibl. Cat. i. 28.

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‡ "I was alone among a Coach full of women, and those of the Electors Dutchesse Chamber forsooth, which you would have said to have been of the blacke guard. It was a Comedy for me to heare their discourse; now declaiming against Caluenists, now brawling together, now mutually with teares bewailing their hard fortunes: and they fel into all these changes, while the wind blew from one and the same quarter. Is anything lighter than a woman?" 1617. Fynes Moryson. Itinerary, p. 13.

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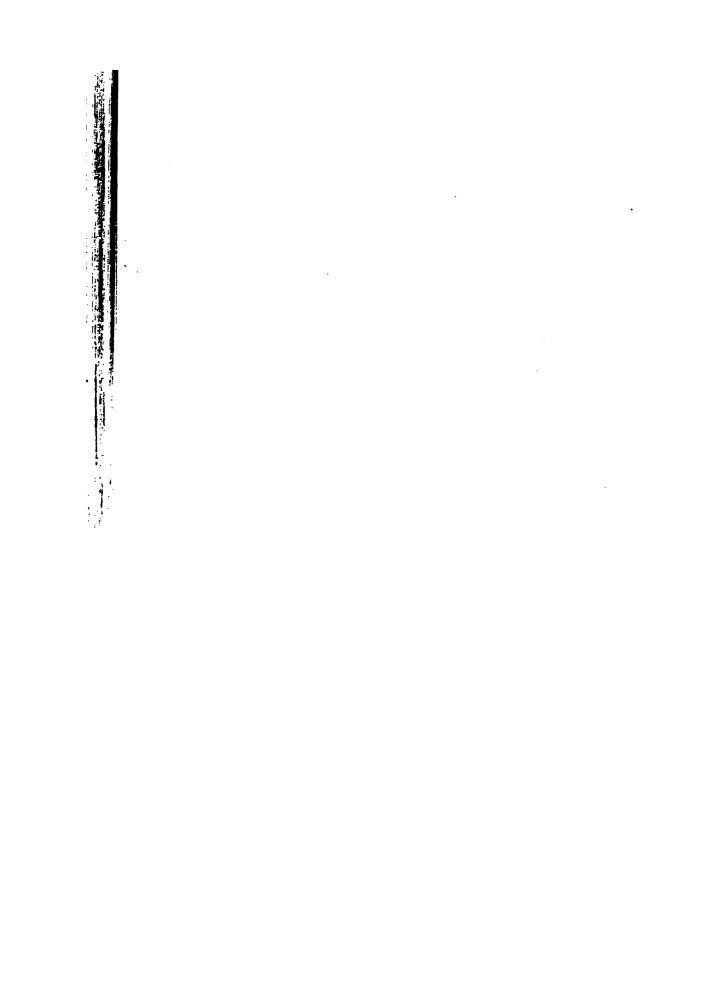
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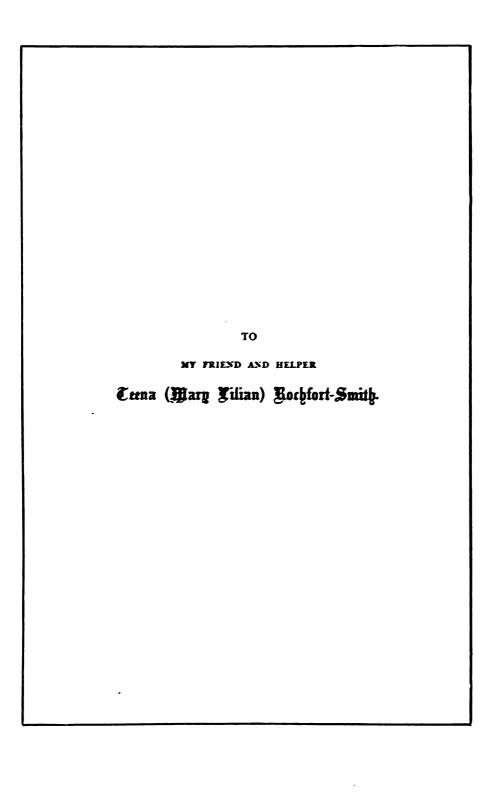
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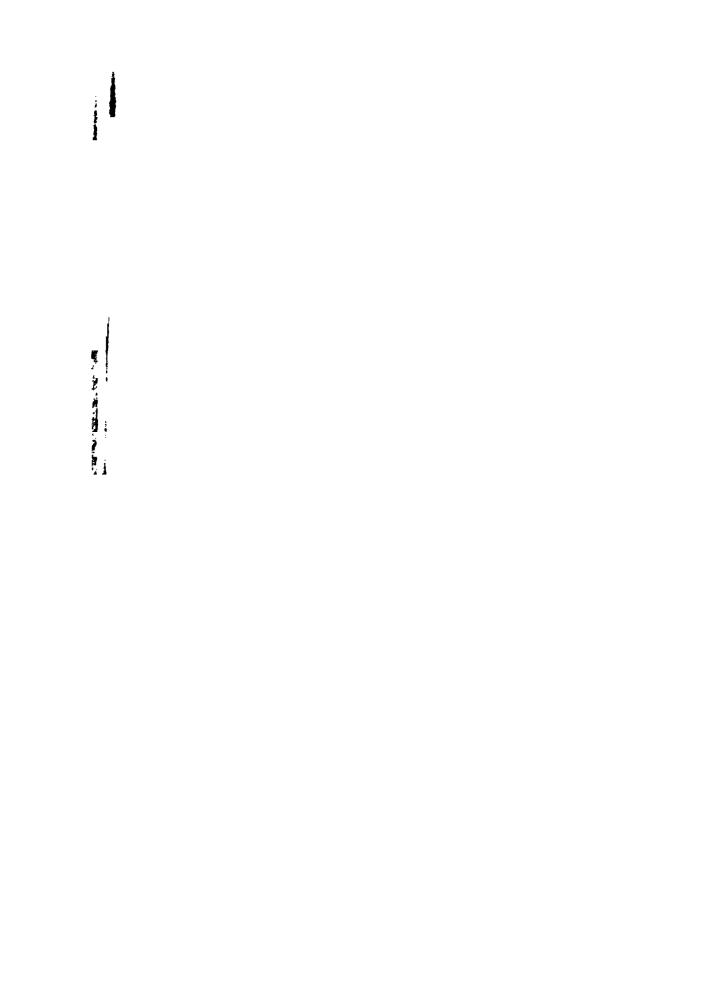
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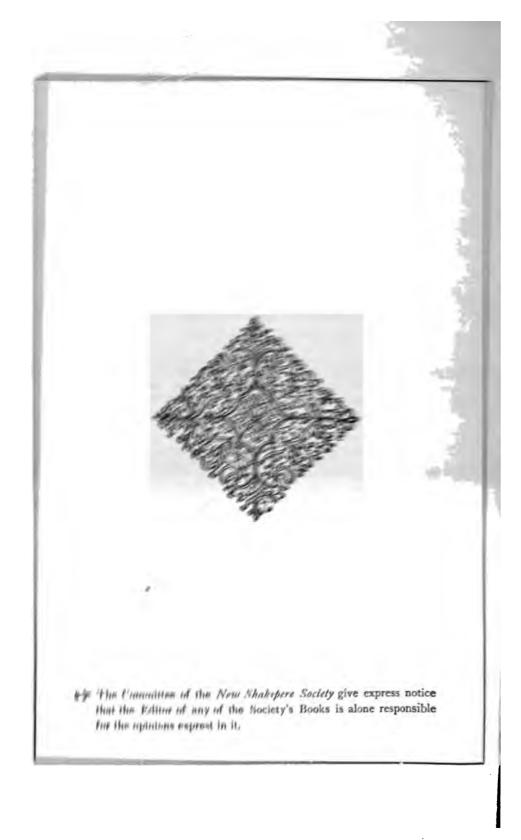
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There is a copy of Stubbes's Motive to good Workes, 1593 (see Forewords to Anatomic, Part I, p. 67°), in Emmanuel College, Cambridge.—W. C. Hazlitt. Bibliog. Collections and Notes, 2nd Series, 1882. I hope we may be able to print it some day in our Shahspere's England Series.

Anthony Stapley, of Framfield, Sussex, grandfather of "Anne Stapley, 9 years olde, ao 1634," had for his 4th wife a "widow of Mr. Stubbes, but no issue." Harl. MS. 6164 (Visitation of Sussex, 1634), lf. 22, bk.



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- § 2. In proof that Stubbes was not inventing the Abuses of which he complaind, I've thought it right to make some extracts from the Statutes and a Proclamation of Queen Elizabeth, and the Statutes of James I, 1. on the corrupt Presentations to Scholarships and Benefices; 2. on the tricks of Clothiers; 3. the bad work of Tanners and Shoemakers; 4. the thefts and evils (which we still know so well) arising from the wrongly-named 'Brokers'—our Pawnbrokers and Marine-Store Dealers;—and 5. from the practice of Regrating. As of old, I quote mainly the words of the Statutes. Any one who finds em too long and tedious, will skip em.
- (I.) A.D. 1588-9, 31 Eliz. chap. VI. "An acte against Abuses in Election of Scollers and presentacions to Benefices."

"Whereas by the intent of the Founders of Colledges, Churches Collegiat, Churches Cathedrall, Scoles, Hospitals, Halles, and other like Societies within this Realme, and by the Statutes and good Orders of the same, the Eleccions, presentacions and Nominacions of Fellowes, Schollers, Officers and other Persons to have roome or place in the same, are to be had and made of the fittest and most meete persons beinge capable of the same Eleccions, presentacions, and Nominacions, freelye without anye Rewarde, Guyfte, or thinge given or taken for the same; And for true performaunce whereof, some Ellectors, Presentors and Nomynators in the same, have or should take a Corporall Oathe to make their Eleccions, Presentacions and Nominacions accordinglye; Yet notwithstandinge it is sene and found by experience that the saide Eleccions, Presentacions and Nominacions be many tymes wrought and brought to passe with Monye, Guyftes and Rewardes, whereby the fyttest persons to be presented, elected or nominated, wanting Money or Friendes, are sildome or not at all preferred, contrarie to the good meaninge of the saide Founders, and the saide good Statutes and Ordynaunces of the saide Colledges, Churches, Scholes, Halles, Hospitalls and Socyeties, and to the great prejudice of Learning and the Common Wealthe and Estate of the Realme: For Remedye whereof, Be it enacted "—that all Elections effected by Bribery of any kind shall be void, and that the Queen or other Presenter shall appoint fresh persons to the void Offices. § 2 enacts that any one bribing to procure the resignation of a Fellowship or Office, shall lose the place, and that the Resigner accepting the bribe shall forfeit double its value.

§ 4 declares Simoniacal Presentations to Benefices, Dignities, &c. void; and that the Presentations shall devolve to the Crown, both Briber and Bribee paying a fine of double the amount of

the Bribe.

§ 5 fines any one corruptly instituting a man to a Benefice, double the yearly value of it; declares the Institution void, and empowers the Patron to present some one else.

(II.) As to Cloth, the 35 Eliz. c. 10, A.D. 1592-3, recites the Queen's Proclamation of the year before "for the Reformacion of thinsufficiencies growen in the Clothes called Devonshire Kersies or Dozens,"—cloths "of late marvailouslie discredited by the Invencions and newe Devises of the Weavers, Tuckers, and Artificers"—and "forbiddinge all other Deceiptes in Weaving, and all dymynishinge and unreasonable drawinge, stretchinge, and other Deceiptes in Tuckers," and then enacts that the Cloths shall be properly made, of good wool, and "without rackinge, stretching, streyning, or other Devise to increase the Lengh therof."

In 1597-8 "An Acte aginst the deceitfull stretching and taintering of Northerne Cloth," 39 Eliz. c. 20, is passt, because "the said Northern Clothes and Karsies doe yeerely and daylie growe worse and worse, and are made more light and muche more stretched and strayned... which great Enormities your faythfull Subjectes doe chieflye impute to the great nomber of Tenters and other Engins daylie used and practized in the said Counties for the stretchinge and strayninge of the said Clothes and Karsies." So the Act forbids this stretching, and puts a penalty of £20 on any one who

"shall have use or occupie any Tenter, of what sorte or kynde soever, or any manner of Wrinche, Rope, or other Engins to stretch or strayne any Clothes, Kersies, Dozens, Penystones, Rugges, Frises, Cottons, Kighley Whites, Plaine Grayes, or any other Clothes" made within the said Counties. (By the next-quoted Statute this Act is extended to all English Cloths.)

§ 2. Stubbes's complaints of Clothiers and Tanners. xv†

The abuse stretching over other Cloth Districts, and adulteration also prevailing, in 1601 "An Acte for the true workinge and making of Wollen Clothe" was past, saying that the former Acts "for the true makinge and workinge of Wollen Clothe" had been

"frustrated and deluded by strayninge, stretchinge, wante of weighte, Flocks, Sollace, Chalke, Flower, deceitfull things, subtill sleightes and untruethes, soe as the same Clothes beinge put in Water are founde to shrincke rewey, pursey, squallie, cocklinge, baudy, lighte, and notablie faultie, to the great dislike of forraine Princes, and to the hynderance and losse of the buyer and wearer."

It is therefore enacted that

"no persone or persons shall put any Haire, Flocks, Thrummes or Yarne made of Lambes Wooll, or other deceivable thinge or things into or upon any broade Woollen Clothe, Half Clothe, Kersey, Frize, Dozen, Pennystone, or Cotton, Taunton Clothe, Bridgewater, Dunston Cotton... or other Clothe... upon paine to forfeit every suche Cloth... And that no persone... shall... have use or occupye... any Tenter, Instrumente, Engine, or other Device... with any lower Barre, Pynne, Ringe, or other Engine or Device... wherebie... any rough and unwroughte Woollen Broad Clothe, Halfe Clothe, Kersey, Cotton, Dozen, Pennystone, Frize, Rugge... shall or may be stretched or strayned in breadthe," under a penalty of £20.

- (III.) The Statute 1 James I. chapter 22 (A.D. 1603-4), not only confirms Stubbes's complaints about Leather-sellers, but also names another fault of theirs:—
- § x. "Much dammage hath redounded to the Common Wealthe by reason that divers Tanners for theire private lucre have used to convert to Sole Leather suche Hides as are altogether insufficient for that use, which Hides they doe raise in the workemanshippe by divers Mixtures, therebie making the same to seeme verie stronge and substantiall Leather, whereas the same doeth in the wearinge proove hollowe, deceitfull, and altogether unprofitable for the Common wealth,"—and enacts that all such raizd and converted Hides shall be forfeited.
- ¹ Compare in A.D. 1592-3, the 35 Eliz. ch. 8. "An Acte againste deceitfull making of Cordage": the makers of 'Cables, Halsers and other kinde of Cordage' made em of 'oulde, caste, and overworne' stuff, tarrd em, and sold em as new, whereby not only Ships of the Queen and her Subjects "but also the Lyves of diverse of her saide Subjectes have bene loste, perished and caste awaye."

xvi† § 3. Stubbes's complaints against Tanners.

About the not-enuf tand Leather with which Stubbes finds fault on p. 36, the Statute says (1 Jac. 1, c. 22, 1 A.D. 1603-4. Record Statutes, vol. iv. Pt. 2, p. 1041):

§ xii. "... if any person or persons usinge, or which shall use, the Misterie or Facultie of Tanninge, shall at any tyme or tymes hereafter offer or put to sale any kinde of Leather which shalbe insufficientlie or not throughlie tanned, or which shall not then have beene, after the tanninge thereof, well and thorowlie dried, so that the same by the Triers of Leather lawfullie appointed accordinge to this present Acte for the tyme beinge shalbe founde to be insufficientlie or not throughlie tanned, or not throughlie dried, as aforesaide, that then all and everie suche person and persons so offendinge shall forfeite and loose so much of his or theire said Leather as shalbe soe founde insufficientlie and not throughlie tanned, or not throughlie dryed as aforesaide . . ."

Then, as to what Stubbes says of the Tanners taking "vp their hides before they bee halfe tanned," the Statute goes on in § xiii:

"And whereas divers Tanners, for greedines of gaine, doe overmuch hasten the tanning of their Leather, and for that purpose doe use divers craftie and subtile Practises, sometimes layinge theire Leather in theire Fattes set in theire old Tanhils, where it may be tanned in the hott Woozes, takinge unkinde heate in the same Hill, and sometimes by putting of hot Woozes into their Tanne Fats where the same Hides or Leather lie, by which and other like Fraudulent Practises they make theire Leather to seeme bothe faire and well, and sufficientlie tanned within a very short space.2 For Reformation whereof, be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, That after the saide Feaste of St. Bartholomew next comminge, no person or persons shall sett their Fattes in Tanhils or other Places where the Woozes or Leather that shall be put to tanne in the same, shall or may take any unkinde heates, or shall put any Leather into any hotte or warme Woozes, or shall tanne any Hide, Calve Skinne or Sheep Skinne, with any hote or warme Woozes whatsoever, upon paine that everie person so offendinge shall forfeite for everie such Offence, Tenne Poundes; And shall also, for everie such Offence, stand upon the Pillorie three severall Markett Dayes in the Market Towne next to the Place where the saide Offence shall be committed."

¹ Compare its clauses with those of 5 Eliz. ch. 8, from which some are, more or less, taken.

² The right time is enacted by § ix: "Nor shall suffer the Hides for utter Sole Leather to lye in the Woozes any lesse tyme then Twelve Moneths at the leaste, nor the Hides for upper Leathers in the like Woozes any lesse time than Nyne Monethes at the leaste. . "

The Shoemakers, and their selling Horse hide for Ox-hide, &c. (p. 37, Stubbes), are dealt with in § XXIII. (p. 1043).

And forasmuch as Leather well tanned and curried, may, by the Negligence, Deceite, or evill Workmanshippe of the Cordwainer or Shoemaker, be used deceitfullie, to the hurte of the Occupier or Wearer thereof: Be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, That no person or persons which, after the saide Feast of St. Bartholomew next comminge, shall occupie the Misterie or Occupation of a Cordwainer or Shoemaker, shall make or cause to be made any Bootes, Shoes, Buskins, Startups, Slippers, or Pantofles, or any parte of them, of Englishe Leather, wet curried (other then Deere Skinnes, Calve Skinnes, or Goate Skinnes, made or dressed, or to be made or dressed like unto Spanish Leather) but of Leather well and truelie tanned and curried, in manner and forme aforesaid, or of Leather well and truelie tanned onelie, and well and substantiallie sewed with good Threed well twisted and made, and sufficientlie waxed with waxe well rosoned, and the stitches harde drawen with Hand Leathers, as hathe bene accustomed, without mixinge or minglinge Overleathers, that is to say, parte of the Overleathers beinge of Neates Leather, and parte of Calves Leather, nor shall put into anie parte of anie Shooes, Bootes, Buskins, Startups, Slippers, or Pantofles, any Leather made of a Sheepe Skinne, Bull Hide or Horse Hide, nor into the upper Leather of any Shooes, Startups, Slippers, or Pantofles, or into the neither [nether] parte of any Bootes (the inner parte of the Shooe onlie excepted) any parte of any Hide from which the Sole Leather is cutte, called the Wombes, Neckes, Shancke, Flancke, Powle, or Cheeke, nor shall put into the utter Sole any other Leather then the beste of the Oxe or Steere Hide, nor into the inner Sole any other Leather than the Wombes, Necke, Poll, or Cheeke, nor in the Treswels of the double soled Shooes, other then the Flancks of any the Hides aforesaide: nor shall make or put to sale in any yeere, betwene the laste of September and the twentieth of Aprill, any Shooes, Bootes, Buskins, Startups, Slippers or Pantofles, meete for any person to weare exceedinge the age of foure yeeres, wherein shall be any drie English Leather (other than Calve Skinnes or Goate Skinnes made or dressed, or to be made or dressed like unto Spanishe Leather, or any parte thereof); nor shall shew, to the intent to put to sale, any Shooes, Bootes, Buskins, Startups, Slippers or Pantofles upon the Sunday; upon paine of forfeiture for everie paire of Shooes, Bootes, Buskins, Startups, Slippers and Pantofles made, solde, shewed or put to sale contrary to the true meaninge of this Acte, three shillinges and fourepence, and the juste and full value of the same."

(IV.) Against the evil of miscald 'Brokers'—really our Pawnbrokers and Marine-Store Dealers—buying stolen goods, and thus xviii† § 3. Stubbes's complaints against Brokers.

inciting folk to pilfer, which Stubbes condemns on p. 38-40, an Act was past twenty years later:-

I James I, chap. 21 (A.D. 1603-4; p. 1038). "An Acte againste Brokers." This Act recites that "of large and ancient tyme by divers hundred yeeres . . certaine Freemen of the Citie " of London had been appointed "to be Brokers within the saide Citie and Liberties of the same, and have taken theire Corporall Oaths before the saide Mayor and Aldermen from tyme to tyme . . to use and demeane themselves uprightlie and faithfullie betweene Merchant Englishe and Merchant Strangers and Tradesmen, in the contrivinge, makinge, and concluding, Bargaines and Contractes to be made betweene them concerning their Wares and Merchandizes to be bought and solde and contracted for within the Citie of London, and Moneys to be taken up by Exchange betweene such Merchant and Merchantes and Tradesmen, and these kinde of persons so presented, allowed, and sworne to be Brokers as aforesaide, have had and borne the name of Brokers, and bene knowen, called, and taken for Brokers, and dealinge in Brokerage or Brokerie, who never of any ancient tyme used to buy and sell Garmentes, Houshold stuffe, or to take Pawnes and Billes of Sale of Garmentes and Apparell, and all thinges that come to hand for Money, laide out and lent upon Usurie, or to keepe open Shoppes, and to make open Shewes, and open Trade, as now of late yeeres hathe [bene] and is used by a number of Citizens assuminge unto themselves the name of Brokers and Brokerage, as though the same were an honeste and a lawfull Trade, Misterie, or Occupation, tearminge and naminge themselves Brokers, whereas in trueth they are not, abusinge the true and honeste ancient name and trade of Broker or Brokerage: And forasmuch as many Citizens Freemen of the Citie, beinge Men of Manuall Occupation, and Handicraftesmen and others inhabiting and remayninge neere the Citie and Suburbes of the same, have lefte and given over, and daylie doe leave and give over, their handie and manuell Occupations, and have and daylie doe set up a Trade of buyinge and selling, and taking to pawne of all kinde of worne Apparell, whether it be olde or little the worse for wearinge, Houshold Stuffe and Goods of what kind soever the same be of, findinge therebie that the same is a more idle and easier kinde of Trade of livinge, and that there riseth and groweth [p. 1030] to them a more readie, more greate, more profitable and speedier Advantage and Gaine then by theire former manuall Labours and Trades did or coulde bringe them: And Forasmuch as the said kinde of counterfeit Brokers, and Pawnetakers upon Usurie, or otherwise for readie Money, are growne of late to many Hundreds within the Citie of London, and other places next adjoyninge to the Citie and Liberties of the same, and are like to increase to farre greater Multitudes, being Friperers, and no Brokers, nor exercisinge of any honest and

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lawfull Trade, and within the memorie of many yet livinge, such kinde of persons Tradesmen were verie fewe and of small number: And forasmuch as there are not any Garmentes, Apparell, Housholde Stuffe or other Goods of any kinde, whatsoever the same be of, either beinge stollen or robbed from any, or badlie or unlawfullie purloyned or come by, but these kinde of upstarte Brokers, under colour and pretence they be Freemen of the saide Citie of London, or inhabitinge in Westminster, where they pretende to have the like overt Market, as the Citie of London, and therebie presuminge to be lawfull for them to use and set up the same idle and needlesse Trades, being the verie meanes to uphold, maintaine, and embolden all kind of lewde and bad persons to robbe and steale, and unlawfullie to get and come by true Mens Goods, knowinge and findinge that no sooner the same Goods can be stollen or unlawfullie come by, but that they shall and may presentlie utter, vent, sell and pawne the same to such kinde of new upstart Brokers for readie Money: For Remedie whereof, and for the avoidinge of the saide Mischiefes and Inconveniences, and for repressinge and abolishinge of the sayd idle and needlesse Trades, and upstart Brokers, and for the avoidinge of Theftes, Robberies and Felonies, and bad People, and for the repressinge of such kinde of Nourishers and Ayders of Theeves and bad People, and for the defence of honest and true Mens properties and Interestes in theire Goods: Be it enacted ... That no Sale, Exchange, Pawne or Morgage of any Jewell, Plate, Apparell, Houshold Stuffe, or other Goods . . . that shall be wrongfullie or unjustlie purloyned, taken, robbed or stollen from any person or persons or Bodies Politicke, and which at any tyme hereafter shall be sold, uttered, delivered, exchanged, pawned, or done awaye within the Citie of London or Liberties thereof, or within the Citie of Westminster in the Countie of Middlesex, or within Southwarke in the Countie of Surrey, or within two miles of the saide Citie of London, to any Broker or Brokers, or Pawne takers, by any way or meanes whatsoever, directlie or indirectlie, shall worke or make any change or alteration of the propertie or interest, of and from any person or persons or Bodie Politicke from whome the same Jewels, Plate, Apparell, Houshold Stuffe or Goods were or shalbe wrongfullie purloined, taken, robbed or stollen: Any Lawe, Usage of Custome to the contrarie notwithstandinge."

- § 2 enacts that Brokers and Pawntakers who refuse to produce Goods to the owner from whom they've been stolen, shall forfeit Double the Value of them.
- § 3, that the Act shall not affect those folk 'using and exercising the ancient Trade of Brokers betweene Merchant and Merchant.'
 - (V.) The evil of, and continued struggle of folk and lawmakers

xx† § 2. Queen Elizabeth against Regraters.

against Regrating or Ingrating,—that is, buying-up all the get-at-able Corn or other produce, and then selling it out at a large profit—are so well known that confirmation of Stubbes's complaints is hardly needed; but as the Dearth of 1594-6 has appeard before in our Stafford, p. xiv, and elsewhere with regard to the suppozed date of Midsummer Night's Dream and otherwise, I give here short extracts from Elizabeth's Proclamation of 1596 relating to Regraters, and the duty of continuing Hospitality:—

"BY THE QUEENE.

The Queenes Maiesties Proclamation, 1. For observation of former Orders against Ingrossers, & Regraters of Corne, 2. And to see the Markets furnished with Corne. 3. And also against the carying of Corne out of the Realme. 4. And a prohibition to men of hospitalitie from removing from their habitation in the time of dearth. 5. And finally a strait commandement to all Officers having charge of Forts to reside thereon personally, and no inhabitant to depart from the Sea coast.

➡HE Queenes Maiestie hauing had of late time consideration of great dearth growen in sundry parts of her Realme, idging that the Rich owners of Corne would keepe their store from common Markets, thereby to increase the prices thereof, and so the multitude of her poore people hauing no graine growing of their owne, to susteine great lacke, caused speciall orders to be made and published to all parts of her Realme, in what sort the Iustices of peace peace in euery quarter should stay all Ingrossers, Forestallers, and Regraters of Corne, and to direct all Owners and Farmers having Corne to furnish the Markets ratably and weekly with such quantities as vsually they had done before time, or reasonably might and ought to doe: By which orders, many other things were prescribed to be observed for the staying of the dearth, and reliefe of the people: Yet neuerthelesse, her Maiestie is informed, that in some parts of her Realme the dearth doth not diminish, but rather increase for lacke of due execution of the sayd orders, and specially by the couctousnes of the Owners, forbearing to furnish the Markets, as reasonably they might do, and by secretly selling

In 1598 (May Ao. 40) she granted the sole right to import Starch to John Packington for 8 years.

¹ On July 31, 1596, in consequence of the scarcity of Corn, the Queen issued her Proclamation from Greenwich, forbidding Starch to be made of home-grown Corn, or even from Bran by the holders of the Patent for the manufacture of it from Bran.

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out of their houses to a kinde of people that commonly are called Badgers, at prices vnreasonable, who like wise do sell and regrate the same out of the Markets at very high and excessive prices. For remedy whereof, her Maiestie chargeth all officers to whom the observation of the sayd orders hath bene directed, presently as they have any natural care of their Christian brethren & Countreymen, being in need, to cause all and every part of the sayd orders from point to point to be executed, and the offenders against the same

to be severely punished, to the terrour of others. . .

Finally her Maiestie is particularly informed of some intentions of sundry persons, of abilitie to keepe hospitalitie in their Countreys, to leave their said hospitalities, and to come to the Citie of London. and other Cities and townes corporate, thereby leauing the reliefe of theire poore neighbours, as well for foode, as for good rule, and with couetous minds to liue in London, and about the Citie prinately, and so also in other Townes corporate, without charge of company; for withstanding whereof, her Maiestie chargeth all maner of persons, that shall have any such intention during this time of dearth, not to breake up their housholds, nor to come to the said Citie, or other towns corporate: and all others that have of late time broken vp their housholds, to returne to their houses againe without delay. And whilest her Maiestie had thus determined, for reliefe of her people, to stay all good householders in their Countreys, there is charitable sort to helpe hospitalitie, her Maiestie hath had an instant occasion giuen her to extend her commandement euen for the necessary defence of her Realme . . .

The observation of all which, her Maiesties commandement, is to be performed upon paine of her Maiesties heavie indignation.

Giuen at her Maiesties Mannour of Richmond the second day of Nouember 1596, in the eight and thirtieth yeere of her Maiesties reigne.

God saue the Queene."

§ 3. On the subject of the Relief of the Poor, and Stubbes's reazonable demands on it, I refer the reader to Sir George Nicholls's *History of the English Poor Law* (1854), i. 161—239. Among these reazonable demands I shoud not now include hanging a man who can work and won't; but before Stubbes's time, in 1547, the 1st of Edward VI, chapter 3, enacted that every idle person who ran away from work set him shoud be branded with the letter V, and be adjudgd a slave for 2 years to any person who should demand him; then, if he ran away again, he should be branded in the cheek with the letter S, and adjudgd a

xxii† § 3. Stubbes's changes in the Poor-Laws.

slave for life; and lastly, if he ran away a third time, he was to suffer death as a felon. This act was repeald in 1549-50, by the 3 and 4 Edw. VI, ch. 16; but in 1572-3, measures almost as harsh were re-enacted: beggars and vagabonds were to be grievously whipt, and burnt thro the gristle of the right ear with a hot iron of the compass of an inch about, unless any honest person would take them into service for a year. If he would, and the beggar ran away, then he was to be whipt, and burnt thro the ear; for a second offence to be treated as a felon, unless some honest person would take him into his service for 2 years, and he continued in it; while for a third offence he was adjudgd to suffer death, and loss of land and goods as a felon, without allowance of benefit of clergy or sanctuary. Stubbes was then, in 1583, only asking that the actual law shoud be allowd to take its course, when he wisht that sturdy Beggars who woudn't work, shoud be hangd.

The same Act of 1572-3 orderd 'abiding places' to be provided for the aged and infirm poor, appointed Overseers to raise and apply taxes for their benefit, and sanctioned a rate on richer neighbours in aid of poor parishes who couldn't support their own poor. This legislation was developt by 18 Eliz. ch. 3, A.D. 1575-6, which enacted that a competent stock of wool, hemp, flax, iron, or other stuff should be got, by taxation, to set the poor on work, and if they wouldn't work, they were to be sent to 'houses of correction' and made to work.

After Stubbes wrote in 1583, came the 39 Eliz. chaps. 3 and 4, in 1597-8; 3 for the Relief of the Poor, and 4 for the Punishment of Rogues, Vagabonds and Sturdy Beggars. Chap. 3 makes the appointment of Overseers in every parish compulsory, empowers them to tax inhabitants—and to levy a rate in aid on richer parishes—in order to get material to support the idle poor at work, and provide for the sick and aged, and the care and apprenticing of children. This Act establishes the mutual responsibility of parents and children to maintain one another.

It also, by § 5 (vol. iv, Pt. 2, Record Com. Statutes, p. 897), empowers the Churchwardens and Overseers 'to erect, buylde, and sett upp in fit and convenyent Places of Habitacion . . . at the

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generall Chardges of the Parishe . . . convenyent Howses of Dwellinge for the sayde ympotent Poore; and allso to place Inmates or more Famylies than one in one Cottage or Howse.'

Chap. 4 provides for the whipping of sturdy Beggars who won't work, and their committal to gaol, their banishment beyond seas, or their death, in case they won't give up their roguish kind of life.

'We are now arrived,' says Sir Geo. Nichols, i. 192, 'at the important period when by The 43rd Elisabeth, cap. 2 (A.D. 1601), the principle of a compulsory assessment for relief of the poor was fully and finally established as an essential portion of our domestic policy.' This Act, 'the great turning-point of our Poor-Law Legislation, is still the foundation and text-book of English Poor Law' (i. 194). It carries out more effectually, and extends, the provisions of the prior Acts, and again sanctions the Rate in Aid. In 1610 the 7th of James I, chapter 4, provides for the building of Houses of Correction in every county; but not till 1624 does the 21 James I—'An Act for the erecting of Hospitals and Workinghouses for the Poor'—carry out what I take to be Stubbes's demand for an Almshouse in every parish; while not till 1834 does the Poor Law Amendment Act provide for the Poor the proper Medical Relief which Stubbes cald for in 1583.

As to Education, Harrison (see my Part I. p. 77), Latimer before him (Sermons, Parker Soc. edn. i. 186, 290, 291, 349), and many others, but utterd the same complaints about the jobbing of Scholarships, Fellowships, &c. that Stubbes makes, page 19; and not yet has the jobbing of the nominations of Bluecoat Boys to Christ's Hospital been done away with.

The hardship to the poor of wholesale enclosure of Commons—another complaint of Stubbes's—has been long admitted, and is now partially stopt by the Law. That Stubbes was right in calling for proper examination and licensing of Doctors, the keeping out of tag, rag, and quacks (p. 53), no one will deny. And that he took a reasonable and moderate view of the religious topics disputed in his day, I think every one will admit. His Part II, then, supports the character that I drew of him from his Part I.

xxiv† § 4. Stubbes's possible 2nd Marriage, and Bond.

- § 4. Of Phillip Stubbes himself I have some fresh tidings; of his family, none.
- r. He may have married again in 1593, when he wrote his Motive to good Workes. I have a melancholy interest in printing the late Col. Chester's letter to me on the point:—

124, Southwark Park Road, London, S.E. 18 Nov. '79.

"MY DEAR MR. FURNIVALL,

Did I ever send you the following Marriage from the Registers of St. Olave, Southwark?

1593, April 3, Philip Stubbes and Elenor Powell-by License.

It has this moment met my eye in one of my volumes that has recently been indexed.

It would have been only 3 years after the death of your Author's wife Katharine Emmes.¹

Or, were there 'two Richmonds in the field'?

A search for the License would, I fear, be hopeless, as those for that date issued from the Faculty and Vicar General's Offices are not in existence, and one from the Bp. of London would not have availed in Southwark.

Sincerely yours

Jos. L. CHESTER.

"The Powell Wills of the period might reveal the Connection.

The marrying by license, at that period, indicates that they were certainly not of the lower orders."

2. Our Phillip Stubbes may be the man of that name at Benefield in Northampton, who in July 1586 executed a Bond of which Mr. Henry Stubbes of Danby, Ballyshannon, got hold in 1879. He writes on 13 Nov. 1879:—

¹ Katharine Stubbes is alluded to in George Powell's 'Very Good Wife, a Comedy. London. S. Briscoe, 1693,' p. 21, Act III. sc. i.

"Well. Death, fight now, or you'll die infamous, was your Mother a Whore?

Squeez. Comparatively she might be in respect of some Holy Women, as the late Lady Ramsey, Mrs. Katherine Stubbs, and such, ha, ha, is that a Cause!"

§ 4. Stubbes's possible Bond. Other Stubbeses. XXV

'I have now very little doubt that I have in my possession the Autograph of the Author of the "Anatomie," and it may besides furnish a clue to his family, and perhaps bring to light some particulars of his life hitherto unknown. The following is the reason of my forming this opinion: The Bond relates to a "messuage or tenement" in Congleton, Cheshire, which Phil. S. is granting to Will. S. to hold for ever, and the former binds himself to leave the latter in undisturbed possession. The Bond itself is in Latin, the Conditions in English-Now, coupling this with what the Author of the "Anatomie" says of knowing a man "for a dozen or sixteene yeares togither" in Congleton (Part I. p. 136), whose death he relates as a warning to swearers, makes, I think, a very good case to show that they were one and the same person; and the house referred to in the Bond was in all probability where the Puritan spent a good many yeares of his life. He is described in the Bond as "Philippus Stubbes de Benefeild alsias] Beningfeilde in Com. Northt. generosus," and the other as "Willelmus Stubbes de Ratcliffe in Com. Midd. generosus "-

'I conjecture Phil. in the course of his rambles had settled for a time at Benefeild, as he did afterwards at Burton-on-Trent. It is not stated whether Willm. was any relative, but it seems probable he was; perhaps brother. I enclose two extracts from the Chancery Proceedings relating to Willm., but I am not certain that the second extract refers to the same person. These I got the other day. I have made no searches at Congleton, Chester, or Benefeild.'

'CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS.

I Nov. 1584. Bill filed by Robt. Wright, Citizen and Goldsmith of Lond. against William Stubbs of Ratcliff, Co. Middx., Gent.

23 Nov. 1598. Bill filed by William Stubbes of Radcliff, Co. Middx., Ropemaker (who about 4 yeares now last past inhabited and dwelt at Boston, Co. Linc., being unmarried and having a great family household by reason of his trade) against Thomas Strangrushe of the same town, Fuller.'

As to Phillip Stubbes's family, Prof. Stubbs felt sure that Phillip STUBBES, II.

xxvi† § 4. Stubbes folk and Wills in Cheshire.

came from Congleton, and that a gentle family of the name was still in that neighbourhood. So I wrote there, and found that no Stubbes was known but a sweep. Still, Mr. J. P. Earwaker says in his East Cheshire; ii. 362: "In 1654 I find it stated in a MS. at Capesthorne that "Nell, Nan, and Bess Stubbs, being mother and two daughters, were hanged [at Chester] for bewitching to death Mrs. Furnivall, wyfe to Mr. Anth. [a mistake for Ralph] Furnivall, daughter to Mr. J. Fellowes." Prof. Stubbs sent me this bit, and he finds that in 1595, William Stubbes of Congleton, gentleman, presented to the living of Gauseworth. The Congleton Records are, he says, full of Stubbeses; he has traced three generations of Congleton Jurors in the Town book-Ralph or Reynold, from 1540 onwards; John from 1565 or so; and then another Ralph at the beginning of James I's reign. He also found a Randall Stubbes in the first year of Elizabeth, who would do for our Phillip's father. He thinks the Astbury registers will most likely settle the matter. There is an account of some Stubbeses, he says, among the Rawlinson MSS. I paid for a search of the Chester Indexes, with the following result:

Chester Registry. List of Wills proved and Admons granted in the names of Stubbs and Stubbes from the earliest date of the Indexes, 1540 to 1630 both inclusive

- 1586 Will of Geffrey Stubbs of Ludlow
- 1591 Will of Willam Stubbs of Gawsworth, County of Chester
- 1595 Admon of Lawrence Stubbs of North Rode, Co. of Chester
- 1597 Will of Hugh Stubbs of North Rode, County of Chester
- 1603 Admon of Thomas Stubbs of Allostock in the County of Chester
- 1617 Will of George Stubbs of Lower Tabley, County of Chester
- 1617 Admon of John Stubbs of Heaton, County of Chester
- 1621 Will of Nicholas Stubbs of North Rode, County of Chester
- 1622 Will of Thomas Stubbs of Hulse
- 1622 Will of Thomas Stubbs of North Rode, County of Chester
- 1623 Will of George Stubbs of Knutsford, County of Chester
- 1624 Will of John Stubbs of Merton
- 1630 Will of Ann Stubbs of North Rode, County of Chester

None of these look likely.

4. Stubbeses in Lincolnshire, Essex, &c. xxvii†

Mr. Walter Rye felt sure that he'd find some traces of Phillip Stubbes at Donnington in Lincolnshire (where there's a town of that name as well as in Leicestershire): see Forewords to Part I. p. 59*),—but diligent search showd none, tho' the Will of a Richard Stubbes of Donnington in 1622 is in the Lincoln Consistory Court.

It is clear that our Phillip was not the son of Ralph Stubbes of St. Mary le Wigford in the City of Lincoln, whose will is dated 4 April 1558, prov'd 29 July 1559, and of whose estate a de bonis non grant was issued on Jan. 29, 1562-3. Ralph's will was registered twice over, being in 36 Chaynay and 5 Chare (Somerset House). It mentions his children John, Henry, Justinian, and Elizabeth Stubbes, &c. &c., of whom Justinian may well be the M.A. of Gloucester Hall, Oxford, mentiond by Wood, Ath. Ox., in the note on p. 53* of my Forewords to Part I. In the Chancery Proceedings temp. Eliz., S. s. 25, no. 31, Ralph Stubbes's executors claim £11 6s. 8d. of one Edmund, and in S. s. 23, £4 17s. 11½d. of Thos. Burton's executor.

The Essex Stubbeses yield no result either. There was a Philip Stubbes of Little Clacton, Essex, Will dated 19 June 1551, to whose estate the first Letters of Administration were granted on Sept. 25, 1555, and the second Letters on Oct. 31, 1561. He had an only son John, and a daughter Margaret. This John Stubbs of Cocks, Little Clacton, Essex, and Cotton Hall, Suffolk, made his will dated in 1587, but his son Phillip was not then of age. The Will was prov'd in the Commissary Court of Essex and Hertfordshire on Sept. 10, 1596. The right of Administration to this Philip Stubbs, then late of Clacton Parva deceasd, was renounced by Elizabeth, his Relict, in March 1626; and in May 1627, Administration was granted to Edward Luckin of Tiltey, one of Philip Stubbes's Creditors.

In the Chancery Proceedings of the time of Elizabeth are notes of other Stubbeses:

Richard Stubbe, and Anne his wife, Norfolk. G. g. 4, no. 59. John Stubbs of Norfolk. C. c. 14, no. 57. Richard Stubbs of Norfolk and Shropshire in vol. 3.

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John Stubbs of Rutland, with sons William and Thomas, and a grandson Henry, 21 Eliz. 1579.

Wm. Stubbs of Radcliffe, Ropemaker, 23 Nov. 1598.—S. s. 5.
Alexander Stubbes of Codsall, Staffordshire yeoman. S. s. 6.
Richard Stubbs of Southwark, yeoman. S. s. 13.
Christopher Stubbs of Berkshire and Hampshire.
Edward Stubbs of Norfolk.
William Stubbs of Devonshire.

The name Stubbes occurs in a book dated 1626. John Gee. New Shreds of the Old Snare:—p. 121, "Factors employed for the conveying over of the said Women to the Nunneries....

Master Peeters Stubbes."

Then Mr. Ellacombe hoped that he'd hit on traces, in his parish, Bitton, Glo'stershire, of our Stubbes, and he sent me up his Register; but the only Stubbes entries in it show that the Rev. Henry Stubbes or Stubbe, when doing duty at Bitton—not being Vicar of it, had a daughter and a son baptized there:

"Mary daughter of Henry Stubbs, Clericus, was baptised February xith 1643."

"John the sonne of Mr. Henrie Stubbs, was babt. October

xxvii." 1647.

There is no entry of the burial of any Stubbes from 1594 to 1643 (and a few years later).

Whether our Phillip Stubbes had anything to do with any of the folk above-named, I must leave to some future searcher to decide.

I have not tried to get up many Notes for this 2nd Part. Those to Part I. cost so much, that a second set, even were one possible, must not be indulged in. The text is reprinted from the copy of *The Display of Corruptions* in the Grenville Library, British Museum.

What have Books like the present one to do with Shakspere? They help us to realize the England of his day, and the social evils that he must have seen.

3, St. George's Square, N. W. July 18, 1882.

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NOTES FOR PART II.

p. xxvii† Wills of John and Phillip Stubbes of Essex, and Ralph Stubbes of Lincoln:—

In. Stubbes, 1587.

(In Room 32) Will of John Stubbes of Cocks, Little Clacton, Essex (and Cotton Hall, Suffolk), dated 1587, gives Cocks and appurtenances, and lease of Cotton Hall to his son Phillip (under age) when he attains 21. If he dies under 21, then to testator's wife Agnes for life, and then over. Provision for boy Phillip's maintenance, &c. Prov'd in Com. Court of Essex and Herts, 10 Septr. 1596. (Phillip livd. Admon to him ab. 1622.—Grigson.)

19 June, 1551.

(P. C. C. Bucke, quire 25) Will of Phillip Stubbes of Little Clacton, Essex—most lands to wife Johane for life, part to son John on atts. 21—if he doesn't, then to daughter Margret. If she dies under 18, then her share of personalty to son John. Evidently, only son John, and daughter Margret. No son Phillip.

25 Septr. 1555, authority to administer Ph. Stubbes's goods, granted to Rd. Blaxton, Ed. Assheman, and Edw^{d.} Shorte, the exor Jn. Hockett having died.

31 Octr. 1561, Commission to Rd. Godfrey and Alice his wife to administer the goods not administerd.

Ralph Stubbes, Alderman of Lincoln, April 4, 1558 (of the parish of St. Mary's, Wygford, in the suburbs of the City of Lincoln). Will proved, July 29, 1550:—

Gives all his property, less legacies and special bequests, to his 4 children, *John, Henry, Justynyan*, and *Elizabeth*. If any die without issue—they're evidently under age—his share is to go to the survivors.

Gives Christabell Bartram his sister, to her marriage, 20£; and if she die or she be maryed, then 16£ to go to his 4 children, and 4£ 'to my thre bretherne, Henry Stubbes, Iohn Stubbes and Thomas Stubbes'.

Gives to his 'father Bartrame xij li. to bye the rest of the said house whiche he shulde purchase. And I wille . . that John Bartrame shalhaue the said house' in fee . . (As to children's bringing-up) 'I will that my mother in lawe [Margarete Smythe] shall have the kepinge and bringyng vppe of my children durynge her lif, and after her death I will that John Stubbes and

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Justynyan Stubbes, with theire partes and portions shalbe in the Rule, ordre, and kepinge of Mr. John Hutchynson, and Henrye Stubbes. . of Thomas Dauson my brother-in-lawe' (Elizth. not given to any one). Residue to 4 children Exors. 4 children, and "Margarete Smythe my mother in lawe."

p. xxviii† Henry Stubbes. See Ant. Wood's Ath. Oxon. ed. Bliss, 1817;

1255 :--

Henry Stubbe, son of a father of both his names of Bitton in Glocestershire, was born in that county, became a student in Magdalen hall in the latter end of 1623, aged eighteen years; admitted bachelor of arts the 26th of January 1627, & master of arts the 8th of July 1630, took holy orders, and became a curate or vicar, sided with the puritans in the beinning of the rebellion, took the covenant, preached seditiously—took the engagement, and as a minister of the city of Wells was constituted one of the commissioners for the ejecting of such whom they then (1654) called scandalous, ignorant, and insufficient ministers and schoolmasters. After his majesty's restoration, he lost what he had for want of conformity, retired to London, and lived there. He hath, among several things pertaining to divinity, written

Great Treaty of Peace, Exhortation of making Peace with God. Lond. 1676-

77, oct.

Dissuasive from Conformity to the World. Lond. 1675, in oct.

God's Severity against Man's Iniquity. Printed with the Dissuasive.

God's Gracious Presence, the Saint's great Privilege—a farewel Sermon to a Congregation in London, on 2 Thes. 3, 16. Printed also with the Dissuasive.

Conscience the best Friend upon Earth: or the happy Effects of keeping a good Conscience, very useful for this Age. London 1678, 8vo.; 1685 in twelves, and other things which I have not yet seen; among which is his Answer to the Friendly Debate, an 1669 in octavo. When he died, I know not; sure I am that after his death, which was in London, his books were exposed to sale by way of auction the 29th of Nov. 1680.

[See a very amiable character of this writer in Calamy, who adds

1. A Funeral Sermon for a Lady in Gloucestershire.

2. A Voice from Heaven; with his last Prayer.

Granger, who mentions a small head of Stubbe, gives us the title of a third book omitted by Wood:

3. Two Epistles to the professing Parents of baptized Children, written a little before his death.

Calamy says that Stubbe was of Wadham college, which I cannot believe. He was certainly matriculated of Magdalen hall, April 16 [18, Col. Chester], 1624. See Reg. Matric. Univ. Oxon. PP. fol. 299, b.] He died on July 7, 1678, aged 73, and was buried in Bunbill Fields.—(Col. Chester.)

Of this Henry Stubbes, Richard Baxter says in his Reliquiæ Baxterianæ, Part III. (written in 1670) p. 189 [After his Answer to Mr. Dodwell and Dr. Sherlock, &c.], § 66. In a short time I was called on, with a grieved heart,

He was born, says Calamy [wrongly], at Upton in this county, upon an estate that was given to his grandfather by king James I, with whom he came from Scotland. Ejected Ministers, ii. 319.

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to Preach and Publish many Funeral Sermons, on the Death of many Excellent Saints.

Mr. Stubbes went first, that Humble, Holy, Serious Preacher, long a blessing to Gloucestershire and Somersetshire, and other parts, and lastly to London. I had great reason to lament my particular Loss, of so holy a friend, who oft told me, That for very many years he never went to God in solemn Prayer, without a particular remembrance of me: but of him before.—Reliquia Baxteriana, 1696.

Part III. p. 95, § 205 (written 1670). But because there are some few who by Preaching more openly than the rest, and to greater Numbers, are under more Men's displeasure and censure, I shall say of them truly but what I know...

11. Old Mr. Stubbs, who joineth with him [Mr. Turner], is one of a Thousand, sometimes Minister at Wells, and last at Dursley in Gloucestershire, an ancient grave Divine, wholly given up to the Service of God, who hath gone about from place to place Preaching with unwearied Labour since he was silenced, and with great Success, being a plain, moving, fervent Preacher, for the work of converting impenitent sinners to God: And yet being settled in peaceable Principles by aged Experience, he every where expresseth [= presses out, excludes] the Spirit of Censoriousness, and unjust Separations, and Preacheth up the ancient zeal and sincerity with a Spirit suitable thereunto. Reliq. Baxt. 1696.

Ant. Wood gives an account of another Henry Stubbes, whose father was a clergyman at Parterey in Lincolnshire, where he was born on Feb. 28, 163½. He was at Oxford, and ultimately turnd Doctor. He was drownd on July 12, 1676, and buried in the Abbey Church at Bath. Him, Baxter mentions in the following passage of his *Reliq. Baxteriana*, 1696: *Life*, Part I. (written 1664), p. 75-6, "being writing against the Papists, coming to vindicate our Religion against them, when they imparte to us the Blood of the King, I fully proved that the Protestants, and particularly the Presbyterians, abhorred it, and suffered greatly for opposing it; and that it was the Act of *Cromwell's* Army and the Sectaries, among which I named the *Vanists* as one sort. . . . Hereupon, Sir Henry *Vane* being exceedingly provoked, threatened me to many, and spake against me in the House, and one *Stubbs* (that had been whipt in the Convocation House at *Oxford*) wrote for him a bitter Book against me, who from a *Vanist* afterwards turned a Conformist; since that, he turned Physician, and was drowned in a small Puddle or Brook as he was riding near the Bath."

Chaucer and Stubbes. In a short poem 'The | Laurel, | and the | Olive': | Inscrib'd to | George Bubb, Esq; | By Geo. Stubbes, M.A. | Fellow of Exeter-College in Oxon. | London, | Printed for Egbert Sanger at the Post-Office at the | Middle Temple-Gate in Fleetstreet .M.DCC.X. are some lines 'To the Author' ending thus:

So when revolving Years have run their Race, Bright the same Fires in different Bosoms blaze; Known by his glorious Scars, and deathless Lines, Again the *Hero*, and the *Poet* shines. In gentler *Harrison*, soft *Waller* sighs, And *Mira* wounds with *Sacharissa's* Eyes.

xxxii† Notes on pp. 6-9. Jesuits. Latimer's Sermon.

Achilles lives, and Homer still delights,
Whilst Addison records, and Churchill fights.
This happy Age, each Worthy shall renew,
And all dissolv'd in pleasing Wonder, view
In Ann—Philippa, Chaucer shine in you.

p. 6. Papal Plots, Jesuits, &c. Stubbes may allude specially to Campion's conspiracy two years before, of which Stowe—or Antony Munday—gives the following account in his Annales (ed. 1605, p. 1169), and a longer one in his additions to Holinshed's (or Reginald Wolfe's) Chronicle:—

[1581]. "On the 20. of November, Edmond Campion, Jesuit, Ralfe Sher-Aut. Monday. Campion wine, Lucas Kerbie, Edward Rishton, Thomas Coteham, Henrie Orton, Robert Iohnson & Iames Bosgraue, were brought to the arraigned. high bar at Westminester, where they were seuerally, & al together indicted vpon high treason, for that, contrary both to loue & duty, they forsooke their natiue country, to liue beyond the seas under the Popes obedience, as at Rome, Rheimes, and divers other places, where (the Pope having with other princes practised the death and deprination of our most gracious princesse, and otter subuersion of her state and kingdome, to advance his most abhominable religion), these men, having vowed their allegiance to the Pope, to obey him in all causes whatsoeuer, being there, gaue their consent, to aide him in this most traiterous determination. And for this intent & purpose, they were sent ouer to seduce the harts of her maiesties louing subjects, & to conspire and practise her graces death, as much as in them lay, against a great day set & appointed, when the generall hauocke should be made, those onely reserved that ioyned with them. This laid to their charge, they boldly denied; but by a jurie they were approoued guilty, and had judgement to be hanged, bowelled & quartered.

Campion and others executed.

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Campion and there hanged, bowelled & quartered. Looke more in my continuation of Reine Woolfes Chronicle."

p. 9, as that blessed martyr of God, Maister Latimer hath said in a sermon made before King Edward the sixt. This is 'The seconde Sermon of Master Hughe Latemer, whych he preached before the Kynges maiestie, wythin hys graces Palayce at Westminster y*.xv. day of Marche M.CC[C]CC. xlix.' Sign. E. 1. "I must desyre my Lorde protectours grace to heare me in thys matter, that your grace would heare poor mens sutes your selfe. Putte it to none other to heare, let them not be delayed. The saying is nowe, that mony is harde euery wher: if he be ryche, he shall soone haue an ende of his matter. Other ar fayn to go home with weping teares, for ani help they can obtain at ani Iudges hand. Heere mens suets your selfe, I requyre you in godes behalfe, & put it not to the hering of these veluet cotes, these vp skippes. Nowe a man can skarse knowe them from an auncyent Knyght of the countrye.

"I can not go to my boke, for pore folkes come vnto me, desirynge me that I wyll speake that theyr matters maye be heard. . . . I am no soner in the garden

Notes on pp. 9-24. Angel. Clothiers' Tricks. xxxiii†

and haue red a whyle, but . . some one or other . . . desireth me that I wyll speake that hys matter myght be heard, & that [Sign. E. ii.] he hathe layne thys longe at great costes and charges, and can not once haue hys matter come to the hearing . . . [E. ii. back]. I beseche your grace that ye wyll loke to these matters.

"Heare them your selfe! Vieue your Iudges! And heare pore mens causes. And you proude Iudges, herken what God sayeth in hys holy boke. Audite illos, ita parum ut magnum. Heare theym, sayeth he, the small as well as the greate, the pore as well as the ryche. Regarde no person, feare no man—Why? Quia domini iudicium est. The iudgment is Goddes.

"Marcke thys sayinge, thou proude Iudge! The deuyl will [E. iii.] brynge thys sentence at the daye of Dombe. Hel wyl be ful of these Iudges, if they repente not and amende.

"They are worsse then the wicked Iudge that Christe speaketh of, that neyther feared God nor the worlde. There was a certain wyddowe that was a suter to a Iudge, & she met hym in euery corner of the streete, cryinge: 'I praye you heare me, I besech you heare me, I aske nothyng but ryght.' When the Iudge saw hyr so importunate, 'though I fear neyther God, sayth he, nor the worlde, yet bycause of hyr importunatenes I wyll graunte hyr requeste.'

"But our Iudges are worsse then thys Iudge was. For [sign. E. iii. back] they wyll neyther heare men for Gods sake, nor feare of the worlde, nor importunatenes, nor any thynge else. Yea, some of them wyll commaund them to ward, if thei be importunat."

p. 12, an angell, (for that is called a counsellers fee). The well-known lawyer's 'six and eightpence.' Miss Rochfort Smith sends me the following Epigram, 594, from Wits Recreations:—

"Upon Anne's marriage with a Lawyer.

Anne is an angel: what if so she be? What is an angel but a lawyer's fee?"

- p. 19. Colleges, &-c, abused and peruerted. See my Harrison's Description of England, 1577-87, p. 77. On Education in Early England, see my Forewords to the Babees Book, or Meals and Manners: Early English Text Society.
- p. 24, stretching and thicking Cloth. "I here saye, there is a certayne Cloth makers connyng come vp in myxyng of wares.

 "Howe saye you, were it not wonder to here that clothe makers

Poticaryes, yea and amonge the should become poticaries.

Gospellers. "Yea, and as I heare saye, in such a place, where as they have professed the Gospell, and the word of God most earnestly of a long tyme. Se how busic the Deuell is to sclaunder the word of god. Thus the pore gospel goeth to wracke. Yf his clothe be xviii. yerdes longe, he wyl set hym on a racke, A pretti kind of and streach hym tyll the senewes shrinke agayne, whyles he hath multiplyinge. brought hym to xxvii. yardes. When they have brought hym to that perfection, they have a prety feate [sign. E. iiii.] to thycke him againe. He Flocke powder. makes me a pouder for it, an playes the poticary: thei cal it floke

xxxiv† Notes on pp. 24-33. Commons. Tailors.

pouder: they do so incorporate it to the cloth, that it is wonderfull to consider: truely a goodly inuention."

p. 24, Dark Shops. p. 49, False Weights. p. 22, Merchants. p. 47, Farmers. p. 29, Griping Landlords. These Shop-keepers that can blind mens eyes, with dym and obscure lights, and deceine their eares with false & flattering words, be they not Vsurers?

These Tradesmen that can buy by one weight, and selle by another, be they not Vsurers?

These Marchants that doe robbe the Realme, by carrying away of Corne, Lead, Tinne, Hydes, Leather, and such other like, to the impouerishing of the common wealth, bee they not Vsurers?

These Farmers that doe hurde vppe their Corne, Butter, & Cheese, but of purpose to make a dearth, or that if they thinke it to rayne but one houre to much, or that a drought doe last but two dayes longer then they thinke good, will therfore the next market day hoyse vp the prises of all manner [p. 46] of victuall, be not these Vsurers?

The Land-Lordes that doe sette out their liuings at those high rates, that their Tenants that were wont to keepe good Hospitalitie, are not nowe able to giue a peece of Bread to the Poore, be they not Vsurers? 1614. Barnabee Rych. The Honestie of this Age. p. 45-6.

p. 27, the commons . . . are inclosed, made several. Compare Shakspere's phrase, in Loues Labor's Lost, II. i. 223, Qo. 1:—

Bo. So you graunt pasture for me.

Lady.

Not so, gentle Beast,
My lippes are no Common, though seuerall they be.

Thomas Greene's Diary says, on 1615, Sept. 1. "Mr. Shakspeare told Mr. J. Greene that he was not able to beare the enclosing of Welcombe" Common. Leop. Shaksp. Introd., p. cix. See p. 45* and 116 in Stubbes, Part I.

- p. 28. Enclosures of Commons, &c. See Harrison, Part I., p. 306-7, and Latimer's 7th Sermon before Edw. VI, Serm. 14, Parker Soc., p. 248.
- p. 28, rich men's game eating up poor men's corn, grass, &c. This goes on still, as every one in a game-preserving county knows. I heard Joseph Arch once say how his garden was cleard by Lord Warwick's rabbits, and how he in return took his own compensation in game.
- p. 33, Tailors. "now it were a hard matter for me to distinguish betweene men, who were good and who were bad, but if I might giue my verdict to say who were the wisest men nowe in this age, I would say they were Taylers: would you heare my reason? because I doe see the wisedome of women to be still ouer-reached by Taylers, that can euery day induce them to as many new-fangled fashions, as they please to inuent: and the wisedome of men againe, are as much ouer-reached by women, that canne intice their husbandes to surrender and giue way to all their newe-fangled follies: they are Taylers then that canne ouer-rule the wisest women, and they be women that can besot the wisest men; so that if Ma. Maiors conclusion be good, that because Iacke, his youngest sonne, ouer-ruled his mother, and Iackes mother agayne ouerruled M. Maior himselfe,

and M. Maior by office ouerruled the Towne, Ergo, the whole Towne was ouerruled by Iacke, Ma. Maiors sonne: by the same consequence, I may likewise conclude, that Taylers are the wisest men: the reason is alreadie rendered, they doe make vs all Fooles, both men and women, and doe mocke the whole worlde with their newe inuentions: but are they women alone that are thus seduced by Taylers? doe but looke amongst our gallants in this age, and tell me, if you shall not finde men amongst them to be as vaine, as nice, and as gaudie in their attyres, as shee that amongst women is accounted the most foolish....

"The holy scriptures have denounced a curse no lesse grievous to the Idolemaker, then to the Idole it selfe; now (vnder the correction of Divinitie) I would but demaund, what are these Puppet-making Taylers, that are every day inventing of newe fashions, and what are these, that they doe call Attyre-makers, the first inventers of these monstrous Periwygs, and the finders out of many other like immodest Attyres: what are these, and all the rest of these Fashion Mongers, the inventers of vanities, that are every day whetting their wits to finde out those Gaudes, that are not onely offensive vnto God, but many wayes preiudiciall to the whole Common wealth: if you will not acknowledge these to be Idolemakers, yet you cannot deny them to be the Devils enginers, vngodly instruments, to decke and ornifie such men and women, as may well be reputed to be but Idolles, for they have eyes, but they see not into the wayes of their own salvation, & they have eares, but they cannot heare the Iudgements of God, denounced against them for their pride and vanitie." 1614. Barnabee Rych. The Honestie of this Age, p. 23.

- p. 35. Ruffes. See Part I, p. 52, 240-2.
- p. 41, 42. The Poor, and Beggars. See my Harrison, Part I, p. 213, &c.
- p. 51, long hair. In 1614, Barnabee Rych asks: "And from whence commeth this wearing, & this imbrodering of long lockes, this curiositie that is vsed amongst men, in freziling and curling of their hayre, this gentlewoman-like starcht bands, so be-edged, and be-laced, fitter for Mayd Marion in a Moris dance, then for him that hath either that spirit or courage, that should be in a gentleman?"—The Honestie of this Age, p. 35. "There are certaine new inuented professions that within these fourtie or fiftie years, were not so much as heard of," says Rich, p. 24, "& yet have become flourishing, namely, 'Attyre-makers,' Coach-makers & Coachmen, Body-makers, and Tobacco-dealers. The 3 most gainful trades are," he says, p. 28, "the first is to keepe an Ale house, the 2. a Tobacco House, and the third to keepe a Brothell House."
- p. 57. A marvellous strange coniunction. This alludes to R. Harvey's notorious tract addrest to his brother the author Gabriel Harvey, "An Astrological Discourse upon the great and notable Conjunction of the two superiour Planets, Saturne and Jupiter, which shall happen the 28 day of April, 1583," 18 mo. black letter. H. Bynneman, 1583. The years 1588 and 1593 were to be "dangerous years" too. See my note in N. Sh. Soc. Trans., 1875-6, p. 151-4.
- p. 82. Such a dish of apples as Master Latimer talketh of, with thirty angels in every apple. This is in "The fifte Sermon of Mayster Hughe Latimer, whyche

he prached before the kynges Maiestye wythin hys Graces Palaice at Westminster the fyft daye of Aprill "[1549]. Sign. R. iii. "Ther was a patron in England (when it was) that had a benefyce fallen into hys hande, and a good brother of The merye tale of the patrone of the patrone gaue them hys man to carrye them to hys mayster. It is like he benefyce for a depute dyshe of Apples. The patrone gaue one to his man for his laboure to make vp the game, and so ther was .xxxi.

"This man commeth to his mayster, and presented hym wyth the dyshe of Apples, sayinge: 'Syr, suche a man hathe sente you a [R. iii. back] dyshe of frute. and desyreth you to be good vnto hym for suche a benefyce.' 'Tushe, tushe,' quod he, 'thys is no apple matter. I wyll none of hys apples. I have as good as these (or as he hath any) in myne owne orcharde,' The man came to the preest agayne, and toulde hym what hys mayster sayed. 'Then,' quod the priest, 'desyre hym yet to proue one of them for my sake, he shal find them much better then they loke for.' He cut one of them, and founde ten peces of golde in it [Lio = 30 Angels]. 'Mary,' quod he, 'thys is a good apple. The pryest standyng not farre of, herynge what the Gentle man sayed, cryed out and answered, 'they are all one apples, I warrante you, Syr, they grewe all on one A graft of gold tree and haue all one taste.' 'Well, he is a good fellowe [sign. R. to get a benefyce wythal is worth a great deale of thys tre, and I warrante you it shall stand you in better steade then all Sayncte Paules learnynge. Well, let patrons take hede, for they shall aunswere for all the soules that peryshe throughe theyr defaute." See too the Third Sermon, p. 145-6, Parker Soc., on the bribe-taking Judge flayd alive by Cambyses; the pudding-story, p. 140.

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- p. 60°, note 2. The woodcut is at the back of the Dedication, p. 2°.
- p. 86*. See too the Homily against Idleness.
- p. 89*. Dice, wine, and women, wonne, drunke, & spent all, And now he liues a vassall at each call.
 - 1600. Quips vpon Questions, sign. E. 2, back, 'On a ruind Gallant.'
- p. 95°. The cut of Irish Costumes is from the Additional MS. 28,330 in the British Museum: a Dutch 'Short Description of England, Scotland & Ireland,' 1574.
 - p. 97. There is no ornamental border round the original 1584 Title-page.
 - p. 231. Velure, &c. See note p. 363-4, Dekker's Works, 1874, vol. iii.
- p. 232. Nash's Anatomie of Abuses was enterd in the Stationers' Registers in advance, on Sept. 19, 1588.
 - p. 236. Farrefetched and deare bought. "we vse to say by manner of

Notes for Part I, pp. 248-375. Football, &c. xxxvii†

Prouerbe, 'things farrefet and deare bought are good for Ladies.'" 1589. Puttenham, p. 193, ed. Arber.

p. 248. Andrew Boorde's cut is also alluded to in the Homily against Excess of Apparel; and by Dekker, p. 77° above.

p. 271, 273. Women's face-painting.

"Whers the Deuill?...

He's got into a boxe of Women's paint. . . . Where pride is, thers the Diuell too."

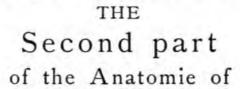
1600. Quips vpon Questions, sign. F. 2.

- p. 280. See the Homily against Whoredom and Adultery.
- p. 284. See the Homily against Gluttony and Drunkenness.
- p. 293. Prisons. See too in 1618, Geffrey Mynshul's Essayes and Characters of a Prison and Prisoners.
- p. 296. Sunday Sports, &c. See Humphrey Roberts's, 'An earnest Complaint of diuers vain, wicked and abused Exercises practised on the Sabath day,' 1572. Hazlitt's Collections and Notes, p. 360-1.
 - p. 307, at foot: beaten with a Brewers washing bittle, drunk.

"these people Are all brainde with a Brewers washing beetle." 1600. Quips upon Questions, sign. F. 2, back.

- p. 318. Deaths at Football. Coroner's inquest on one Gibbs kild in a game. "The Coroner, in summing up, advocated a return to the rules practised in football twenty years ago, for, as now played, it was only worthy of a set of costermongers." See also the notice of the Mayor of Southampton prohibiting football under Association or Rugby rules, on the town's public lands.—Echo, Dec. 11, 1880. On Saturday . . . Mr. Joseph Hunter at Sheffield had his arm and three ribs broken; at Mexborough a young man named William Howitt had his arm and leg dislocated.—Daily News, Dec. 13, 1880.
- p. 349. Insert Abandon, v. t. banish, 125. Ames ace & the dice, 37°. Deuse ace, 272; a man's genitals.
 - p. 352, col. 2. Insert Breasts: see Bare, and Naked.
- p. 356, col. 2. Disgesture, digestion. "Glut with gazing, surfet with seeing and rellish with reading [my book]:—It may be there are some preservatives, not poyson, though harsh in disgesture. 1600. Quips vpon Questions, sign. A. iij.
 - p. 362, col. I. Insert Honeymoon, p. 376, n. I.
 - p. 371, col. 2, to 'Spanish &c.' add 'boots, 242.'
- p. 375, col. I. Insert *Venetians* 250. 'Graques; f. Gregs, Gallogaskins, wide venitians.' 1611. Cotgrave; and *Venetian hose*, 56.



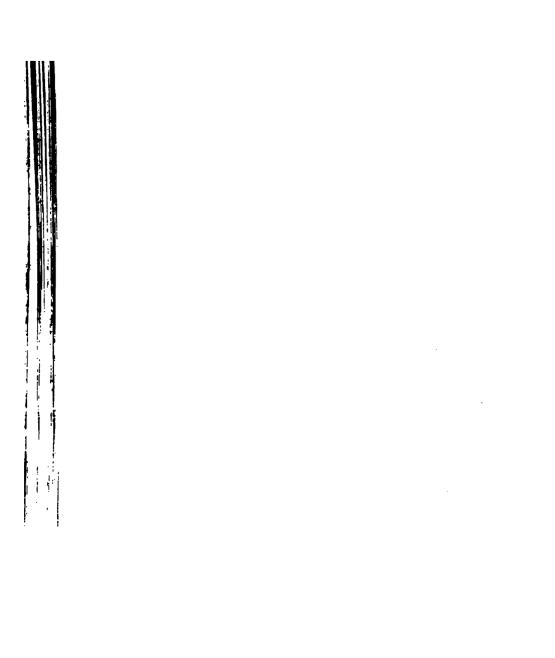


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The speakers, Theodorvs and Amphilogys.1



OD bleffe you my friend, and well ouertaken.

Amphilogus. You are hartilie welcome, good fir. with all my hart.

Theod. How farre purpose you to trauell this way by the grace of God?

Amphil. As far as Nodnol if God permit.

Theod. What place is that, I pray you, and where is it scituate? Amphil. It is a famous citie and the chiefest place in Dnalgne: haue you not heard of it?

Theod. No truely. For I am a stranger, and newly come into these countries, onely to see fashions, and to learne the state and condi²tion of those things whereof I am ignorant.

Amphil. What country man are you, I pray you, if I may be fo bold as to afke?

Theod. I am of the country and nation of the Idumeans, a cruell, fierce, and feruile kind of people.

Amphil. I have beene in those countries my selfe ere now, and He says he's been in Idumea therefore it is maruell that you knowe me not.

Theod. Me thinke I should knowe you, but yet I cannot call your name to remembrance.

Amphil. My name is Amphilogus, fomtime of your acquaintance, though now you have (through tract of time, which is Omnium

1 Amphilogus is Stubbes. The side notes are all mine. Stubbes put notes to his First Part only.

² B I, back. The headline all thro, is 'The Display of Corruptions.' SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES, IL.

2 II. I. England the wickedest Country under the Sun.

rerum edax, A deuourer of al things) forgot the fame. But notwithftanding that you have forgot me, yet I remember you very well: is not your name Maister Theodorus?

Theod. Yes truly, my name is Theodorus; I neither can, nor yet will, euer denie the fame.

Amphil. What make you in these countries, if I may aske you without offence?

Theod. Truly I came hither to fee the country, people, and nation, to learne the toong, and to fee (as I told you) the flate generally of all things.

Stubbes will describe the state of England. [1 Sig. B 2] ¹ Amphil. You are most hartily welcome, and I, having beene a traueler, borne in these countries, and knowing the state thereof in eueric respect, to congratulate your comming, will impart vnto you the substance and effect therof in as few words as I can.

Theod. I praie you then give me leave (vnder correction) to afke you fuch necessary questions, as are incident to my purpose, and which may serve for my better instruction in all the foresaide premisses?

Amphil. Go to then, aske on in the name of God, and I will addresse myself to satisfie your reasonable requests in anything I can.

Theod. What be the inhabiters of this countrie? Be they a vertuous, godlie, and religious kinde of people, or otherwise cleane contrarie?

Amphil. Surely they are, as all other countries and nations be for the most part, inclined to sinne, and wickednes, drinking vp iniquitie as it were water; but yet I am persuaded that, albeit all flesh hath corrupted his way before the face of GOD, yet is there not any nation or countrey under the sunne, that for pride, whoredome, droonkennes, gluttonie, and all kinde of oppression, iniurie and mischiefe, may compare with this one country ² of Dnalgne, God be mercifull unto it, and hasten his kingdome, that all wickednes may be done away.

Theod. Then, as in all other countries where ever I have travelled, fo in this also is verified the old adage, namely, that the first age of the world was called Aurea was, the golden age, for that men lived godlie and in the feare of God; the second age was called Argentea was, the filuer age, for that men began somewhat to decline, and fall from their former holinesse, and integritie of life, to sinne and wicked-

No nation is so proud, drunken, and so full of mischief, as England is.

[Sig. B 2, back]

r. The Golden Age. 2. The Silver. nes: the thirde and last age, which is this that we are fallen into, is and may justlie be called Ferrea or Plumbea ætas, the yron or leaden age, in as much as now men are fallen from all godlinesse whatsoeuer, and are as it were wedded to iniquitie, committing finne without any remorfe, and running into all kinde of abhomination and impietie, without reftraint. All which things dulie in the good hart of a faithful christian considered & weied, may easily persuade a wise man to think their destruction to be at hand, except they repent.

Amphil. You say verie well. Therefore I would wish them to take heed to themselues, and to leave their wickednes before the Lords wrath be gon out against them; for let them be sure, that [1 Sig. B 3] when the measure of their wickednesse is full, then will the Lord cut them off from the face of the earth, if they repent not, and truely turne to the Lord. The wife man faith, that a little before destruction'll tion come, the hart of man shall swell into pride, and wickednes. Our fauiour Christ saith, when men flatter themselues, and 'saie "peace, peace, al things are well, we neede not to feare anything," then, euen then, shall sudden destruction fall vpon them, as forrow commeth upon a woman trauelling with childe, and they shall not escape, bicause they would not knowe the Lord, nor the day of his visitation.' Which thing we see to be true through all the histories of the facred Bible; for when the Sodomits and Gomorreans had filled morrah, vp the measures of their iniquitie, and saciate themselues in sinne, then came there fire and brimftone raining from heaven vpon them and their citie, and confumed them all, from the vpper face of the earth. When all the worlde in the daies of Noah, was given ouer to in Noah's days, finne, and wickednes, immediatelie came the floud of Gods vengeance, and destroied them all, eight persons—to wit, Noah, his wife, his three fonnes and their wives,-who ferued the Lord in true fimplicity of hart, onelie excepted. The Hierofoltinitanes 2 when their finne was [Sig. B 3, back] ripe, were they not confounded, and put to the edge of the fworde? When Pharao the king of Egypt his finne was ripe, did not the Lord with Pharaoh, harden his hart to pursue the Israelits, and so drowned him and all his retinue in the read sea? Herod and Nabuchadnezer swelling in Herod and finne, and rifing vp against the maiestie of God in the malice of their harts, was not the one stroken dead in a moment, and eaten vp with worms, the other deposed from his kingdome, and constrained to eate

4 II. 1. England fertile. The 3 sorts of Englishmen.

When Destruction is nearest, folk are securest.

graffe with the beafts of the earth; with the like examples, which, for the auoiding of prolixitie, I omit. By all which it appeareth, that when deftruction is neerest, then are the people the securest, and the most indurate and frozen in the dregs of their sinne; and being so, the sequele is either confusion in this life, or perdition in the world to come, or both. And therefore I beseech the Lord, that both this country, and all others, may repent, & amende euerie one their wicked waies, to the glorie of God and their owne faluation.

Theod. Is this country fruitfull, and plenty of all things, or barren, and emptie?

England is a plentiful land,

1 Sig. B 4]

but covetous wretches export its goods. Amphil. There is no nation or country in the world, that for ftore, and abundance of all things, may compare with the fame; for ¹ of all things there is fuch plentie (God haue the praise thereof) as they may seeme to haue neede of no other nation, but all others of them. In so much as if they were wise people (as they be wise inough, if they would vie their wisedome well) to keepe their owne substance within themselues, and not to transport it ouer to other countries (as many couetous wretches for their owne private gaine doe) they might live richly and in abundance of all things, whilest other countries should languish and want. But hereof more shall be spoken hereafter.

Theod. I pray you how is this country adiacent vpon other countries?

Amphil. It lieth inuironed with the occean fea rounde about; vpon the one fide eaftwarde, it bordereth vpon the confines of France: vpon the other fide weftward, vpon Irelande; towards the feptentrionall or north part, vpon Scotland; and vpon the fouth fide it respecteth Germanie. And is inhabited with three fundrie fortes of people, Englishmen, Cornishmen, and welchmen, all which, if not in lawes and constitutions, yet in language, doe differ one from another. But as they doe differ in toong and speech, so are they subject (and that Patrio iure, By instice and law) 2 to one Prince, and governour onely to whom they owe their allegeance.

Theod. Is the country quiet, peaceable, and at vnitie within it felfe, or otherwise troubled with mutenies, wars, and civill diffentions?

Amphil. The whole lande (God be praifed therefore, and preferue hir noble Grace by whom it is gouerned and maintained!) is,

It has Englishmen, Welshmen, Cornishmen, whose speech differs from one

[2 Sig. B 4, back]

and hath beene, at peace and vnitie, not onely within it selfe, but England has also abroad, for this foure or fine and twenty yeeres. During all been at peace for 25 years. which time there hath beene neither wars, inuafions, infurrections, nor any effusion of blood to speake of, except of a fort of archtraitours, who have received but the same reward they deserved, and the same that I pray God all traitours with their complices may receive hereafter, if they practife the same which they have done. The like continuance of peace was neuer heard of, not this hundred yeeres before, as this country hath inioied fince hir maiesties reigne: the Lord preserve hir grace, and roiall Maiestie for euer!

Theod. Are the other countries, lands, and nations about them (for as I gather by your former intimations, this country is scituate as it were in the centrie, or midst of 1 others) their friends, and well- [1 Sig. B s] willers, or their enimies?

Amphil. It is an old faieng and true: Ex incertis, & ambiguis rebus optimum tenere sapientis est: Of things vncerteine, a christian man ought to judge and hope the best. They hope wel that all are their friends and welwillers: but it is thought (and I feare me too But it has liptrue) that they are so far from being their friends (Nife verbo tenus, hate it. From mouth outward onely) that they have vowed and fworne their destruction, if they could as easily atchive it, as they secretly intend it. Which thing to be true, some of their late practises have (yet to their owne confusion, Gods name be praised) proued true. For how manie times hath that man of finne, that fonne of the diuell, that That son of the Italian Antichrist of Rome, interdicted, excommunicated, suspended, and accurfed with booke, bell and candle, both the Prince, the Nobilitie, the Commons, and whole Realme? How often hath he fent foorth his roring buls against hir Maiestie, excommunicating (as I have faid) hir Grace, and discharging hir Highnesse liege people and naturall subjects, from their allegeance to hir Grace? How often hath he with his adherents conspired and intended the death and ouerthrowe of hir Maiestie and Nobilitie, by con2iuration, necromancy, exorcismes, art magike, witchcraft, and all kind of diuelrie besides, wherein the most part of them are skilfuller than in divinity? And when these deuises would not take place, nor effect as they wished, then attempted they by other waies and meanes to ouerthrowe the estate, the Prince, nobles, people and country: fometime by fecret irruption, fometime

Devil, the Pope

has conspired the

and tried to over-

6 II. I. Bloodthirsty Papists and Devil's-agent Jesuits.

The Pope has sent here bloodthirsty Papists

to stir up rebellions.

[1 Sig. B 6] These Devil's agents are calld Jesuits,

but their every deed and word is directly contrary to Christ's.

They delude the world with their trash.

[2 Sig. B 6, back

by open inuation, infurrection, and rebellion, fometime by open treason, sometime by secret conspiracie, and sometimes by one meanes, fometimes by another. And now of late attempted they the ouerthrowe and subuersion of hir Maiestie, people, country, and all by fending into the realme a fort of cutthrotes, false traitors, and bloudthirstie Papists, who vnder the pretence of religious men (in whom for the most part there is as much religion as is in a dog) fhould not onely lurke in corners like howlets that abhorre the light, creepe into noble mens bosoms, thereby to withdrawe hir Maiesties fubiects from their allegeance, but also moue them to rebellion, and to take fword in hand against Prince, country, yea, and against God himselfe (if it were possible) and to dispense with them that shall thus mischieuouslye behaue themselues. And forfooth these goodlie fellowes, the diuels agents, that must worke these feates, are called (in the 1 diuels name) by the name of Iesuites, seminarie preefts, and catholikes, vsurping to themselves a name neuer heard of till of late daies, being indeed a name verie blasphemously derived from the name of Iefus, and improperly alluded and attributed to themfelues. But what will it prenaile them to be like vnto Iefus in name onely, or how can they, nay, how dare they, arrogate that name vnto themfelues, whereas their doctrine, religion, life and whole profession, togither with their corrupt liues and conversations are directly contrarie to the doctrine, religion, life, and profession of Christ Iesus? There is nothing in the world more contradictorie one to another, than all their proceedings in generall are to Christ Iesus and his lawes, and yet will they, under the pretence of a bare and naked name, promife to themselves such excellencie, such integritie, and perfection, as GOD cannot require more, yea, fuch as doth merite Ex opere operato, Eternall felicitie in the heauens. And thus they deceive themfelues, and delude the world also with their trash: but of them inough.

Theod. Surely that country had neede to take heed to it felfe, to feare, and stand in awe, ²hauing so manie enimies on euerie side. And aboue all things next vnto the seruing of God, to keepe themselves aloose, and in any case not to trust them, what faire weather sower the make them. The sweeter the Syren singeth, the dangerouser is it to lend hir our eares: the Cocatrice neuer meaneth so much crueltie, as when he sawneth upon thee and weepeth: then take heed, for he

meaneth to fucke thy bloud. The stiller the water standeth, the more perilous it is. Let them remember it is an old and true faieng: Sub melle iacet venenum, Vnder honey lieth hid poison. Sub placidis herbis latitat coluber, vnder the pleasantest grasse, lurketh the venemoust adder. Take heed of those fellowes that haue Mel in ore, verba lactis, sweet words and plausible speeches: for they have Fel in corde, and Fraudem factis, Gall in their harts, & deceit in their deeds. So falleth it out with these ambidexters, these hollowe harted friends, These Jesuits are where they intend destruction, then will they couer it with the cloke or garment of amity & friendship; therefore are they not to be trusted.

hollow-hearted

Amphil. You say the truth. For I am thus persuaded, that he who is false to God (as all 1 Papists with their complices and adherents [1 Sig. B 7] are) can neuer be true and faithfull, neither to prince nor country. Therefore God grant they may be taken heed of betimes.

Theod. Confidering that this country of Dnalgne is enuied abroad with fo many enimies, and infested within by so many seditious Papists, and hollowe harted people, it is great maruell, that it can stand without great wars, and troubles. Belike it hath a wife politike prince, and good gouernors, either else it were vnpossible to preserue the same in such peace and tranquillitie, and that so long togither. I pray you therefore by what prince is the same gouerned, and after what maner?

Amphil. The whole realme or country of Dnalgne is ruled and England is gouerned by a noble Queene, a chaste Maide, and pure Virgin, who noble Queen, for all respects may compare with any vnder the sunne. In so much as I doubt not to call hir facred breast the promptuarie, the receptacle, or storehouse of all true virtue and godlines. For if you speake of wisdome, knowledge and vnderstanding, hir Grace is fingular, yea, ible at the first blush to discearne truth from falsehood, and salsehood trom truth, in any matter, how ambiguous or obscure soeuer: so as it may infly be called into question whether ² Salomon himselfe had greater light of wisedome instilled into his sacred breast, than hir Maiestie hath into hir highnes roiall minde. If you speake of learning and knowledge in the toongs, whether it be in the Latine, Greeke, learned in the French, Dutch, Italian, Spanish, or any other vsuall toong, it may be doubted whether Christendome bath hir peere, or not. If you speake

virtuous and godly, wise and understanding,

[1 Sig. B 7, back]

11. 1. The Queen's Council, and the Magistrates.

merciful

religious, just

more divine than earthly.

The Lord pre serve her ! [1 Sig. B 8]

of fobrietie, modestie, mansuetude and gentlenesse, it is woonderfull in hir Highneffe; yea, so affable, so lowly and humble is hir Grace, as fhe will not disdaine to talke familiarlie to the meanest or poorest of hir Graces subjects vpon special occasions. If you speake of mercie, and compassion to enery one that hath offended, I stande in fuspence whether hir like were euer borne. If you speake of religion, of zeale and feruencie to the truth, or if you speake of the vpright execution or administration of instice, all the world can beare witnes, that herein (as in all godlinesse else) hir Highnes is inferior to none that liueth at this day. So that hir Grace feemeth rather a drune creature, than an earthly creature, a vessel of grace, mercie and compaffion, whereinto the Lord hath powred euen the full measures of his superabundant grace, and heauenlie influence. The Lord increase the fame in hir ¹Highnes roiall breaft, and preferue hir Grace, to the end of the world, to the glorie of God, the comfort of hir Maiesties fubiects, and confusion of all hir enimies whatsoeuer.

Theod. What is hir Maiesties Councell? It should seeme that they must needes be excellent men, having such a vertuous Ladie and Phenix Queene to rule ouer them?

and experienst

who make the laws, which are carried out by

Magistrates.

Amphil. The Councell are Honorable and noble personages indeed, of great grauitie, wisedome, and pollicie, of fingular experience, modeftie and discretion, for zeale to religion famous, for dexteritie in giuing counsell renoumed, for the administration of iustice incomparable, finally, for all honorable and noble exploits inferior to none, or rather excelling all. So as their worthie deedes, through the golden trumpe of fame are blowne ouer all the worlde. The whole regiment of the Realme confifteth in the execution of good lawes, fanctions, flatutes, and conflitutions enacted and fet foorth by hir royall Maieffie and hir most honorable Councel, and committed by the same to inferior officers, and maiestrates to be put in practise, by whose diligent execution thereof, iustice is maintained, vertue erected, injurie repressed, and finne severely punished, to the great glorie of God, and ²common tranquilitie of the Realme in euery condition.

[Sig. B 8, back]

Theod. Is the lande divided into thires, counties, precincts, and ieuerall exempt liberties, to the ende inftice may the better be maintained? And hath enery county, thire, and precinct, good lawes in the fame for the deciding and appealing of controuerfies that happen

The Queen's Council are wise

in the same, so that they neede not to seeke further for redresse than in their owne shire?

Amphil. The whole land indeede is divided (as you fay,), into shires, counties, and seuerall precincts, (which are in number, as I take it, 40). In euerie which shire or countie, be courts, lawe daies, and leets, as they call them, every moneth, or every quarter of a yeere. wherin any controuersie (lightlie) may be heard and determined, so that none needs (except vpon fome speciall occasions) to seeke to other courts for deciding of any controuersie. But as there be good lawes, if they were executed dulie, so are there corruptions and abuses not a few crept into them. For fometimes you shall have a matter hang in sute after it is commenced a quarter of a yeere, halfe a yeare, yea, a twelue false judgment, month, two or three yeeres togither, yea, seauen or eight yeeres now and then, if either friends or money can 1 be made. This deferring of [1 Sig. C 1] iustice is as damnable before God, as the sentence of false iudgement is, as that bleffed martyr of God, Maister Latimer, hath said in a fermon made before King Edward the fixt. Besides this deferring and delaieng of poore mens causes, I will not say how iudgement is perverted in the end. I reed them take heed to it that be the authors thereof. Therefore the reformed churches beyond the seas are worthie of commendations; for there the Iudges fit in the open gates, streets, and high waies, that euery man that will, may speake vnto them, and complaine if he haue occasion. And so farre from delaieng, or putting of 2 poore mens causes be they, as they will not fuffer any matter, how weighty foeuer, to hang in fute aboue one day, or two, or at the most three daies, which happeneth verie seldome. But if the lawes within euery particular countie or shire were dulie administred without parcialite, and truly executed with all expedition, as they ought, and not so lingred as they be, then needed not the poore people to run 100, 200, yea 300, or 400 miles (as commonly they doe) to feeke inflice, when they might have it neerer home: through the want whereof, befides that their futes are like to hang in ballance peraduenture seuen yeeres, 8 they, having spent al, in the end fall to [2 Sig. C 1, back] extreme beggerie; which inconvenience might easilie be removed, if and perhaps wait for 7 years. all matters and causes whatsoeuer were heard at home in their owne shire or countie with expedition. And to say the truth, what sooles

shires and pre which Law-Courts are

But abuses have crept in : causes are delayd, and that's as bad as

Also poor folk miles off to get

10 II. I. Englishmen are very fond of going to law.

They spend their all, too, on greedy lawyers, are they (yea, woorthie to be inaugured fooles with the laurell crowne of triple follie) that, whilft they might have infice at home in their owne country, and all matters of controverfie decided amongst their neighbors and friends at home, will yet go to lawe two or three hundred miles distant from them, and spend all that they have to inrich a fort of greedie lawiers, when at the last a fort of ignorant men of their neighbors must make an end of it, whether they will or not. This, me thinke, if everie good man would perpend in himselfe, he would neither go to lawe himself, nor yet give occasion to others to doe the like.

Theod. I gather by your speeches that these people are very contentious and quarellous, either else they would neuer be so desirous of revenge, nor yet prosecute the lawe so seuerely for every trisse.

Amphil. They are very contentious indeed. Informuch as, if one give never fo fmall occasion to another, sute must straight be commenced; and to lawe go they, as round as a ball, till ¹either both, or at least the one, become a begger all daies of his life after.

Theod. But on the other fide, if they fhuld not go to lawe, then should they sustaine great wrong, and be injuried on every fide.

Amphil. Indeed the lawe was made for the administration of equitie and instice, for the appeasing of controuerses & debates, and for to give to every man (Quod fuum est) That which is his owne, but being now peruerted and abused to cleane contrarie ends (for now commonly the law is ended as a man is fr[e]inded) is it not better to suffer a little wrong with patience, referring the reuenge to him who saith: Mihi vindictam, & ego retribuam. 'Vengeance is mine, and I wil reward,' than for a trifle to go to lawe, and spende all that ever he hath, and yet come by no remedie neither? Our fauiour Christ biddeth vs, if any man will go to law with vs for our cote, to give him our cloke also, and if any man will give thee a blowe on the one cheeke, turne to him the other, whereby is ment, that if any man will iniurie vs, and doe vs wrong, we should not resist nor trouble our selves, but suffer awhile, and with patience refer the due revenge thereof to the Lord.

Englishmen are very contentious, and fond of going to law. [1 Sig. C a]

TheLaw was made to do right and to still strife, but it's now perverted to contrary ends.

Christ teaches us to suffer wrong patiently, and let God revenge it.

[2 Sig. C 2, back]

Amphil. Why? Is it not lawful then for one Christian 2 man, to go to lawe with another?

Amphil. The Apostle saith 'many things are lawfull which are not

expedient,' and therefore, though it be after a fort lawfull, yet for euery trifle it is not lawfull, but for matters of importance it is. And yet not neither, if the matter might otherwise, by neighbors at home, be determined.

Theod. Yet forne doubt whether it be lawfull or no for one Christian man to go to lawe with another for any worldly matter, bringing in the apostle Paule rebuking the Corinthians for going to lawe one with another.

St. Paul rebukes the Corinthians, who were Chris tians, for going to law before Heathens.

Amphil. The apostle in that place reprehendeth them not for going to law for reasonable causes, but for that they, being christians, went to lawe vnder heathen judges, which tended to the great difcredite and infamie of the Gospell. But certeine it is, though some anabaptists Quibus veritas odio est, and certeine other heritikes have taught the contrarie, yet it is certeine, that one christian man may go to lawe with an other for causes reasonable. For it being true, as it cannot be denied, that there is a certeine fingularitie, interest, and proprietie in euery thing, and the lawe being not onely the meane to conserue the same propriety, but also to restore it againe, being violate, is therefore lawfull, and may lawfully be attempted out, yet with this go to law. prouiso, that it is better, if the matter may otherwise be apeased at home, not to attempt lawe, than to attempt it. But if any schismatikes (as alas the worlde is too full of them) should altogether deny the vse of the lawe, as not christian, besides that the manifest word of God in every place would eafilie convince them, the examples and practifes of all ages, times, countries, and nations, from the first beginning of the world, togither with the example of our fauiour Christ himselfe, who submitted himselfe to the lawes then established, would quicklie ouerthrow their vaine imaginations. The lawe in it selfe, is the square, the levell, and rule of equitie and instice, and Law is the therefore who absolutely contendeth the same not to be christian, may well be accused of extreeme folly. But if the lawes be wicked and antichristian, then ought not good christians to sue vnto them, but rather to sustaine all kind of wrong whatsoeuer.

business to keep things straight,

Theod. Then it seemeth by your reason, that if the lawe be so necessarie, as without the which Christian kingdomes could not stand, then are lawiers necessarie also for the execution thereof.

² Amphil. They are most necessarie. And in my judgement a man [Sig. C 3, b.ck]

Lawyers are necessary, and can serve God; but English one don't, they've such cheveril

Lawyers take bribes, and beggar the poor, and

turn Law topsy-

Their fee is an Angel, 10s.

[Sig. C 4]

The abuses of our procedure and Prisons are frightful.

A man is clapt in irons, thrown into a dungeon, with only a little straw fit for a

dog; and there he lies, lice-bit, ill-fed, till he looks like a ghost, or dies.

He stops there for 3 months, 3 years, perhaps his whole life. can ferue God in no calling better than in it, if he be a man of a good confcience, but in *Dnalgne* the lawiers have fuch chauerell confciences, that they can ferue the deuill better in no kind of calling than in that: for they handle poore mens matters coldly, they execute inftice parcially, & they receive bribes greedily, fo that inftice is peruerted, the poore beggared, and many a good man iniuried therby. They respect the persons, and not the causes; mony, not the poore; rewards, and not conscience. So that law is turned almost topsie turuie, and therefore happy is he that hath least to doe with them.

Theod. The lawiers must needes be verie rich if they haue such large consciences.

Amphil. Rich, quoth you? They are rich indeede toward the deuill and the world, but towards God and heauen, they are poore inough. It is no meruaile if they be rich and get much, when they will not speak two words vnder an angell (for that is called a counsellers fee.) But how they handle the poore mens causes for it, God and their owne consciences can tell; and one day, I feare me, they shall feele to their perpetuall paine, except they repent and amend.

¹ Theod. How be judgments executed there vpon offenders, tranfgreffours, and malefactors? with equitie, & expedition, or otherwise?

Amphil. It greeueth me to relate thereof vnto you, the abuse therein are so inormous. For if a felone, homicide, a murtherer, or elfe what greenous offender foeuer, that hath deferued a thoufand deaths, if it were possible, happen to be taken and apprehended, he is straightway committed to prison, and clapt vp in as many cold yrons as he can beare, yea, throwne into dungeons and darke places under the ground, without either bed, clothes, or anything else to helpe himselfe withall, saue a little straw or litter bad inough for a dog to lie in. And in this miserie shall he lie, amongst frogs, toades, and other filthie vermine, till lice eate the flesh of2 his bones. In the meane fpace having nothing to eate, but either bread and water or elfe fome other modicum scarce able to suffice nature; and many times it hapneth, that for want of the same pittance they are macerate and thronke fo low, as they either looke like ghofts, or elfe are famished out of hand. And this extreme misery they lie in some time (perhaps) a quarter of a yeere, fometimes halfe a yeere, a

👞 1. Reprieves & Pardons are bought in England. 13

makemonth, yea, fometimes two or three yeeres, and perchance 1 all [1 Sig. C 4, back] Life, though they have deserved death, by their flagitious facts imitted. Who feeth not that it were much better for them to die nce, than to fuffer this extreme miserie? Yea, the sufferance of extremitie is better vnto them, than the tast of present death And therefore in the cities reformed beyond feas, there is able order for this: for as foone [as] any fellon or malefactor whatuer that hath deserved death is taken, he is brought before the istrate, witnesse comes in, and giues euidence against him, and rng found gilty, and conuict by inflice, is presently, without any ther imprisonment, reprination or delay, condemned, and being ndemned, is led prefently to the place of execution, and fo comted to the fword.

The oversea Reformd Cities try culprits at once, and execute em.

Theod. What is the cause why they are kept so long before they :.. execution in Dnalgne.

Imphil. Sometimes it commeth to passe by reason of (will doe will-do-all or otherwise called mony, and sometimes by freends, or both, for cine it is, the one will not worke without the other. Hereby it Will-Do-All, meth to passe, that great abuses are committed. For if any man hath freends and mony (as mony alwaies bringeth freendes with 1) chance to have ² committed neuer fo heinous, or flagicious a [² Sig. C 5] d, whether robbed, stollen, slaine, killed or murthered, or whatuer it be, then letters walke, freends bestir them, and mony carrieth . away: yea, and though the lawe condemne him, iustice conuicteth m, and good confcience executeth him, yet must he needes be prived, and in the meane time his pardon, by false suggestion for sooth, ruft be purchased, either for friendship or mony.

In England the

money, he's safe to get reprie

Theod. That is a great abuse, that he whom the lawe of God and f man doth condemne, should be pardoned. Can man pardon or him whom God doth condemne? Or shall man be more full in euill, then the author of mercie himselfe? it is God that emneth, who is he that can faue? Therefore those that ought by the lawe of God, are not to be faued by the lawe of man. we of God commandeth that the murtherer, the adulterer, the L magician and witch, and the like, should die the death. Is in the power or strength of man to pardon him his life? Although it be wilfull and purposed murther, yet is the

14 II. 1. One law for the Rich, another for the Poor.

The crime is set down to chance medley, accident. [1 Sig. C 5, back]

prince borne in hande that it was plaine chance medley (as they call it) meere cafuall, and fortunate, and therefore 1 may eafily be difpenfed withall. Indeede, the wisedome of God ordeined, that if any man chanced to kill an other against his will, he should flie to certeine cities of refuge, and so be faued, but if it were proued that he killed him wittingly, willingly, & prepenfedly, then he should without al exception be put to death. And herein is great abuse, that two hauing committed one and the fame fault, the one shall be pardoned and the other executed. If it be fo that both haue committed offence worthy of death, let both die for it; if not, why should either die? Experience prooueth this true, for if a Gentleman commit a greeuous offence, and a poore man commit the like, the poore shall be fure of his Sursum collum? But the other shall be pardoned. So Diogenes, feeing a fort of poore men going to hanging, fell into a great laughter. And being demanded wherefore he laughed, he answered at the vanitie and follie of this blind word. For, faith he, I fee great theeues lead little theeues to hanging. And to fav the truth, before God, is not he a greater theefe that robbeth a man of his good name for euer, that taketh a mans house ouer his head, before his yeeres be expired, that wresteth from a man his goods, his lands and liuings whervpon he, his wife, children and familie thould 2liue, than he that ftealeth a fheepe, a cow, or an oxe, for necessities fake onely, having not otherwise to releeve his neede? And is not he a great theefe that taketh great summes of mony of the poore (vnder the names of fees), and doth little or nothing for them? Though this be not theft before the world, nor punishable by penall lawes, yet before God it is plaine theft, and punishable with eternall torments in hel. Let them take heede to it.

poor man who steals from hunger?

If a Gentleman

and a Poor Man commit the same

offence, the Gentleman gets pardond, and the

Poor Man hung.

Yet isn't a grasping landlord or

lawyer, a bigger

[2 Sig. C 6]

Theod. Cannot the prince then pardon any malefactor?

Amphil. Some are of opinion that the prince, by his power imperiall and prorogatiue, may pardon and remit the penaltie of any law, either divine or humane, but I am of opinion that if Gods lawe condemne him, no prince ought to faue him, but to execute indgement and inflice without respect of persons to all indifferently. But in causes wherein Gods lawe doth not condemne him, the prince may pardon the offender, if there appeare likelyhoode of amendment in him. And yet let the prince be sure of this, to answere at the day of

No prince should pardon him whom God's law condemns.

iudgement before the tribunall seate of GOD, for all the offences that the partie pardoned shall commit any time of his life after. For if the prince had cutte him off when the 1 lawe had passed on him, that [1 Sig. C 6, back] euill had not been committed. To this purpose I remember I haue heard a certeine pretie apothegue vttered by a iester to a king. The king had pardoned one of his fubiectes that had committed murther, who, being pardoned, committed the like offence againe, and by meanes was pardoned the fecond time also, and yet filling up the measure of his iniquitie, killed the third, and being brought before the king, the king being very forie, asked why he had killed three men, to whom his iester standing by replied, saieng: "No (O king) he killed but the first, and thou hast killed the other two: for if thou hadft hanged him vp at the first, the other two had not beene killed, therefore thou hast killed them, and shalt answere for their bloud." Which thing being heard, the king hanged him vp straightway, as he very well deserved: yet notwithstanding, I grant that a prince by his power regall and prerogative imperial may pardon offenders, but not fuch as Gods lawes and good conscience doe condemne, as I said before. The power of a prince is comprehended In Relus licitis in Deo, but not in Rebus illicitis contra Deum: In things lawfull in God, not in things vnlawfull contrarie to God. No power or principalitie vpon the earth 1 what soeuer may dispense with the lawe of God, but [1 Sig. C 7] what it fetteth downe must stand inviolable. Therefore if it be asked me wherein a prince may pardon any malesactor, I answer, for only pardon only pardon breaches of man's breaches of man's the breach or violation of any humane lawe, ordinance, constitution, statute, or fanction, but not against Gods word and lawe in any condition.

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Theod. How is iustice ministered there, fincerely and truely, so as the poore have no cause instruction to complaine, or otherwise?

Amphil. If any haue cause to complaine (as alas too many haue) it is for want of due execution of the lawes, not for lacke of good lawes. For, God be praifed, there be many good lawes, but indeed now and then through the negligence of the officers they are coldly executed. But if the lawes there in force were without parcialitie dulie executed, there shuld be no iust occasion for any to complaine. And truly to speake my conscience there is great parcialitie in the magistrates and officers, nay, great corruption. For if a rich and officers

II. 1. Lawyers such marrow out of poor folks' bones.

The rich man is favourd against the poor.

Judges should go by justice, not by bribes.

Lawyers rob their poor clients by taking big fees,

and fees from 3 people when they can only do one's work.

The fees for warrants, &c.

[2 Sig. C 8]

The marrow's suckt out of poor men's bones Bailiffs take bribes to let de-fendants get away.

All officials should act with single eye to a single eye God's glory.

man and a poore man chance to have to doe before them, the matter I warrant you shall quickly be ended, and, my life for yours, shall go vpon the rich mans fide, notwithstanding the poore mans right be [1 Sig. C 7, back] apparent to all the world. But 1 if two poore men of equal effate go to lawe togither, then their fute shall hang three or foure yeeres, peraduenture seuen yeeres, a dozen, yea twentie yeeres, before it be ended, till either the one or both be made beggers. For reformation whereof, I would wish judges and officers to respect the cause, not the persons, the matter, not the gaine? and not to regard either letter or any thing else, which might be fent them to peruert true judgement. And inflice being ministred, then to read ouer their commendatorie letters in Gods name, remembring what the wife man faith: 'Gifts blinde the eies of the wife, and peruert judgement.' The lawiers I would wish to take lesse fees of their clients. For is not this a plaine theft before God, to take ten, twentie, or fortie shillings of one poore man at one time, and so much of a great fort at once, and yet to fpeake neuer a word for the most part of it? And notwithstanding that they can be prefent but at one barre at once, yet will they take divers fees of fundry clients to speake for them at three or foure places in one day. The other officers who grant foorth the warrants, the Subpænas, the Scire facias, and divers other writs, and those who keepe the feales of the fame, I would wish to take leffe fees also. For is not 2this too vnreasonable, to take a crowne, or ten shillings for writing fix or feuen lines, or little more. And then the keeper of the feale, for a little waxe, he must have as much as the other. And thus they fucke out (as it were) euen the very marrowe out of poore mens bones. The shirifs, bailifs, and other officers also, I would wish, for fees, for bribes, for friendship and rewards, not to returne a Tarde venit, or a Non est inuentus, when they have either fent the partie word to avoid covertly, or elfe, looking through their fingers, fee him, & will not fee him, forcing herby the poore plaintife to lose not only his great & importable charges in the lawe, but also peraduenture his whole right of that which he fueth for. Thus let euery officer by what kind of name or title foeuer he be called, or in what kind of calling foeuer he be placed, doe all things with fingle eie, and good conscience, that God may be glorified, the common peace maintained, justice supported, and their owne consciences dif-

11. 1. No Subject may take Arms against his Prince. 17

charged against the great daye of the Lorde, when all flesh shall be convented before the tribunall seate of GOD all naked as ever they were borne, to render accounts of all their dooings, whether they bee good or badde, and to receive a rewarde according to their deeds. 1By [1 Sig. C. 8, back] all which it appeareth, that if any for want of iustice have cause to complaine, it is thorow the corruption of iniquitie, auarice, and ambition of greedy and infaciable cormorants, who, for defire of gaine, make hauocke of all things, yea, make shipwracke of bodies and soules to the deuill for euer, vnlesse they repent.

Theod. How farre are princes lawes to be obeied, in all things Princes are to be indifferently without exception?

obeyd in all things not co

Amphil. In all things not contrarie to the lawe of God and good law. conscience, which, if they be against God and true godlinesse, then must we say with the apostles, Melius est deo obedire, quam hominibus, It is better to obey God than man.

Theod. If the prince than doe fet foorth a lawe contrarie to the lawe of God, and do constraine vs to doe that, that Gods word commandeth vs we shall not doe. In this or like case, may subjects lawfully take armes, and rife against their prince?

Amphil. No, at no hand, vnlest they will purchase to themselves But their subeternall damnation, and the wrath of God for euer. For it is not any case tal lawfull for the fubiects to rife up in armes against their liege prince them. for any occasion what foeuer. For proofe whereof we read that our [Sig. D. 1] fauiour Christ was, not onely obedient to the maigistrates, and superior powers in all things, but also taught his apostles, disciples, and in them all people and nations of the world, the very fame doctrine. therefore the apostle faith, Omnis anima potestatibus superioribus fubdita fit: Let every foule submit himselfe to the higher powers, for there is no power but of God. And he that refifteth this power, If subjects do, refisteth the ordinance of God, and purchaseth to himselfe eternall damnation. Peter also giueth the like charge, that obedience in all godlines be giuen to the superior powers, and that praiers and intercessions be made for kings and rulers, and giveth the reason why, namely, that we may lead Vitam pacificam, A peacable life vnder them.

Theod. Why? How than? If we shall not resist them, then we do obey them in any thing either good or bad.

SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUEBES, II.

If princes order things against God's law, subjects must lay down goods and life, and

[1 Sig. D. 1, back]

put their necks on the block. rather than dis-

Amphil. No, not so neither. In all things not contrarie to Gods word we must obey them, on paine of damnation. But in things contrarie to the word and truth of God, we are thus to doe. We must depose and lay foorth ourselves, both bodie, and goods, life, and time, (our 1 conscience onely excepted, in the true obedience whereof we are to ferue our God) euen all that we have of nature, and committing the same into the hands of the prince, submit our felues, and lay downe our necks vpon the blocke, choofing rather to die than to doe any thing contrarie to the lawe of God and good conscience. And this is that, that the apostles ment when they saide: It is better to obey God than man. Not that obedience to man in all godlinesse is forbid, but that obedience to God is to be preferred before the obedience to man.

Theod. What if the prince be a tyrant, a wicked prince, and an vngodly, is he notwithstanding to be obeied?

Even if the prince is ungodly, he's sent by God,

Amphil. Yea, truely in the same order as I have shewed before. For whether the prince be wicked, or godlye, hee is fent of GOD, bicause the Apostle saith: There is no power but of GOD. If the prince be a godlye prince, then is hee fent as a great bleffing from GOD, and if hee be a tyrant, then is he raifed of GOD for a scourge to the people for their finnes. And therefore whether the prince be the one, or the other, he is to be obeied as before.

and is to be obeyd. [Sig. D. 2]

Theod. And bee kings and rulers to 2 bee beloued, and praied for of their fubiects.

Amphil. That is without all doubt. For hee that hateth his prince in his hart, is a contemner of Gods ordinance, a traitour vnto GOD, and to his countreye: yea, hee is to loue his prince as well as himfelfe, and better, if better can bee, and to praye for him as for himselfe. For that an infinite number doe rest and depend vppon his Maiestie, which doe not fo yppon himselfe. So that the miscarrieng of him, were the destruction (peraduenture) of manye thousands.

Every one is to love his prince as himself.

Theod. This being fo, then hath Dnalgne great cause to praye for their prince, by whose woorthye indeuour, and wise gouernement, the ftate of that realme is fo peaceably maintained.

Amphil. They have great cause indeede not onely to love hit Maiestie, but also to praye for hir Grace, and whosoeuer will not doe fo, I befeech the LORDE in the bowels of his mercie, to stoppe their

May every Engwon't love and on't love am ray for Queen lizabeth, die Elizabeth, straight off!

breath, and to take them awaye quicklye from the face of the earth. For by hir Highnesse wise gouernement, the realme is in peace, Gods word flourisheth, and aboundance 1 of al things floweth in the same, [1 Sig. D. s, back] the Lord God be praised therefore, and preserve hir noble Grace long to reigne amongst vs. Amen.

Theod. Let vs proceed a little further: I pray you how is the youth As to Education, of that country brought vp, in learning or otherwise?

Amphil. The youth truely is well brought vp, both in good letters, nurture, and maners for the most part. For the better performance whereof, they have excellent good schooles, both in cities, townes, and countries, wherein abundance of children are learnedly brought But yet notwithstanding, some parents are much to be blamed in the education of their children, for the most keepe their sonnes to schoole but for a time, till they can write and read, and well if all but the boys stay only till they can that too and very seldome or never doe they keepe them so long at read and write; that too, and very feldome or neuer doe they keepe them fo long at their bookes, as untill they atteine to any perfect knowledge indeed. So that by this means learning doth, and is like, greatly to decay. And if one aske them, why they keepe not their children to schoole till they prooue learned, they will answer, "Bicause I see learning and learned men are little esteemed, and ne thinke the best of them can hardly live by the same. And therefore I will set him to an occupation, which will be alwaies fure." As herein they say 2 true, for I cannot but lament the small preferment now adaies that learning getteth in the world amongst men, & the smal account that is made of the fame. This is the cause why learning doth, and will in time, greatly decay. For who is he, that having spent all his substance vpon learning, yea, his bodie, strength, and all, and yet can hardly liue thereby, and maintaine himselfe withall, that will couet after learning, which is both so chargeable, and painfull to be come by?

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then they're put to business, be-

Theod. Be there not Vniuersities, colledges, and free schooles, where youth may bee brought vp in learning Gratis without any charges to their parents?

The free Colleges

Amphil. There are fuch places indeed. But alas they are abused & peruerted to other ends than was intended by them at the first. For whereas those places had great liuings, rents, reuenues & poslessions given to them, it was to this onely end and purpose, that those poore children whose parents were not able otherwise to mainfrom poor children to rich ones. [1 Sig. D. 3, back]

Unless a father can bribe the Master,

his son 'll not get into College or School.

The places are jobd, not given to the needy.

In poor schools, Schoolmasters are so badly paid that pupils snort in palpable ignorance all their days.

12 Sig. D. 4]

Every Schoolmaster should be examind for character and knowledge, taine them at learning, should be brought vp vpon the charges of the house, and not those whose parents are able to maintaine them of themselues. But now we see the contrarie is true, and whereas they were given to maintaine none but the poore only, now 1 they maintaine none but the rich onely. For except one be able to give the regent or prouost of the house, a peece of mony, ten pound, twentie pound, fortie pound, yea, a hundred pound, a yoke of fatte oxen, or a couple of sine geldings, or the like, though he be never so toward a youth, nor have never so much need of maintenance, yet he comes not there, I warant him. If he cannot prevaile this way, Let him get him letters commendatory from some of reputation, and perchance he may speed, in hope of benefite to insue. So that the places in the vniversities and free schooles, seeme rather to be solde for mony and frienship, than given gratis to them that have neede, as they ought to be.

Theod. Are there not many inferior scholes in the country besides, both for the instruction and catechising of youth?

Amphil. There are fo, almost in every parish. But alas, such small pittance is allowed the schoolmaisters, as they can neither buy the libraries, nor which is lesse, hardly maintaine themselves; which thing altogither disuadeth them from their bookes, and is occasion why many a one snorteth in palpable ignorance all daies of their life.

Theod. Would you have any man without exception, to take vppon him the office of a 2 schoolmaister, and to teach the youth?

Amphil. No, at no hand. First I would wish that every one that is a schoolmaster, how learned or valearned soever, should be examined, as wel for his religion, and his sufficiencie in knowledge, as also for his integritie of life, & being found sound in them all, to be alowed & admitted to teach. For if everie one that wold, should take vpon him to teach without further triall, then might there great inconvenience follow. For papists and other schissmatikes, apostates, or else whatsoever, might thrust in themselves, & so corrupt the youth. Ignorant & valearned would take vpon them high learning & so delude their schoolers. And if his life should not be answerable to his profession, then should he pervert his auditoric also Therefore in my judgement is there great choise to be made of schoolmaisters. Thus they being tried, let them be admitted grants.

and then pay no fees to teach.

by authoritie. But now there is great abuses herein, for being found sufficient in all respects, yet must be be constrained to take a license, whether he will or not, and must pay xxvi. or xx. shillings for it, & Now he must yet will this ferue him no longer than he tarieth in that dioces, & for a license for comming into another he must pay as much there for yo like license teaches in. also, whereas peraduenture he shall scarcely get 1 so much cleere in [1 Sig. D. 4, back] three or foure yeeres in that dioces, they have fuch fat pasture. But if they would needes have them to have licenses, (which I grant to be very good,) I would wish they might have them gratis, without mony, for if it be lawfull for them to teach for mony, it is also lawfull without. And if they be not woorthie it is pittie that mony should make them woorthie; and againe, if they be woorthie, it is pittie that without mony they cannot be fo accepted.

Theod. What way were best to be taken for the good education of youth?

Amphil. It were good (if it might be brought to passe) that in Every Parish ought to have its ray parish throughout the Realme there were an indifferent able. Schoolmaster euery parish throughout the Realme, there were an indifferent able man appointed for the inftruction of youth in good letters, having a reasonable stipend alowed him of the same parish for his paines, But now they teach and take paines for little or nothing, which vtterly discourageth them, and maketh manie a cold schooler in Dnalgne, as experience daily teacheth.

Theod. Be there men of all kinde of trades, occupations, and Asto Tradesmen, artes, as there be in other countries.

Amphil. Yea, truely: there are men of all sciences, trades, English Artisans mysteries, faculties, occupa2tions, and artes whatsoeuer, and that as any under the cunning as any be vnder the funne. Yea, so expert they be, as if [2 Sig. D. 5] they would let a thing alone when it is well, they were the brauest workmen in the world. But as they feeke to excell and furpaffe al other nations, in finenes of workmanship, so now and than they reape the fruits of their vaine curiofity, to their owne detriment, hinderance, and decay.

Theod. How live the marchant men amongst them? are they rich and wealthy, or but poore?

Amphil. How should they be poore, gaining as they do, more then The Merchants halfe in halfe in euerie thing they buy or fell? And which is more, fometimes they gaine double and triple; if I faid quadruple, I lied not.

II. I. Merchants export goods wanted at home.

Theod. I pray you how can that be fo?

Amphil. I will tell you. They have mony to lay foorth vpon euerie thing, to buy them at the first and best hand, yea, to ingrosse, and to store themselves with abundance of al things. And then will they keepe these marchandize till they waxe verie scarse, (and no maruaile, for they buy vp all things) and so consequently deere. And then will they fell them at their owne prices, or elfe (being able to ['Sig. D. 5, back] beare the mony) they will keepe them ftill. By this 1 meanes they get the deuill and all; befides thefe, they have a hundred flights in their budgets to rake in gaine withall.

They buy up the whole stock of an article, hold it till

it gets dear, and then sell it at

Theod. I pray you, what be those?

Merchants also buy up English goods and export them.

Amphil. They will go into the countries, and buy vp all the wooll, corne, leather, butter, cheese, bacon, or else what marchandize soeuer they knowe will be vendible, and these they transport ouer seas, whereby they gaine infinit fummes of mony.

Theod. That is woonderful that they are fo permitted: are there no lawes, nor prohibitions to the contrarie, that no wooll, corne or leather, shoulde be transported ouer seas?

Traitors to God and their country they are, dodging the laws by buying the Queen's

Amphil. There are good lawes, and great restraints to the contrary, in fo much as they be apparent traitors to God, their prince and

country, that carrie any of the forefaid things ouer without speciall licence thereto. Yet notwithstanding, either by hooke or crooke, by night or day, by direct or indirect meanes, either knowne or vnknowne, they wil conveigh them ouer, though their owne country want the fame. But to avoide all dangers, they purchase a licence & a dispensation for mony, bearing the prince in hand that they do it for some good cause, when indeed the cause is their owne 2 private gaine. And for the speedier obtaining of their defires, they demand license for the cariage ouer but of fo much and fo much, when in truth they convey ouer, under the colour of this their license, ten times, twenty times, yea, a hundred times, fiue hundred times, yea, a thoufande times as much more. And thus they delude their prince, impouerish their country, and inrich themselues, feeding, clothing and inriching our enimies with our owne treasure. Hereby it commeth to passe that all things are deerer, and scarser, than otherwise they would be if reftraynt were had, and I warrant them many a blacke curse have they of the poore commons for their doing.

[2 Sig. D. 6]

and then exporting 500 times as much as they've leave to. They thus make things dear; and

many a black curse do they get from the poor

Theod. Would you not have licenses granted for the transporting ouer of fuch things for no cause?

Amphil. Yes. But first I would have our owne people served, that they wante not in any cafe. For it is very vnmeete to feede We ought to feed forren nations, and our owne country famish at home. But if it first. were fo, that Dnalgne flowed in abundance and plentie of all things, whatsoeuer are necessarie for the vse and sustentation of man in this life, and other nations (prouided that they bee our freendes ¹ and of plus to friendly lands. christian religion) wanted the same then would I wishe that some of [1 Sig. D. 6, back] our superfluitie might be erogate to them, to the supplie of their necessities, but not otherwise. And this standeth both with the lawes of God, charitie, and good conscience.

Theod. These are maruellous sleights to get mony withall. But I pray you, haue they no more?

Amphil. They want none, I warrant you; for rather than to faile, they have their false weights, their counterfet ballances, their adulterate measures, and what not, to deceive the poore people withall, and to rake in mony. But the Wise man telleth them, that false ballances, counterfet weightes, and vntrue measures, are abomination to the Lord. And the Apostle telleth them, that God is the just revenger of all those that deceive their brethren in bargaining. And yet shall you haue them, in the fale of their wares, to sweare, to teare, and protest, that 'before God, before Iesus Christ, as God shall saue my soule, as God shall iudge me, as the Lord liueth, as God receiue me, as God helpe me, by God and by the world, by my faith and troth, by Iesus Christ,' and infinite the like othes, that such a thing cost them so much, & fo much, and it is woorth \$2 this much and that much, when [Sig. D. 7] in truth they sweare as false, as the liuing Lord is true, as their owne consciences can beare them witnesse, and I seare me will condemne them at the day of the Lord, if they repent not. For if a thinge coft them ten shillings, they will not blush to aske twentie shillings They'll not blush for it. If it cost them twentie shillings, they will not shame to aske what cost 'em forty shillings for it, and so of all others, doubling, tripling, and quad- fear of God rupling the price thereof, without either feare of God, or regard of good conscience.

Theod. What say you of the Drapers and cloth sellers? live they in the same order that the other doe?

Merchants use false weights and

And they swear by all that's holy that their wares and are worth so

II. I. Drapers and Clothmakers' dodges. 24

Amphil. Of Drapers I have little to fay, fauing that I thinke them

And the Drapers are as bad.

They rack and stretch their cloth, so that it won't keep out

cater cofins, or cofin germans to merchants. For after they have bought their cloth, they cause it to be tentered, racked, and so drawne out, as it shall be both broader and longer than it was when they bought it almost by halfe in halfe, or at lest by a good large fife Now the cloth being thus stretched forth in euery vaine, how is it possible either to endure or hold out; but when a shower of raine taketh it, then it falleth and shrinketh in, that it is shame to see it. Then have they their shops and places where they 1 fell their cloth commonly very darke and obscure, of purpose to deceive the buiers. But Caucat empto (as the old faieng is) Let the buiers take heed. For Technas machinant, & retia tendant pedibus, as the faieng is : 'They meane deceit, and lay snares to intrap the feet of the simple.' And yet notwithstanding, they will be sure to make price of their racked cloth, double and triple more than it cost them. And will not sticke to fweare, and take on (as the other their confraters before) that it coft them fo much, and that they doe you no wrong. God give them grace to have an eie to their consciences, and to content themselves

[1 Sig. D. 7, back] They have dark shops, to take buyers in.

They charge 100 per cent. profit, and swear the goods cost em all the money.

Theod. I thinke there is great fault to bee found in the first The Clothmakers makers of the cloth, for the naughtinesse thereof, as well as in the Drapers, is there not?

> Amphil. No doubt of that. For some put in naughty wool, and cause it to be spun & drawne into a very small thred, and then

> compounding with the Fuller to thicke it very much, and with the

Clothier also to sheare it very lowe, and with some liquide matter to

are a bad lot too.

with reasonable gaines.

ought, or endure long?

They use bad wool; get the Fuller to thicken it, and the Clothier to shear it low; then they sell it for fine

They stretch it too.

Theod. Be there Goldsmithes there any store also, as in some other Our Goldsmiths countries there be?

[Sig. D. 8]

lay downe the wooll fo close, as you can hardly see any wale, and then felleth it as though it were a very fine cloth indeed. Other fome mixe good 2 wooll and naughty wooll togither, and vfing it as before, they will fell it for principall good cloth, when it is no thing leffe. And then for their further aduantage, euery vaine, euery joint, and every thred must be so tentered and racked, as I warrant it for euer being good after. Now, it being thus tentered at his hands, and after at the Drapers handes, I pray you how should this cloth be

Amphil. There are inow, and more than a good meanie. are (for the most part) very rich and wealthye, or else they turne the fairest side outwards, as many doe in Dnalgne. They have their shops and stalls loaded with and stalles fraught and bedecked with chaines, rings, golde, filuer, and what not woonderfull richly. They will make you any monster or antike whatsoeuer, of golde, filuer, or what you will. They have store of all kinde of plate whatsoeuer. But what? Is there no deceit in all thefe goodlye shewes? Yes, too many. If you will buy a chaine of golde, a ring, or any kinde of plate, besides that you shall paye almost halfe in halfe more than it is woorth (for they will perfuade 1 2 you the workmanship of it comes to so much, the fashion to so much, and I cannot tell what:) you shall also perhaps haue that golde which is naught, or else at least mixt with other drossie rubbage, and refuse mettall, which in comparison is good for nothing. And sometimes, or for the most part, you shal have tinne, lead, and the like, mixt with filuer. And againe, in some things some will not sticke to sell you filuer gilt for gold, and well if no worse too now and then. But this happeneth very feldome, by reason of good orders, and constitutions made for the punishment of them that offend in this kind of deceit, and therfore they feldome dare offend therein, though now and then they chance to stumble in the darke.

Theod. Haue you good wines in Dnalgne?

Amphil. Indeede there are excellent wines as any be in the world, yet not made within the Realme, but comming from beyond feas: which when the vintners have once got into their clouches, and placed in their fellers, I warrant you they make of one hogshead almost vintners mix two, or at lest, one and a halfe, by mixing & blenting one with good; another, & infufing other liquor into them. So that it is almost vnpossible, to get a cup of pure wine of it selfe at the tauerne. But harshe, rough, stipticke, and hard wine, neither pleasant to the mouth, [P Sig. E 1] nor wholfome to the bodie. And notwithstanding that they gaine (welneare) one hogshead in another, yet shall their measures, their gallons, pints, and quarts be so spare, and their prices so hie, that it is give short woonderful to see. And if a poore simple man go to drinke a pint palm off bad of wine for the strengthening of his bodie, and for necessities sake onely, he shall be sure to have that wine brought him, that is too bad, though his monie (I am fure) is as good as the rich mans. But

usade *orig.*] Sig. D 8, back] Goldsmiths mix gold with base alloy; and some sell silver-gilt

26 Butchers' Tricks. Greedy Grasiers' profits.

if a man of countenance come to drinke for pleafure & niceneffe, he shall have of the best wine in the seller, though his mony be no beter than the poore mans. With infinite the like abuses, which I omit.

Theod. Haue you anything to fay of Butchers, and those that kill and sel meate to eate?

Butchers are impudent enough to try and make 100 per cent profit!

Butchers let the blood soak into their meat.

[1 Sig. E z, back]

They puff lean meat up with air, and pin fat on it.

Some 'll also sell meat that has died in a ditch.

[* for for, orig.]

[3 Sig. E 2]

Meat is dear. Greedy grasiers keep up the price of beasts.

Amphil. Nothing but this: that they are not behind in their abuses, fallacies, and deceits. For whereas they pay a certeine price for a fat beefe, they are fo impudent that they thinke their market is naught, except they may gaine halfe in halfe, or the best quarter at the leaft. And to the end their meate may be more faleable to the eie, the fairer, and the fatter, they will kill their beafts, and suffer the bloud to remaine within them still, for this cause that 1 it may incorporate it felfe in the flesh, and so thereby the flesh may not onely be the weightier (for in fome places they buy all by waight) but also may feeme both fresher, fairer, newer, tenderer, and yonger. And, which is more commonly, they vie to blowe and puffe it vp with winde, to the end it may feeme bigger, fatter, and fairer to the eie. Or if the meate it felfe be leane, and naught, then will they take the fat of other meate, and pin vpon the same very artificially, and all to delude the eies of the beholders. And though it be neuer fo old meate, tough, and stale, yet will they sweare, protest, and take on woonderfully, that it is very new, fresh and tender. So that no more in them than in others, there is little conscience at all. There be fome of them also now and then that will not sticke to fell meate which hath died (perchance) in a ditch, if it be worth the eating (which is most lamentable), and yet wil beare the world in hand that it is excellent meate, that it died kindly, and fo foorth. So that hereby infinite difeases are caught, and manie times present death infueth to the eaters thereof.

Theod. Is meate deere or good cheape there for 2 the most part?

Amphil. It is commonly deere, feldom good ³cheape, and the reason is, bicause a fort of infaciable cormorants, greedie grafies I meane, who, having raked togither infinite pasture, feed all themselues, and will not sell for anie reasonable gaine, and then must the Butchers needes sell deere, when as they buildeere.

11. 1. Evils of enclosing Commons & making Parks. 27

Theod. Why? would you have no grafiers? then how coulde there bee anie meate fatted?

Amphil. Yes I would have grafiers. But I would not have a few rich cobe rich cobs to get into their clowches almost whole countries, so as the poore can haue no releefe by them. For by this meanes pastures and groundes are not onely excessively deere, but also not to be got of any poore men for monie, whereby it commeth to passe, that the poore are impouerished, and the rich onlie benefited. Yea, so greatly are the poore hereby inthralled, that they can hardly get a and stop poor peece of ground to keepe fo much as a poore cow or two vpon for the maintenance of themselues, and their poore samilies. This is a great abuse: for by this meanes rich men eate vp poore men, as beafts eate vp graffe.

Rich men eat up poor ones as beasts do grass.

Theod. Doe the gentlemen and others, take in commons & inclosures (as your words feeme to implie) for their better feeding?

¹ Amphil. Yea, almost all indifferently. For whereas before was [1 Sig. E 2, back]

any commons, heathes, moores, plaines, or free places of feeding for the poore and others, euen all in generall, now you shall haue all feuerall, inclosed, and appropriate to a few greedy gentlemen, who The gentry will neuer haue inough, till their mouths be full of clay, and their folk's co bodie full of grauell. Commons and moores which were woont

to be the onely staie of the poore, & whervpon eche might keepe cattle, both neate and sheepe, according to his estate, are now taken from them, wherby manie are constrained either to famish, or else and make em to beg their breade from doore to doore. So that in proces of time, if these inclosures be suffered to continue, the state of the whole Realme will mightily decay, a few shall be inriched, & many a thousand poore people, both men, women, and children, in citie and country,

might turne out a cow, or two, & certeine numbers of sheepe to the commons, and haue them kept well vpon the same, both winter & fommer, freely without costing them ought; whereas now they are inclosed, made seueral, and imploied to the private commoditie

of a few ambicious gentlemen, so as the poore man cannot keepe fo Nowhe can't much as a pig or a goose vpon 2 the same.

vtterlie beggered. Oh it was a goodlie matter, when the poore man A good time it

keep a goose [* Sig. E 3]

Theod. It is great pittie that such oppression of the poore should be borne withall or fuffered in any of what degree foeuer.

28 11. 1. Sheep turn-out Men. Wool-sellers' Tricks.

Amphil. It is fo. But what than? You thall have fome that, not for the benefit of grafing and feeding onely, will take in commons, and inclosures, but also some that for vaineglorie, worldly pompe,

promotion & foolish pleasure, will not sticke to pull downe whole

townes, fubuert whole parifles, and turning foorth all a begging, rather than to faile, make them parkes, chafes, warrants, and I cannot tell what of the fame. And when they have thus done, their bucks,

their does, their flags, harts, hinds, conies and the like, not onely not

fead intra gyrum fuum, Within their circuit, but eate vp and denoure all the poore mens fields, corne, graffe and all. So that it is hard if any poore mans corne scape their fangs within a dozen myles com-

Then vain rich men pull down villages to male parks and warrens;

and their conies eat up poor men's corn,

paffe, which is a pitifull and a lamentable case.

Theod. Would you not have parkes, and chases for game?

Parks must not be made out of poor men's livelihoods.

[1 Sig. E 3, back]

Amphil. I disalow them not. But I would not have them to be made of the poore mens livings, nor yet to stand to the prejudice of the whole country adioining. Therefore if they 1 will have parkes and chases, First let them see that they be of their owne proper lande, and then that they be no annoiance to the country about, and then let them have them, in the name of God.

Theod. Be there any grafiers of sheep there also?

[s rend Too]

Commons are inclosed; and instead of a village you've only a shepherd and a dog.

Some graniers keep from 500 to 20,000 (7) sheep,

(* Sig. E 4) They cheat in selling their wool, mixing bad with good;

Amphil. Two2 manie, if it pleased God. For nowe euerie meane gentleman, if he can pretend (though neuer fo little) title to any common, heath, moore or pasture, he will have it, quo iure, quaue iniuria, Either by hooke or crooke. And wheras before time there hath bin a whole parish or towne maintained vpon the same, now is there no bodie there dwelling, but a fheepeheard and a dogge lolling vnder a bush. Thus are whole parishes and townes made praies to rich grafiers. Yea, you shall have some grafiers to keepe five hundred, a thousand, fiue thousand, ten thousand, twentie thousand sheepe of his owne at one time: now judge you what infinite commodities ariseth hereof. Besides that, when they sell their wooll (as though they gayned not inough otherwise), it is a worlde to see what fubtilties, (I will not faie what falfities), they vie in the fale thereof. As first to intermixt and blente the good and naughtie wooll 8 togither. to winde it vppe cloofelie that it shall not be seene within. And which is more, because they sell all by waight, they will not sticke to vse finister meanes to make it pease well in waight. Some lay it, after if

11. 1. Landlords rack Tenants. Incoming Fines. 29

is clipped from the sheepes backe, in a moyst seller, vnderneath the grounde, to the ende that the moysture, humiditie and wette of the feller may instill into it, and so may pease the more. Othersome will cast wette salt into it, which in time will liquisie, and cause it to be the waightier. With manie other the like wicked fleights and legerdimeanes, whereof, for that I would rather give them a taste in hope of amendment, then a plaine description for feare of displeasing them, at this time I will omit to speake any more till further occasion be offered.

Theod. Is the lande there possessed in common, or else is their propertie in all things, and fo confequently landlords?

Amphil. There is not onelie a propertie in lands there, but also in all things else, and so landlords inow more than be good ones iwis.

Theod. Doe they let out their lands, their farmes, and tenements, fo as the poore tenants may liue well vpon them?

¹ Amphil. Oh no. Nothing lesse. But rather the contrarie is [1 Sig. E 4, back] most true. For when a gentleman or other hath a farme or a lease to let: first he causeth a surveior to make strict inquirie what may be get their farms made of it, and how much it is woorth by yeere; which being found only rack the out, and fignified to the owner, he racketh it, straineth it, and as it were fo fetteth it on the tenter hookes, stretching euery vaine, and ioint thereof, as no poore man can liue of it. And yet if he might haue it freely for this racked rent too, it were somewhat well. But (out alas, and fie for shame) that cannot be. For though he pay neuer so great an annual rent, yet must be pay at his entrance a fine, or (as they call it) an income of ten pound, twenty pound, forty pound, threescore pound, an hundred pound, whereas in truth the purchase thereof is hardly woorth so much. So that hereby the poore man, if hee haue scraped any little thing togither, is forced to disburse it at the first dash, before he enter the doores of his poore farme, wherein, what through the excessive fine, and the vnreasonable rent, he is fcarse able to buy his dog alose, liuing like a begger, or little better, all his life after. The time hath beene, and not long fince, when men feared God & loued their brethren, that one might haue had a house, with pasture 2 lieng to it, yea good farmes, leases and [Sig. E 5] liuings for little or nothing. Or (as fome hold) for a Gods penie, as they called it. But howfoeuer it be, certeine it is, that that farme or

Landlords

30 II. I. Landlords should not grind their Tenants.

Rents have rises swentyfold of late years. leafe, which one might have had then for ten shillings, is now woorth ten pound. For twentie shillings, now is woorth twentie or threefcore pound. For fortie shillings, is now woorth fortie pound, or a hundred pound and more.

Theod. Then I perceiue, they let not out their land after the old rent: doe they?

Amphil. No. You may be fure of that, they loue nothing worfe. They cannot at any hand brooke or digest them that would counsel them to that.

Theod. Why? Haue not landlords authoritie, and may they not make as much of their owne lands as they can? They count that good policie, and I haue heard them fay: Is it not lawfull for me to liue vpon mine owne, and to get as much for it as I can?

Landlords should think that they've only the use of the land; and so they ought to give the poor a chance of living by it. [1 Sig. E 5, back]

Amphil. They must first consider that the earth is the Lords (as the Pfalmograph faith : Domini est terra, & plenitudo eius, The earth is the Lords, and the fulneffe thereof) and all that dwelleth therein. And therefore being the Lords in propertie, it is theirs but in vie onely. And yet not fo. But that they lought to lay it foorth to the fupport of the poore, that all may liue iointly togither, & maintaine ye state of the common wealth to Gods glorie. For other wife, if a few rich cobs shuld have al, & the poore none, it shuld come to passe, that the flate of the common wealth would foone decay, & come to confusion. They ought also to consider how they came by their lands, whether by right or wrong. If by right, then are they bound by Gods lawe, and good conscience, to let forth the same so as the poore may well liue vpon them. But if they posses them wrongfully, then ought they to furrender their tytle, and give it to the right heire: but take them with that fault, & cut of their necks: No man ought to poole and pill his brother, nor yet to exact and extort of him more than right and reason requireth, being sure that the same measure which he measureth to others, shal be measured to him againe. Euery one must so deale with his owne, so let it out, & so liue, as others may line by him, and not himself alone, for the earth is comon to al Adams children; & though fortune haue given more abundance to fome than to other fome, yet dame nature hath brought foorth al alike, & will receive them againe into hir wombe alike alfo. And therefore ought euerie christian to doe to others, as they would wish to

No man ought to plunder his fellow-man,

but do to him as he'd be done by. be done to: which lawe, if it were observed well, would cut of all [sig. E 6] oppression whatsoeuer.

Theod. I pray you, how came noble men and gentlemen by their lands at the first?

Amphil. Cicero faith that in the beginning, before the world was impeopled, men comming into huge & wast places inhabitable, either toke to themselves as much land as they would, or else wan it by ye fword, bought it by purchase, had it by gift, or else received it from their forefathers, by lineal discent, or hereditary possession. Which faieng of his must needes be true, both in the people of the former world & in vs also. Then seeing this is so, ought not every good christian to set forth his lande, so as poore men may liue upon it as wel as himselfe: whosoeuer doth not this, eschewing al kind of rents. exaction, polling, pilling & shauing of his poore tenants, he is no perfect member of Christ, nor doth not as he would be done by.

Theod. You talked before of fines, and incomes: what if a poore man be not able to paye them, what then?

Amphil. Then may he go sue ye goose, for house gets he none, ye deuill shal haue it before him, if he will give him mony inough: no, if ye fine be not paid (thogh the rent be neuer so gret) he shall haue a fig, affone as a house. If y' a poore man haue got neuer so litle a stock to liue vpon and to 2 maintaine his occupation or trade withall, yet shall be be constrained to sell the same, yea, peraduenture Fines to Landall the goods and implements he hath, to pay this fine, so that during ye whole terme of his life, he shall hardly recouer the same againe. And then his lease being expired, out of doores goes he, for that he is not able to pay as great a fine or greater than before. Thus are many a one, with their wives, children, and whole families, turned out a beging, and die, not a fewe of them, in extreeme miserie.

[Sig. E 6, back]

Theod. I thought one might have had a farme or a lease for a reasonable rent yeerely, without any fine or income paieng.

Amphil. One would thinke fo. For, paieng as much yeerely, as can be made of the thing it felfe: I wonder what deuill put it into their heads to receive such fines and incomes, to vndoe the poore withall. The deuill himselfe, I thinke, will not be so straite laced, nor yet so nigard to his feruants, as they are to their poore tenants. For whereas they will not let out a farme or a lease for one and twentie yeeres

The Devil him-

(1 Sig. E 7]

Some cheat their tenants out of the first year or two's rent when paid in advance.

Landlords force tenants to renew their Leases at heavy fines,

and make 'em forfeit their Leases too.

[* Sig. E 7, back]

Leases and Conveyances are also terribly long, and contain so many provisoes that a poor man can hardly keep em all.

without a great fine, the deuill will give them his whole territorie and kingdome of hell, to their inheritance for euer, and that freely, paieng nothing for the same. And yet notwith1standing all this. There are fome landlords, (nay lewdlords) that having racked their rents to the vttermost, exacted fines, & made all that ever they can of their farmes, will yet proceede further, and as men neuer content with inough, will have their poore tenants to pay a yeere or two yeeres rent before hande, promifing them (before they have it) that they shall pay no more rent yeerelie, till the same be runne vp. But when they have it, they pay their yeerely rent notwithstanding, and neuer receive any restitution for the other. And at everie change forfooth they must take newe leases, and pay new fines, being borne in hand that their leafes before are infufficient, and of no effect. And fometimes foure or fine yeres, yea ten, twentie, fortie, or fiftie years before their former lease be expired, shall they be constrained to renue their leafes, and difburfe great fomes, or elfe haue their houfes taken ouer their heads. Befides, as though these pollages and pillages were not ill enough, if their leafes be not warely and circumspectly made (all quirks and quiddities of the lawe observed), they will finde such meanes (or elfe it shal go verie hard) that the poore man shall forfait his leafe, before his leafe be expired: which thing if it happen, out goes the poore man, 2 come on it what will.

Theod. Are the inftruments, the writings, & conuciances in that land fo intricate, as they are hard to be kept, for fo I gather by your words?

Amphil. Yea, truly. For whereas in times past when men dealt vprightly, and in the seare of God, fixe or seuen lines was sufficient for the assurance of any peece of land whatsoeuer, now 40. 60. 100. 200. 500. nay a whole skin of parchment, and sometimes 2. or 3. skins will hardly serue. Wherin shalbe so many provisoes, particles, & clauses, & so many observances, that it is hard for a poore ignorant man to keep halfe of them: and if he fail in one of the lest, you know what followeth. In former time a mans hare word was sufficient, now no instrument, hand, nor obligation can be sure inough. Fy vpon vs! what shal become of vs? we are they of whom the prophet speaketh, saieng: There is no faith, there is no truth nor righteousnes lett vpon the earth. God be mercifull vnto vs!

Theod. Seing that farms and leases are so deere, I am persuaded that euerie thing else is deere also: is it not so?

And yet it is strange, Amphil. Yea truly it cannot be chosen. that in abundance of althings there shuld be dearth of all things, as there is.

Theod. Who is it long of, can you tell?

1 Amphil. Truly of the landlords onlie in my fimple iudgment: [1 Sig. E 8] for whenas they inhance the rents, & fet their fines on tenter as the only cause they do, how should the poore man do? Must he not sel al his things a great deale the deerer? Else how shuld he either saue himselfe, pay his rent, or maintaine his familie: so that these greedy landlords are the very causers of al the derth in Dnalgne; for truly they are worse than the caterpillers & locusts of Egypt, for they yet left fome thing vndeuoured, these nothing; they spoiled but for a time, these for euer: those by commandement from God, these by commission from the diuel.

Landlords are

Theod. How, I pray you, doe these iollie fellowes spend these wicked gotten goods?

Amphil. I shame to thinke, & I blush to tell you how. For, for the most part, they spend it in dicing, carding, bowling, tennise plaieng, in rioting, feafting & banketing, in hauking, hunting, & other the like prophane exercises. And not onlie vpon these things do they ipend their goods (or rather the goods of the poore) but also in pride their Summum gaudium, & vpon their danfing minions, that minf it ful gingerlie, God wot, tripping like gotes, that an egge would not brek vnder their feet. But herof inough, & more than perchance wil plese their deinty humors.

Theod. Do they exceed in pride of apparel, or are they very As to Apparel, temperate, & fober minded people?

²Amphil. They are not onely not inferior to any nation in the [2 Sig. E 8, back] world in the excesse of apparell, but are farre woorser, if woorser can be. For the taylers doe nothing else but inuent new fashions, Tailors invent disguised shapes, and monstrous formes of apparell euery day. Yea turely I thinke they studie more in one day for the invention of new toies, and strange deuises in apparell, than they doe in seauen yeeres, yea, in all the daies of their life, for the knowledge of Gods word.

Theod. Me thinke then by your reasons it seemeth, that Tailors D

≺HAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES, II.

II. I. Tricks of Tailors. Cheating Drapers.

and are the monstrous English dress

are the causers of all that monstrous kind of attire worne in Dnalgne. and so consequently are guiltie of all the euill committed by the same.

Amphil. You fay very truly. For Mali alicuius author, ipfius

[Sig. F 1] Tailors ask one fourth too much cloth, and more lace, for a coat.

And they charge too high for making it.

They're in league with the Draper, to cheat their customers.

[2 Sig. F 1, back]

mali, & malorum omnium, quae ex inde orientur, reus erit coram Dec. The author of any euill, is not onely giltie before God of the euill committed, but also of all the euill which springeth of the same. Therefore I would wish them to beware, and not Communicare alienis peccatis, To be partakers of other mens finnes, for be fure they shall finde inough of their owne to answer for. But so far are they from making conscience hereof, that they heape vp finne vpon finne. For if a man laske them how much cloth, veluet, or filke wil make a cote, a dublet, a cloke, a gowne, hofen, or the like, they must needs haue fo much, as they may gaine the best quarter thereof to themfelues. So play they with the lace also: for if tenne yards would ferue, they must have twentie; if twentie would serue, they must have fortie; if fortie woulde ferue, they must have fixtie; if fixtie would ferue, they must an hundred, and so forward. Besides that, it must be so drawne out, stretched, and pulled in in the fowing, as they get the best quarter of it that way too. Then must there as much go for the making, as halfe the garment is woorth. Befides this, they are in league, and in fee, with the Drapers and Clothfellers, that if a man come to them to defire them to helpe them to buy a peece of cloth, and to bring them where good is, they will ftraightway conduct them to their feer, and whatfoeuer price hee fetteth of the cloth, they perfuade the buier it is good, and that it is woorth the money, whereas indeed it is nothing fo, nor fo. And thus they betwixt them divide the spoile, and he (the tailor) receives his wages for his faithfull feruice done. If a man buy a garment of them made, hee shall have it very faire to the eie (therfore it is true : Omne quod gliscit non 2eft aurum, Euerie faire thing is not the best) but either it shall be lined with filthie baggage, and rotten geare, or elfe stretched & drawne out vpon the tenter, fo as if they once come to wetting, they thrinke almost halfe in halfe, so as it is a shame to see them. Therefore I aduife euery one to fee to his garments himfelfe, and according to the old prouerbe: Sit oculus ipfi coquus, Let his eie be his best cooke, for feare left he be ferued of the fame fauce, as manie haue beene to their great hinderance.

11. 1. Great Ruffs worn. Starching-Houses for Ruffs. 35

Theod. I have heard it faide that they vie great ruffes in Dnalgne: As to Ruffe, do they continue them still as they were woont to doe, or not?

Amphil. There is no amendement in any thing that I can see, neither in one thing nor in other, but every day woorfer and woorfer, for they not only continue their great ruffes still, but also vie them bigger than euer they did. And whereas before they were too bad, ud be ashamd to put on. now they are past al shame & honestie, yea most abhominable and detestable, and such as the diuell himselfe would be ashamed to weare the like. And if it be true, as I heare fay, they have their starching houses made of purpose, to that vse and end only, the better to trimme and dresse their russes to please the diuels eies withall.

such as the

Theod. Haue they starching houses of purpose made to starch in? Now truly that passes 1 of all that euer I heard. And do they nothing [1 Sig. F 2] in those brothell houses (starching houses I shuld say) but onelie starch bands and ruffes?

Amphil. No, nothing else, for to that end only were they erected, & therefore now are confecrate to Belzebub and Cerberus, archdiuels of great ruffes.

Theod. Haue they not also houses to set their russes in, to trim and Trimming Houses too them, and to trick them, as well as to starch them in?

Amphil. Yea, marry haue they, for either the same starching houses (I had almost said farting houses) do serue the turn, or else they have their other chambers and secret closets to the same vse, wherein they tricke vp these cartwheeles of the diuels charet of pride, leading the the Devil's direct way to the dungeon of hell.

Amphil. What tooles and instruments have they to set their ruffes withall. For I am perfuaded they cannot fet them artificially inough without some kind of tooles?

Amphil. Very true: and doe you thinke that they want any thing that might fet forth their diuelrie to the world? In faith fir, no, then the diuell were to blame if he should serue his clients so, that maintaine his kingdome of pride with fuch diligence as they doe. And therefore I would you wist it, they have their tooles and instruments for the purpose.

² Theod. Whereof be they made, I pray you, or howe?

Amphil. They be made of yron and steele, and some of brasse kept as bright as filuer, yea, and some of filuer it selfe; and it is well,

11. 1. Putters and Setting-Sticks. Bad Leather.

if in processe of time they grow not to be gold. The fashion whereafter they be made, I cannot refemble to anything fo well as to a

fquirt, or a fquibbe, which little children vsed to fquirt out water

withall; and when they come to starching, and setting of their ruffes then must this instrument be heated in the fire, the better to stiffen the ruffe. For you know heate will drie and stiffen any thing. And if you woulde know the name of this goodly toole, forfooth the deaill

hath giuen it to name a putter, or else a putting sticke, as I heare fay. They have also another instrument called a fetting sticke, either

of wood or bone, and fometimes of gold and filuer, made forked wife

at both ends, and with this (Si diis placet) they fet their ruffes. But bicause this cursed fruit is not yet grown to his full persection of ripenesse, I will therefore at this time say no more of it, vntil I here

like a Squirt or Squib.

calld Putters or Putting-Stick Setting-Sticks they have too, for their cursed Ruffs.

more.

Theod. What is the leather in that country? excellent good, and wel tanned, or but indifferently? I have heard fome complaine of it.

[1 Sig. F 3]

Some Leather is only half

and won't keep out water.

Amphil. There is of both forts, as of all things else; but as there is fome naught (I can not denie) so is there othersome as good as any is vnder the funne. And yet I must needes confesse, there is great abuse in the tanners, makers, curriers, and dreffers of the same: for you shall have some leather scarcely halfe tanned, so that within two or three daies or a week wearing (especially if it come in any west) wil ftraight-way become browne as a hare backe, and which is more, fleete and run abroad like a dishclout, and which is most of all, will holde out no water, or very little. And the faieng is (Erubefco dicere, I shame to speake it) that to the ende they may faue lyme and barke, and make the speedier returne of their mony, they will take vp their hides before they bee halfe tanned, and make fale of them. And as herein they are faultie and much to be blamed, fo in the furprifing of their hides, they are worthie of reprehension. For that which they buy for ten shillings, they will hardly sell for twentie shillings; that which they buy for twentie shillings they will not willingly sell for fortie shillings. And thus by this meanes, they make shooes unresfonable deere.

Theod. Then the fault is not in the shoomakers onely, that shoos be fo deere?

[Sig. F 3, back]

²Amphil. There is fault inough in them also. For whereas the

others inhanse the price of their hides excessively, these selowes racke it very vnconcionably. And yet if the shooes were good, though deere, it were fomwhat tollerable; but when they shall be both naught, and yet deere too, it is too bad, and abhominable. Now if you aske the shoomakers in whom the fault doth consist, they will answere you strait, in the tanner. But this is certeine, that as there is a horrible fault in the tanner, so there is more, or as much in the shoomaker. For first of all the shoomaker liquoreth his leather, with waterish liquor, kitthen stuffe, and all kinde of baggage mingled togither. And as though that were not ill inough, they saie they vse to put salt in the liquor, wherewithall they greafe the leather of purpose, to the ende that the leather shal neuer hold out water. And truelie it is verie likelie they doe fo, or foine such like thing, for surelie almost none of their leather will holde out water, nor scarselie durt neither. Besides this, it is a worlde to see how lowfely they shall be sowed, with hotte alles, and burning threedes, euerie stitch an inch or two from another, They sow with fo as with-in two or three daies you shall have them seamerent and all rotten thread too betorne. And yet as though this were not 1 ill inoughe, they adde [1 Sig. F 4] Sometimes they will fell you calues leather for cow leather, horse hides for oxe hides, and truelie I thinke rotten sheepe skins for they sell you horse-hide for good substantial & dureable stuffe. And yet shall a man pay for these as well as for better stuffe. And to the ende they may seeme gaudie to the eie, they must be stitched finelie, pincked, cutte, karued, rased, nickt, and I cannot tell what. And good reason, for else would they neuer be fold. The inwarde foole of the shooe commonlie shall be no better than a cattes skinne, the heeles of the shooes shall be little better. And if the sooles be naught (as they be indeede yet must they be vnderlaied with other peeces of leather, to make them seeme thicke and excellent stuffe, whereas indeede they are nothing leffe. And to make the fooles stiffe, and harde, they must be parched before the fire, and then they are most excellent sooles, And They parch the fuch as will neuer be worne, no, I thinke not in halfe a coopple of daies, which is a woonderfull thing. Oh, farewell former worlde, for I haue hearde my Father saie, and I thinke it most certeinely pair of shoes useep the wet true, that a paire of shooes in those daies woulde have kept a man as out, and last a drie as a feather, though he had gone in water all the daye thorowe, ²yea, all the weeke thorow, to the very last day, and would haue (² Sig. F 4, back)

won't keep out

38 II. I. Of Brokery. Rascally Brokers of clothes, etc.

Now, they'll hardly last a month. ferued a man almost a whole yeere togither, with a little repairing. But now fiue or fixe paire, halfe a score, yea, twentie paire of shoes will scarsely serue some a yeere, such excellent stuffe are they made of. But let all shooemakers, tanners, and the rest, take heed, for at the day of judgement they shal render accounts for this their doing. And here-of hitherto.

Theod. Be there any Brokers, or fuch kind of fellowes in your country?

Amphil. If it be a thing that is good, it is a doubt whether it be there, or no, but if it bee naught (as brokerie is) then past peraduenture it is there.

Brokers are

Theod. What maner of fellowes are those Brokers, for truly their profession, and the vse thereof, is vnknowne to me, saue onely that I have heard of some of their dealings?

Amphil. Seeing that you are ignorant of this goodly mysterie, and high profession of brokerie, and also so desirous to knowe the truth of them, I will in few words (as briefly as I can) declare vnto you the fubstance thereof. These Brokers are iolly fellowes forfooth, and fuch as in the beginning of their occupation, haue either iust nothing, or elfe very little 1 at all, who, when they have attempted, and affaied by all kind of meanes and waies to liue, and cannot by any of them al either any thing thriue, or which is leffe, not fo much as maintaine their poore estate withall, though but meanly, then fall they into acquaintance with loofe, diffolute, and licentious perfons, either men or women, to whom all is fifth that comes to net, and who have limed fingers, liuing vpon pilfering, and stealing, and of these ther buy for little or nothing, whatfoeuer they shal have filched from any. And thus by this meanes in processe of time, they feather their nests well inough, and growe (many of them) to great substance and wealth.

Theod. Will they buy any thing whatfoeuer commeth to hand?

Amphil. Yea, all things indifferently without any exception. All is good fifth with them that comes to net. They will refuse nothing whatfoeuer it be, nor whom-foeuer bringeth it, though they be neuer to suspitious, no, although it be as cleere as the day, that it hath been purloined by finister meanes from some one or other. And can you have them.

for half its value: blame them For why? They have it for halfe it is woorth.

jolly fellows

[1 Sig. F 5] who, not being able to live by anything else,

make friends with thieves, and buy everything these steal,

Amphil. What wares be they (for the most part) which these Brokers doe buy and fell?

¹Amphil. I told you they wil refuse nothing. But especially they [Sig. F 5, back] buy remnants of filks, veluets, fatins, damasks, grograins, taffeties. lase, either of filke, gold, filuer, or any thing else that is worth ought Othersome buy cloakes, hosen, dublets, hats, caps, coates, stockings, & the like. And these goodly marchandize, as they have them good cheape, fo they will fel them againe to their no small gaines.

Theod. If this be true, that they will receive all, and buy al that comes to hand, than it must needes be that this is a great prouocation to many wicked persons, to filch & steale whatsoeuer they can lay their hands vpon, feing they may have such good vent for ye same. Is it not?

Amphil. You say very true. And therefore I am perswaded that This dunghill this duughill trade of brokerie newly sprong vp, & coined in the deuils minting house, the shoppe of all mischiese, hath made many a theefe more than euer would have bin, & hath brought many a one to a shamefull end at Tiburne, & else where. Yea, I have hard prisoners (and not any almost but they fing the same song) when they have gone to execution, declaime & crie out against brookers. For, faid they, 'if brokers had not bin, we had not come to this shamefull death; if they would not have received our stollen goods, we woulde neuer 2 haue stollen them; and if we had not stollen them, we [* Sig. F 6] had not bin hanged.'

Brokery's made many thieves, and brought

Theod. Then it seemeth by your reasons, that brokers are in effect Brokers ought accessary to the goods feloniouslie stolen, & are worthie of the same punishment that the others that stale them are worthy of?

Amphil. They are so, if before they buy them they know precifely that they are stolen, & yet notwithstanding will not onely willingly buy them, but also rather animate, than disanimate them to perseuere in their wickednes, as this their greedy buieng of their wares doth argue that they doe. This maketh many a tailer to aske more cloth, more filk, veluet, & lace, than he nedeth, & all to the ende the broker may have his share; for, be they never so litle scraps or shreds or short ends of lace, or smal peces of veluet, satan, silk or ye like, the broker will give mony for them, with a wet finger. This maketh many servants to pilfer, filch, & purloin from their masters, servants pilfer.

makes Tailors

Brokers are seedbeds of villainy. fome a yard or two of veluet, fatin, taffety, lace, filk, & what not, fome hats, cots, cloks, & the like, & fome one thing, fome another: this hindereth the merchant man, is discomodious to ye tailer, & beneficial vnto none, but to themselues: & therfore, as they be the seminaries of wickednes, so I besech God, they may be supplanted, except they amend, which I hardly looke for at their hands.

[1 Sig. F 6, back]

¹ Theod. What woulde you have them to do, that they may exercise their trade, with good conscience, both before God, and the world?

To deal honestly, Brokers should buy only goods honestly comeby, Amphil. I would wish them to doe thus, which, if they would doe, they might vie their trade in the feare of G O D, both with good conscience before the Lord, with honestie before the world, and finallie to the lesse detriment of the common wealth. First, let them be sure, that the goods which they buy be truely and justly come by of the sellers thereof. And to the end, that herein they may not be deceived, Let them examine the matter strictly, where they had it, whose it is, vpon what occasion they would sel it. And in conclusion not to buy it, vntill they have gone themselves to the right owners of the goodes, and if they find all things well, that they may with good

conscience buy it, let them give reason for it, else not. And if eueric brooker would deale thus, their would not so many false knaues bring them such lauish of stollen goods, as they do, neither should their

and should find out the owners themselves.

Theod. You faide before (except I be deceived) that if they know before they buy any wares, that the fame is stollen, if they than buy them, they are accessary to the same goods so 2 felonionsly stollen, & so are worthing of the same punishment, that the principals are woorthing of. I pray you, what punishment is inflicted upon accessaries in Dnalgne.

trade grow, as it doth, into hatred and contempt.

[* Sig. F 7]

Amphil. Acceffaries are punishable by the lawes of Dnalgne with the same punishment that the principals are to be punished withall (for so the lawe standeth); but in the execution thereof, we see the cleane contrarie practised. For when as a theese, or a fellon stealeth any thing, hee bringeth it to his receiver, who, though he knowe it to be stolen, yet with alacritic admitteth it into his custodie, and reteined it, hereby making himselfe accessorie, and guiltie of the selonie committed. And yet notwithstanding when execution is to be done for the same, the principall is (peraduenture) hanged vp, the other that

Brokers get out of the claws of Justice. is the accessorie is not once spoken of, nor none can saie 'blacke is his eie.' But howfoeuer it be, I cannot be otherwise persuaded, but that the receivers and acceffories are a great deale more woorthie of death (by the penall lawes) than he who stealeth the thing it selfe, whatfoeuer it be. Bicause if they had [not] any to receive their stolen goods, they would not steale at all. And therefore are the receivers (in my fimple opinion) rather the authors, and the principals (especially if 1they know before they receive it, that it is stolen) then they that ['Sig. F 7, back] commit the fact, and being the authors of the euill comitted, they are to be punished rather than the perpetrators of the fact it selfe. But for want of due punishment to be executed as well vppon the Against these, and like evils, we one as vppon the other, we see greeuous crimes, and flagicious facts without all remorfe, or feare of God, daily committed. Good lawes put in force. there are, both for the repressing of these, and al other enormities whatfoeuer, but the want of the due execution thereof, is the cause why all wickednes and mischiese dooth reigne and rage euerie where as it doth: God amend it, if it be his good pleasure! And thus much briefly of the noble science of brokerie.

Theod. What hospitalitie is there kept, or reliefe for the poore? Amphil. Very smal. For as for the poore tenants and commons, they are not able to maintaine any hospitalitie, or to give any thing to the poore, their rents are so raifed, & their fines fo inhanfed, and yet notwithstanding they minister (I am persuaded) more releese to the poore than the rich & wealthie doe: more poore are fed at their dores than at the rich: more clothed at their hands than at the rich, & more lodged and harboured in their poore houses, than in the ²rich. But yet can I not denie but that the gentlemen, & others, keepe sumptuous houses, lusty ports, and great hospitalitie, but so as the pore hath the lest part thereof, or rather just nothing at all. the poore come to their houses, their gates be shut against them, sew scraps. where they, standing frost and snow, haile, wind or raine whatsoeuer, are forced to tary two houres, 3. 4. yea fometimes halfe a day, and then shal they have but the refuse, and the very scraps neither. And well if they have anything too; in steed whereof they are sometimes sent to prison, clapt in irons, manicled, stocked, and what not. is the almes that most men give.

* ?=suffering, putting up with; or is 'in' left out ?

But Receivers deserve hanging more than the

tho in fact they

Gentlemen keep o as grand houses, by make poor folk stand for hours

Of Beggers

Theod. Then it feemeth that the poore are fimplie prouided for?

Amphil. They are fo indeed, God amend it. And yet I am not fo full of foolish pittie that I would have all kind of beggers indifferently without any exception to be fed and nourished vpon the sweat of other mens browes.

Theod. Doe you make a difference of beggers then? Are there two forts of them?

we have two kinds, the Strong, (who won't work;

[1 Sig. F 8, back]

Drones, who ought to be put in prison till they do work;)

and the old, sick, and diseasd.

The Sturdy Beggars who can work, and won't,

I'd just hang.

[2 Sig. G 1]

The aged and sick ones I'd have kept in their own parish, and rate richer parishes for em. Amphil. Yea, there are two forts. One fort is of frout, firong, luftie, couragious, and valiant beggers, which are able to worke, and will not. These at no hand are not to be relieued (for qui non operatur non manducet, ¹ saith the apostle, He that will not worke, let him not eat) but are to be compelled to worke, and not to liue vpon other mens labours. For he that releeueth these, maintaineth them in their idlenesse, and taketh awaie the childrens bred, and gineth it to dogs. These are as drone bees, that line vpon the spoile of the poore bees that labour and toile to get their liuing with the sweat of their faces. If such sellowes as these will not worke, but line vpon begging, let them be punished and imprisoned till they be content to worke. The other fort of beggers are they that be old, aged, impotent, decrepite or lame, sicke, sore, or diseased: these I would wish should be looked vnto: and these are they that euerie Christian man is bound in conscience to releeue.

Theod. What order would you have observed in these respects?

Amphil. The former fort of sturdie valiant beggers, which are able to worke and will not, I would wish them to be compelled to worke, or else not to have any releefe given them. And if they would not work, to punish them; if that will not ferue, to hang them vp. But herein I would wish a prouiso, that being content to worke, they might have maifters prouided them, with reasonable wages, for many would faine 2 worke, and can get none; and than if they will not worke, to Tiburne with them. The other fort of beggers, which are either halt, lame, impotent, decrepite, blind, ficke, fore, infirme and difeafed, or aged and the like, I woulde wish that they should be maintained, euerie one in his owne parish, at the costs and charges of the same. And if the parish be not able to maintain fo manie, then that there should be collections & contributions made in other parishes to supplie their want, and so the former poore people

to be maintained therevpon. For wante of which godlie order and constitution, there are infinite of the foresaid persons that die, some in ditches, some in holes, some in caues and dens, some in fields, some in one place, some in another, rather like dogs than christian people. For notwithstanding that they be neuer so impotent, blind, lame, fick, old, or aged, yet are they forced to walke the countries from place to place to feeke their releefe at every mans doore, except they wil They get no relief except by wandering about sterue or famish at home, such unmercifulnes is in Dnalgne. Yea, in fuch troups doe they flocke, and in fuch fwarmes doe they flow, that you can lightlie go no way, but you shall see numbers of them at You see poor aged and sick euerie doore, in euerie lane, and in euerie poore caue; and as though this were not extremity inough 1 they drive them from citie to citie, from parish to parish, from towne to towne, from hundred to hundred, from shire to shire, and from country to country, like flocks of sheepe. I' Sig. G z, back] Here they dare not tarrie for this Iustice, nor there for that Iustice, here for this man, nor there for that man, without a licence or a pasport, wheras a man woulde thinke their old age, their hoare haires, their blindnesse, lamenesse, and other infirmities, shoulde bee pasports good inough for them to go abrod withal, if they cannot get releefe at home. But if the former order, that every parish should maintaine their poore, were taken, then should they neither need to go abroad, nor otherwise want their daily releefe.

Theod. Are there no hospitals, spittles, lazar houses, almes houses, nor the like, for the releefe of these poore people?

Amphil. Yes there are some such in cities, townes, and some other places, wherein manie poore are releeued, but not the hundred part of those that want. For the supplie wherof would God there might be in eueric parish an almes house erected, that the poore (such as are poore indeede) might be maintained, helped and relieued. For vntill the true poore indeed be better prouided for, let them neuer thinke to please God. Is it not great pity when a man can passe 2 no waie [2 Sig. G 2] almost neither citie nor country, but shall have both halt, blind, lame, old, aged, ficke, fore, & diseased, hanging vpon his sleue, and crauing of releefe? Whereas, if the former order were established, then should none at al need to go abroad, but al shuld have sufficient and then the poor at home. The reformed churches beyond feas, and euen the French, at home. Duch, & Italian churches in Dnalgne are worthie of great com-

every door; and they're driven

Not a hundredth part can be relievd in our Hospitals.

We want an

44 II. 1. Our Husbandmen are skilful, but rack-rented.

The Reformd Churches abroad and the foria ones here, set us a good example in this. mendations herin, & shal rise vp at the day of iudgment to our condemnation except we repent & amend our vnmercifulnesse towards the poore. These good churches, following the counsel of the almighty who biddeth that there be no begger amongst vs, suffer neuer a one of their countrymen, nor yet any other dwelling in their parish, to beg or aske almes without his parish, nor yet in his parish neither; but by mutual contributions and collections maintaine them, & minister to their necessities in all things, Which thing G O D grant the churches of Dnalgne may once begin to practise amongst themselves, that God may be glorified, and the poore members of Christ Iesus releeued and maintained.

Our Husbandmen, or Farmers, are as skilld as any in the world.

[1 Sig. G 2, back]

Theod. Be there husbandmen there & fuch others as manure and till the ground, for the further increase of fruits, to the maintenance of the commonwealth?

¹ Amphil. There are of fuch indeed good ftore, and as excellent men in that kinde of exercife, as any be voon the earth. They know exactly, I warrant you, the times and feafons of the yeere, when euerie kinde of graine is to be fowed, and what ground is beft for euerie kinde of corne. They are not ignorant also, howe to culture & dreffe the fame; and it it be barren, what kind of dung is beft to fatten the fame againe. They know the nature, the propertie, and qualitie of euerie foile, and what corne it will bring. They know also when the ground is to be tilled, when not, how long it will bring foorth good corne, how long not, when it ought to rest, when not, with all things else incident to the same.

Theod. I thinke they have good farmes and tenements, that are able to furnish their ground in this fort, for otherwise they were not able to keepe their oxen, their horses, their servants, and other necessaries, belonging thereto: have they not so?

But many have very poor farms,

and others only houses with no land, [2 Sig. G 3] Amphil. No truely have they not. For fome have fuch fatte farmes, and tenements, as either will bring forth no corne at all (in a manner) or if it doe, verie little, and that not without great cost bestowed vpon it. Othersome have houses with no lande belonging to 2 them at all, and yet notwithstanding shall pay a good round some for the same also. And no marueile, for landlords and gentlemen take all the lands and lyuelode wherevon there poore tenants shoulde live, into their owne hands, and suffer not the poore husband-

men to have fo much ground as will finde them corne for the maintenance of their poore families, nor which is more, scarcely to keepe one cow, horse, or sheepe vpon, for their continuall releefe. Or if they have any, they shall pay tenne times so much as it is worth, to their vtter vndooing for euer. But if landlords would confider that the earth is the Lords, and all that is therein, and that it is theirs, but onely in title, interest and propertie (hauing their souereigntie, or chieftie thereof) and the poores in vse and possession, and if they would remember that the poore ought to liue vpon the earth as well as they, than would they not vse such tirannie, such exactions, such pooling, and pilling, and the like, as they doe without all compassion.

or hardly enough

Theod. There being such store of husbandmen, and the same so expert in their agriculture as your words import they be, it must needes follow, that there is great plentie of corne, and all kinde of other graine, and the same verie good cheape: is it not so?

We've lots of

¹Amphil. There is great store of corne, and all kind of graine, no [1 Sig. G 3, back] nation vnder the funne like vnto it; but as I told you before, thorowe the infatiable greedines of a few couetous cormorants, who for their owne priuate commoditie, transport ouer seas whole mountaines of but the corne, it is made fometimes very scarse. Other-wise there would be gret store at al times. And whereas you say it is good cheape, it is nothing lesse², as euerie daies successe prooueth true.

Theod. How can that be, that there being fuch store of corne, yet Its dearness should be deare also.

Amphil. I will tell you. It commeth to passe three manner of waies. First, for that landlords racke their rents so extreemely, and z. Rack-rents, aduance their fines fo vnreasonably, that the poore man is forced to fell euerie thing deere, otherwise he should not be able to pay his landlord his due, whereas if he had his fearme good cheape, he might afforde to fell good cheape. The fecond cause is (as I haue said), for that the same is carried and conueighed ouer Seas. The third cause is, thorow a forte of ingrators, or forestallers, who intercept euerie thing before it come at the market, or else being come to the market, and having mo⁸ ney at will, buy vp either all, or the most part, and carieng it into their celles, and garners at home, keepe it till time of the yeere that corne is scarse, and so consequentlie deere.

2. Export over

Ingraters or buying it up, [3 Sig. G 4] and keeping it till it gets scarce and dear

2 It's any thing but that. It's dear.

46 II. I. Ingraters' Dodges. Farmers' tricks.

These hellish Ingraters make everything dear. And when there is want of it, then they fell it deere, and when there is plentye, then they make it deerer by buying it vppe in whole heapes as they doe. Thus you fee, by this meanes, these hellishe ingratours, and forestallers make come and all thinges else deere, all times of the yeere. Nowe judge you what a horrible abuse is this, for one man to buy vppe all things, and that not for anie neede or want in himselfe, but to sell it againe, deerer then they bought it, thereby to inriche himselfe with the impouerishing of many a thousande.

Theod. Is there not punishment for this horrible abuse, for me thinke great inconveniences doe followe it?

We have laws against Forestallers, but they invent putoffs to dodge the Law. [2 Sig. G 4, back]

They buy only for their families: they grow all their corn;

they get a man to buy for em, &c.

But these jolly fellows

can't take-m God. He'll expose em. [* Sig. G 5]

Husbandmen

Amphil. There be great penalties, and forfaitures ordained, as well for the repressinge of this, as of any other outragious abuse; but they playe with this as with all other good lawes, they invente quirckes and quiddities, shiftes, and put offes ynough 1 to blinde the eies of the magistrates, and to deliuer themselues (trimly, trimly) from the danger and penaltie of the lawe. For they will fay that they buy but for the necessarie prouision of their owne families, and not to fell againe. And then when they doe fell it againe, they will beare you in hande it was of their owne tillage. Or if this way will not serue the turne, then procure they another man to buy it with their owne mony vnder his owne name, and fo to fell it againe when hee feeth tyme; but who hath the commoditie, judge you. But if all these waies faile, then buie they it couertly, and fell it againe as couertly; and thus they buy and fell their owne foules for corruptible monie, which in the last day shall beare witnesse against them, and confume them: yea, as Saint Iames faith: The monie which they have vniustlie got with the polling and pilling of the poore, shall rife vp in judgement against them, and the rust thereof shall eate and deuoure their flesh as it were a canker. But let these iollie felowes (as fubtil and as politike as they would feeme to be) take heed vnto themselues, and beware: for though they can blinde mens eies, and deceive their judgements, yet let them be fure that they can not deceive the judgement of the Lord, but he 2that made the eies shall furely fee, and he who knoweth the fecrets of all harts, shall one day declare the fame to their perpetuall confusion, except they repent.

Theod. What be these husbandmen? honest, plaine dealing and

II. I. Our Husbandmen can teach the Fox to cheat, 47

fimple persons, and such as in whom there is no abuse; or else fraudulent, deceitfull and craftie persons?

Amphil. They are for the most part verie simple and plaine men tho they look so in outward appearance, yea, such as if you sawe them, and heard them talke, you would thinke they had no gall, or that there were nothing in them in the world. But if you looke into their dailie exercises, practifes, and deeds, you shall find them as craftie and subtill in their are as crafty kind, as the deuill is in his, if it be possible. For the simplest of them all, if he make a bargaine with another, he wil be fure to make it so as he himselfe may gaine by it. And it is well, too, if the other though neuer fo wife, circumspect, or prouident, be not vtterly deceived (or to speake in plainer termes, cosoned at their hands), such fubtiltie, fuch policie, and fuch craftie conueiance, they practife vnder the garment of fimplicitie. Yea truly, it is growne to be almost their profession to deceiue, defraud, and beguile their brethren, insomuch as they count him a wife man, a worldly 1 felow, and fuch a one as [1 Sig. G 5, back] will line in the world, that can not deceiue, and beguile men in bargaining. This is their 2 Columbina fimplicitas, (Nay rather, Vulpina, et ferpentina astutia) which Christ would have al his children to practise in all things, all daies of their life. But so farre from this christian fimplicitie are many, that their whole life (almost) is nothing else, than a continuall practife of fraud, and deceit, as for example: You shall have some that, sending come to the market to be sould, they will put good corne in the top or mouth of the bag, to feeme faire to the eie, and in the bottome of the facke, very good also (that when it is powred forth of the same, it may yet seeme exceeding good still,) but in the middest shall be neuer a good corne, but such as is mustie, sprouted, and naught. Whereof can be made neither good bread nor drinke, for mans bodie. I have knowne othersome, that having a barren cow, and being defirous to put hir away, haue taken a calfe from another melch cowe, and fo folde the former barren cowe with hir adulterate calfe, for a melche cowe, whereas shee was nothing leffe.3 With infinite the lyke fleights, which for breuities fake I omit.

Theod. I perceive then it is good for a man to be warie, that deales with these simple 4 fooles?

2 Orig. there. ³ Anything but that. See p. 45; p. 54, 1. 2.

[4 Sig. G 6]

48 H. I. Sellers to be honest & tell Faults in Goods.

The Fox may go to school to em.

They tell lies about the animals they want to sell. Amphil. It were good fo indeede, else he may chaunce to cough himselfe a dawe for his labour. For I tell you, the foxe, for all his crafte, may go to schoole to these selowes, to learne the rudiments of deceit and craft. Such skilfull Doctors are they herein. If they sell you a cow, an oxe, a horse, or a mare, they will set the price on him, I warrant you, and with-all will protest and take on woonderfullie, that hee is but this olde, and that olde, this yoongue, and that yoongue. And which is woorst of all, though they knowe a hundred faultes by them, yet will they not reueale anye vnto him that buyeth the same, which is a playne, and a mainsest deceite before the LORDE, and one daye shall be answered for, I dare be their warrante.

Theod. Would you have everie man to declare to the buyers the faultes and imperfections, which they knowe to be in those thinges they sell? then should he sell but a little.

Amphil. Euery true christian ought to do so, or else, besides that he doth not to others, as he would wish to be done to (for this is the chaine wherwith euery christian is bound to another,) he also breketh the cords of charity, & committeh 1 most horrible cosonage, and wilful prefumptuous deceit before God, which is a fault punishable in the iuftice of God, with eternall death, in the lake that burneth with fire and brymestone for euer. And seing we ought to doe to others as we would wish to be done vnto vs, let the deceiver aske of himfelfe when he goeth about to deceiue, these questions: Would I be coofoned? Would I be vidone and spoiled? Would I count him an honest man, or a good christian, that would supplant me in bargaining? Oh no. No more ought I to doe to others, that which I would not should be done to my selfe. Besides this, consider that the apostle faith, The Lord is the reuenger of all such as deceive their brethren in bargaining. If they would fall into this or the like confideration, I doubt not, but fraude, deceit, lieng, diffimulation, coofonage, and guile, would be abandoned and put to flight in shorte time; which God grant.

[Sig. G 6, back]

Every seller ought to tell the buyer the faults of the things he

We should do to others as we wish they'd do to us.

But we can't live without husbandmen; Theod. Well, notwithstanding, I cannot see how we could live without husbandmen anie maner of waie, could we?

Amphil. No truly. Neither king, prince, earle, duke, lord, knight, efquire, high nor low, rich nor poore, nor yet any potentate, power or principalitie vpon the earth (how great a mo²narch foeuer)

[* Sig. G 7]

II. 1. Chandlers' tricks, and their bad Candles.

could live or continue without the vse of husbandrie and husbandmen. And therefore they are not only to be beloued of vs, but also to be preferred and to be made much of amongst vs, without whose industrie and labour no man could liue long vpon the face of the their labour is earth. For this cause we read the use of husbandry to be commended vnto vs in fundry places of holy scripture; and which is more, the kingdome of heauen many times to be compared and affimiled to the husbandman for divers purposes and respects. And when Adam our Adam was bidfirst parent was expulsed paradise, he was by God himselfe inioined to manure, to dresse and till the ground; whereby we may see both the antiquitie, auncientie, and excellencie of husbandrie, euen from the verie beginning of all things. And therefore doubtles is it to be had in reuerence and estimation of all men. But hereof inough.

Theod. Be there any Chandlers there as in other places?

Amphil. Yea, that there are inow, I warrant you, and more than deale iustly in euerie respect.

Theod. What do they fell for the most part?

Amphil. Almost all things, as namelie butter, cheese, fagots, pots, sell cheese, pots, pannes, candles, and a 1thousand other trinkets besides.

Theod. What be the abuses which they commit, I pray you?

Amphil. Abuses, quoth you? They dare not commit anie, I trowe. But feeing you would to faine knowe, I will give you an inkling of them. First they buy that butter, cheese, and other things, which is naught, bicause they may have it for a little monie, and then sell em dear, fell it for verie good: this, manie a poore prentise and other can tell to be true. Or if they buy that which is good, then they either fell it wonderfull deere, or else keepe it till it be past the best, and yet vtter it for as much and more than it cost them. Besides this, that they keepe their butter & cheese till it be mustie and mould, yea, till it fmell that no man can eate it, they have also their false waights & counterfet measures to deceive the poore people withall. And notwithstanding that they buy sometimes 2. or 3. fagots for a penie, yet wil they not fel one, be it neuer so litle, vnder a penie, gaining aboue the one halfe in the other. And as for the stuffe whereof they make their candles, I am ashamed to speake of it. For whereas they should They make their candles of stinkmake them of good liquor and fweet, they make them of all kind of ing baggage, kitchen stuffe, & other stinking baggage, so that they shal waste &

pans, and otner trinkets. [1 Sig. G 7, back

They buy bad

SHAKSPERE'S ENGLAND: STUBBES, II.

II. I. Stubbes in the Barber's Shop, being trimd.

[1 Sig. G 8]

and their wicks of rope-ends.

confume laway like vnto were against the fire, and yet shall never burne cleere, nor giue good light, but run ouer, and about the candleflicke too shamefully. And as for the wikes within them, they are of hurds, rope ends, & fuch other good stuffe. Besides all this, they haue fleights to make the liquor of the candles alwaies to remaine foft, to the end it may wafte & confume the fafter, with legions of the like diuises. God be mercifull vnto vs!

Barbers :

Theod. What fay you of the barbers and trimmers of men? are they fo neate, and fo fine fellowes as they are faid to be?

There are no finer fellows under the sun!

Our Barbers have all kinds of cuts of beards.

They ask you whether you'll be trimd to look

Your Moustwisted up like horns; the scis-sors go snip snap,

your face is vasht with sweet balls;

snap go the fingers; [3 Sig. H 1]

Amphil. There are no finer fellowes vnder the funne, nor experter in their noble science of barbing than they be. And therefore in the fulnes of their overflowing knowledge (oh ingenious heads, and worthie to be dignified with the diademe of follie and vain curiofitie) they have invented fuch strange fashions and monstrous maners of cuttings, trimmings, flauings and washings, that you would wonder to fee. They have one maner of cut called the French cut, another the Spanish cut, one the Dutch cut, another the Italian, one the newe cut, another the old, one of the brauado fashion, another of the meane fashion. One a gentlemans cut, another the common [* Sig. G 8, back] cut, one 2 cut of the court, an other of the country, with infinite the like vanities, which I ouerpasse. They have also other kinds of cuts innumerable; and therefore when you come to be trimed, they will aske you whether you will be cut to looke terrible to your enimie, or amiable to your freend, grime & sterne in countenance, or pleafant & demure (for they have divers kinds of cuts for all these purposes, or elfe they lie.) Then, when they have done al their feats, it is a world to confider, how their mowchatowes must be preserved and laid out, from one cheke to another, yea, almost from one eare to another, and turned vp like two hornes towards the forehead. Befides that, when they come to the cutting of the haire, what fnipping & fnapping of the cycers is there, what tricking & toying, and al to tawe out mony, you may be fure. And when they come to washing, oh how gingerly they behaue themselues therein. For then shall your mouth be boffed with the lather, or fome that rifeth of the balles (for they have their fweete balles wherewith-all they vie to washe); your eyes closed must be anointed therewith also. Then snap go the

fingers, ful brauely, god wot. Thus this tragedy ended, 3 comes me

warme clothes, to wipe and dry him withall; next, the eares must be picked, and closed togither againe artificially forfooth. The haire of the nostrils cut away, and euery thing done in order comely to behold. The last action in this tragedie is the paiment of monie. And least these cunning barbers might seeme vnconscionable in asking much for their paines, they are of such a shamefast modestie, as they will aske and then you're to pay 'What nothing at all, but standing to the curtesie and liberalitie of the you please, Sir. giuer, they will receive all that comes, how much foeuer it be, not giuing anie againe, I warrant you: for take a barber with that fault, and strike off his head. No, no, such fellowes are Raræ aues in terris, nigrifque similimi cygnis, Rare birds vpon the earth, and as geason as blacke swans. You shall have also your orient persumes for your nose, your fragrant waters for your face, wherewith you shall You have fragbee all to besprinkled: your musicke againe, and pleasant harmonie, shall found in your eares, and all to tickle the same with vaine delight. And in the end your cloke shall be brushed, and 'God be with you Gentleman!'

warm cloths are

your cloak brusht, and good

Theod. All these curious conceits, in my judgement are rather done for to allure and prouoke the minds of men to be bountifull and liberall towards them, than for any good elfe, which they bring [Sig. H 1, back] either to the bodie or health of man?

Amphil. True it is that you fay, and therefore you must needes think they are maisters of their science that can inuent al these knacks to get money withall. But yet I must needs say (these nisities set apart), barbers are verie necessarie, for otherwise men should grow Barbers are verie ougglisom and deformed, and their haire would in processe of time ouergrowe their faces, rather like monsters, than comlie fober christians. And if it be said that any man may cut off the haire one of another, I answer, they may so, but yet not in such comelie and decent maner as these barbers exercised therein can doe, and besides, they knowe that a decorum in euerie thing is to be observed. And therefore I cannot but maruell at the beaftlinesse of some rushians (for I wonder at the they are no fober christians) that will have their haire to growe ouer their faces like monsters, and sauage people, nay rather like mad men grow so long. than otherwise, hanging downe ouer their shoulders, as womens haire doth; which indeed is an ornament to them, being given them as a figne of subjection, but in man it is a shame and reproch, as

some ruffians letting their hair

52 II. 1. Surgeons and Physicians look only to money.

the Apostle prooueth. And thus much of barbers and their afcience.

Theod. Haue you furgeans, and physicians there, as in other places, and are they skilfull and expert in their mysterie; and not onelie skilfull, but also conscionable in their dealings, as well toward the poore as toward the rich?

Surgeons and Physicians

[1 Sig. H 2]

'll only work for money.

Doctors 'll do

nothing for a poor man without money.

[2 Sig. H 2, back]

As soon as that fails, they give you the nastiest stuff they can.

Amphil. There are both furgeans and phyficians, good flore. And as they be manie, fo are they verie vnconscionable in their dooinges, for, as for both the one and the other, to farre from godlinesse and good conscience in all things are they, as if a poore man that bath not monie to give them at their pleafure, stande in need of their helpe, they will either not come at him, or if they doe, they will fo handle him, as it were better for him to be hanged, than to fuffaine the paines that they will put him to. But for the most part, neither of them both will come at him, but rather contemne him, and reject him as a thing of naught, yea, as much will they doe for the diuell himselfe, as for a poore man, if hee haue not money. And againe, as long as moneye runneth, they will applye gentle and easie potions, medicines, and falues, bearing their patient in hand, that he shall recouer without 2 all doubt, with what difease, maladie, or fore soeuer he be infected, wheras in truth they can do nothing leffe. But Deficiente pecunia, Monie wanting, they applie bitter potions, nipping medicines, gnawing corrofiues, and pinching plaiftures to greeue their patient withal, therby to ftraine out what liquor of life (that is, what monie or goods) they are able to giue. And thus they abuse their gifts, to the dishonor of God, the hurt of their felow brethren, and their owne damnation, except they repent.

Theod. Are furgeans and phifitians then necessarie in a common wealth, as you seeme to inferre?

Amphil. Salomon faith the Phifition (by the which worde he vnderstandeth both the phisition and the surgean, bicause the one is coosin germaine to the other) is to be honored for necessitie. And if for necessitie, then must it needes follow, that the same is most necessarie in a common wealth. But as the good, learned, and discreet phisitions and surgeans, are necessarie, and may doe much good, so the vnlearned, and naughtie (as the world is to full of them) may and doe much burt dailie, as experience teacheth.

We've many illtaught doctors.

11. 1. Every Ignoramus is allowd to practise Physic. 53

Theod. You say truth. But are all indifferently suffered to practise the same noble militeries of phisicke and surgerie, without any [1 Sig. H 3] choyse or exception at all?

Amphil. There is to great libertie permitted herein. For now Anyman, tag a daies euerie man, tagge, and ragge, of what infufficiencie foeuer, is fuffered to exercise the misterie of phisick, and surgerie, and to minister both the one, and the other, to the diseased, and infirmed persons; but to their woe, you may be sure. Yea, you shall haue fome that know not a letter of the booke (so farre are they from being learned, or skilful in the toongs, as they ought to be, that shoulde practife these misteries) both men and women, young and old, that, presuming vpon experience for sooth (for that is their greatest skill) will arrogate great knowledge to themselues, and more than the learnedst doctor vpon the earth will doe. And yet notwithstanding, can doe in manner nothing at all. But if they chance at any time to doe any good (as forte luscus capiat leporem somtime by chance a blind man may catch a hare) it is by meere chance, and not by any knowledge of theirs. And yet shall this exploit of theirs be sounded foorth with a trumpet, which indeede may hardly be blowne vp with an oten pipe, for any praise it deserueth. This bringeth the laudable sciences of phisick and surgerie, into hatred, obloquy, & contempt, 2 maketh it of no estimation in the world, and vtterly dif- [2 Sig. H 3, back] crediteth it amon[g]ft men. For when as any fick, infirmed, or diseased, either miscarieth vnder the hands of his phisition or surgean, or else when the medicine or falue worketh not his effect, then fall they to accuse the science it selfe, and to reproch it altogither, whereas in truth the whole blame confifteth in the ignorance of the practicioner himselfe. Great pitie it is therefore, that there is such libertie in permitting every one that lust, to prophane and to abuse these venerable sciences of phisicke and surgerie as they doe. For euery man, Any Ignorant though he know not the first principles, grounds or rudiments of his science, ye lineaments, dimensions, or compositions of mans body, the poores, arteries, temperament, or constitution, no, nor yet so much as the natural complexion, qualitie, or disposition of the same, will yet notwithstanding take vpon him the habite, the title, ye name, and profession, of a phisition or surgean. This we see verified in a fort of vagarants, who run stragling (I wil not saie roging) ouer the countries,

II. 1. Doctors ought to be examind and licenst. 54

[Sig. H 4]

and beare men in hand of gret knowledg, when as there is nothing By which kind of theft, (for this coofoning shift is no better) they rake in great fomes of mony, which when they have got, they leave their 1 cures in the dust, I warrant you, and betake them to their heeles as to their best refuge. And thus be the noble sciences of phisicke and surgerie vtterly reproched, the world deluded, and manie a good man and woman brought to their endes, before their time.

Theod. If phificke be good, would you not have every man to practife it that will, without reftraint?

I'd let no stupid Dolt or Woman practise medicine or surgery except gratis.

I'd have all doctors Graduates, [Sig. H 4, back] examind for character as well

as learning,

and then licenst to practise; and if they did wrong, out with

Amphil. Phificke is good, and yet would I not have everie ignorant doult that knoweth not the vie nor benefit thereof, to practife the fame. For that maketh it to take fo little effect, and fo fmally to be efteemed of, as it is now a daies; (for reformation wherof) I would wish that enery ignorant doult, & especially women, that have as much knowledg in phifick or furgery as hath Iackeanapes, being but fmatterers in the fame noble fciences (nor yet al that), should be reftrained from the publike vse therof, yet not from private exercise thereof either for their owne finguler benefit, or any other of their freends (prouided that they do it gratis) not making an occupation of it, but rather for defire to helpe, then for lucre of gaine. Than woulde I wyshe that the others who should exercise the vse of Phisicke and Surgerie shoulde first bee Graduates in 2 either of the vniuersities; and being graduates, yet not to be admitted therefore, but first to be tried and examined, as well for their knowledge, discretion, and fufficiencie in their art, profession and calling, as also for their godlines, christian zeale, pure religion, compassion, and loue to their brethren; and being found fufficient for the foresaid respects, to be admitted and licensed, vnder hand and seale authentike, by those that be of authoritie. And if he abuse himselfe or his facultie, then out with him, let him be Officiperda, Iacke out of office, make him a Quondam, and let him go to plow and cart, rather than to robbe the poore (as manie of them doe) yea, to murther and kil them without reprehension. And as I would wish none but godlie, learned, and fuch as feare God, to be admitted to the exercise and practise hereof, fo I would wish, that either they might be allowed anual stipends, for their better succouring of the poore diseased, or else

I'd pay em

might be constrained to take lesse of their poor patients than they doe. good stipends to attend the For now they ruffle it out in filckes and veluets, with their men poor. attending vpon them, whereas many a poore man (GOD wot) fmarteth for it. Yea, so ynreasonable, and so vnconscionable are they, as some of them will not set one foot out of his owne doores, without 1 twentie [' Sig. H 5] shillings, fortie shillings, three pound, twentie nobles, ten pound, Now, their twentie pound, and some more, some lesse. And having this importable fee, If they minister anything to the partie diseased, than befides, must they have twenty shillings, for that that stands them not in twentie pins; fortie shillings, twentie nobles, for that that cost them not twentie pence, & fo foreward. This is a great wickednes, God be mercifull vnto vs, and fuch as the Lord will one day reuenge, if they preuent not his judgements by speedy repentance. Besids these abuses, there are othersome, that if they owe euill will to any, man or woman being ficke, or if they hope for any preferment by with patients. their deaths, wil not make any conscience of it, to give them such medicines, fuch potions, and drinkes, as will foone make a hand of them; and this shall be done invisible in a clowde, Vnder the pretence of phisicke, for sooth; and if he die, why it was not the medicine that killed him (no it were Blasphemia in sanctos ruminare, blasphemie to thinke it of these holie fathers) but it was death, that cruell tyger, that spareth none. And to such corruption are they grown, that for mony I am persuaded they can make away with any whom they haue accesse vnto. Therefore I aduise euery man to be careful to whom 2 he committeth the cure of his bodie. They are likewise in [* Sig. H 5, back] league with the apothecaries, in whome there are great abuses also, Apothecaries as well in compounding and mixing of their elements & fimples togither, as also in selling chalke for cheese, one thing for another, & the like, so as it is hard to get anything of them that is right pure and sell druggy baggood of it selfe, but druggie baggage, and such counterfait stuffe as is starke naught. But of them inough.

Let vs speake a worde or two of a certeine kinde of curious people, and vaineglorious, called astronomers, and astrologers, the corruptions and abuses of whom are inexplicable. This done, we will make a final ende at this time of speaking any further conserning the abuses, corruptions, and imperfections, of the temporaltie, till occasion of more matter hereafter shall be offered.

56 II. 1. Absurdity of Astronomy and Astrology.

Theod. These names of astronomers, astrologers, prognosticates, and the like, are so vaquoth and strange to my eares, that I know not what to make of them. Wherefore I pray you shewe me as neere as you can, the meaning of them, and what kinde of marchase the professors thereof be?

and Prognosticators are fantastical fellows. [* Sig. H 6]

They affect to foretell things by the stars,

and go poking about into God's secrets

[" Sig. H 6, back]

Christ

Amphil. The aftronomers, aftrologers, prognofficators (and all others of the fame focietie, and brotherhoode, by what name or title foe uer they be called) are a certeine kinde of curious phantafficall and vaineglorious fellowes, who feweta dei temere remantes, Searching the fecrets of God rashlie, which he would have kept close from vs, and onely knowne to himfelfe, take vpon them, & that vpon these grounds (forfooth), namely, the observation of times & seasons, the aspects & conjunctions of the fignes and planets, with their occurrents, to prefage, to divine, and prognosticate, what shall come or happen afterwards, as though they fate in Gods lap, knew his fecrets, & had the world and the disposement thereof in their own hands. It is an olde faieng, and verie true, Quæ fupra nos, nihil ad nos, Those things that are aboue our reach, conserne vs not, and therefore we ought not to enter into the bowels & fecrets of the Lord-(for as the wife man faith, Qui fcrutatur abfcondita dei, obruetur gloria eius, hee that feacheth out the hidden things of GOD, shall bee onerwhelmed with the glorye of the fame, -but to content our felues with fo much as hee hath reuealed vnto us in his facred worde, committing the euent, the fuccesse, and disposement of all things else to his facrede Maiestie, the GOD of all glorie. For to them that goe about, and labour fo bufelye by speculations, by astronomie, 2astrologie, and the like curious arts to judge of things to come, and thinke they can tell all things by the fame (but Dum parturiunt montes nascetur ridiculus mus, whilst the mountains doe trauell, a feely mouse will be brought forth) Christ our fauiour saith, non est vestrum nosse tempora, & momenta temporum, quæ ipse pater in sua ipfius constituit potestate, It is not for you to knowe the times and feafons, which the Lord God hath referued to himfelfe. much our faujour Christ disliketh this vaine curiofitie, of astronomicall & aftrologicall speculations, we may gather by that vehement reprehenfion or commination in the 16. of Matthew, thundred out against the people of the Iewes, who were, as it feemeth, too much addicted

to the same. Where he sharply rebuketh them, and calleth them rebukes em, dissembling hypocrites, in that they observed and marked with such hypocrites. serious attention and diligence, the elemental fignes & tokens in the firmament, being in the meane time, ignorant of greater things, namely of the fignes and tokens of the sonne of GOD Christ Jesus, the true Messias, and saujour of the world.

Theod. Vppon what grounds, certeinties, rules, and principles doth this curious science consist?

¹Amphil. It standeth vpon nothing else, but meere coniectures, [1 Sig. H 7] supposals, likelihoods, ghesses, probabilities, observations of times and feafons, coniunctions of fignes, starres, and planets, with their aspects, and occurrents, and the like, & not vpon anie certeine ground, knowledge, or truth, either of the word of God, or of natural reason. But to argue the vntruth and the vncerteintie of this foolish curious science, we need not to go farre for examples and arguments. For the contrariety that euer hath beene in all ages amongst the verie doctors and maisters themselves, but most specially of late, doth approoue the same to be most fantasticall, curious, vaine, vncerten and meere prophane. For there being a maruellous strange coniunction (as they faid) of two fuperiour planets, So manie as writ of the same, neither iumped togither in one truth, nor yet agreed togither, either of the day, houre, or moneth, when it should be: but in al things shewed themselues like themselues, that is, plaine contradictorie one to another. Infomuch as they writ in defence of their errors, and confutation of the contrarie, one against another, shamefully to behold. By which more than prefumptuous audacitie, and rash boldnesse of these, they brought the world into a woonderfull perplexi2tie [2 Sig. H 7, back] and cease, expecting either a woonderfull alteration of states and king- the soolish stardomes (as these foolish starre tooters promised) or else a finall consummation and ouerthrowe of all things. Or if not fo, yet the strangest things should happen, that euer were heard or seene since the beginning of the world. Wheras, God be thanked, at the verie houre and moment when (as some of them set downe) these woonders and portents should have happened, there was no alteration nor change of any thing seene or heard of, the element being as faire, as bright, as calme, and as pleasant, and euerie thing as filent, and in as perfect and yet every order and forme, as euer they were fince the beginning of the world. quietly as usual.

on guesses and star-gazing.

some other day that they couldn't

58 II. 1. Infinite fooleries, these Astrologers pretend to.

By all which appeareth the vanitie and vncerteintie of their curious science. I woonder where these fellowes sate, whether vppon the earth, or in the firmament of heauen, when they faw these conjunctions. Or with what eies they could fee that, that no man elfe could fee But peraduenture they have Argus eies, and can fee all things, even those things that be not. I maruell whether they have dwelt in the region of the aire, and who told them the names, the scituation, the houses, aspects, and locall places of the fignes and planets, of the funne. moone, and starres, with the number 1thereof also, which indeed are innumerable. I woonder what spirite tolde them which planets were higher than other, and which lower than other, which be good and which be enill, which be moift and which be drie, which bee colde, and which be hote, which be gentle and affable, and which bee cruell and terrible, which give good fortune, and which give enill, which be good to take iourneies in hand, or to attempt any great thing, and which bee naught, which bee good for a man to take a wife in, that she may be amiable and gentle, and which be contrarie, which be dangerous to take difeases in, or to fall ficke, and which bee not, with infinite the like fooleries, which I ouerpasse. Now from whence they have learned these things I cannot tell, but certeine I am, that out of the booke of GOD, they neuer fetched them, the fame being in euerie point contrarie vnto them, and reproouing, yea, condemning to hell, their vaine curious fearching of Gods fecrets, and the fuccesse of things by such fallible and vncerteine accidents.

Theod. Me thinke this is the next way to withdrawe men from GOD the Creator, to depende and hang vpon creatures, is it not?

²Amphil. It is the onely waie: For who, hearing that the creatures, as the fun, the moone, the flarres, the fignes & planets doe gine both good things and euill, bleffing and curfing, good fucceffe, and euill fucceffe, yea, life and death, at their pleafure (as these brainefick fooles hold they doe) and that they rule, gouerne, and dispose althings whatsoeuer, yea, both the bodies and soules of man (for some shame not to say) who, hearing this, I say, would not fall from God, and worship the creatures that give such bleffings vnto man? What can be a neerer way to withdrawe the people, not onelie from God, but also to hale them to idolatrie, and wholy to depend vpon

creatures as the heathen do to their eternall damnation for ever

[* Sig. H 8]

Where did these astrologing fellows learn all their fooleries? Not in the book of God, I know.

[* Sig. H 8, back]
For if the Planets
give good and
evil,
and rule men,

men 'll turn from God, and worship the stars.

11. 1. God, and not the Stars, rules Men & their Fates. 59

But, fay they, though we give authoritie, great power, great rule and government to the creatures, yet we give vnto God the cheefest stroke and the cheefest rule in all things, all other creatures being but the instrumentall, or secundarie causes, or (that I may speake plainlie) as it were his deputies, substitutes, or instrumentes whereby he ruleth and worketh all things. Is this any thing else, than to saie with certeine heretikes, that though God made all things, yet he ruleth them not, nor hath no care ouer them, but hath committed the rule ¹ and gouernement of them to his creatures. Then which, what [* Sig. I. z.] blasphemie can be greater? is not this a flatte deniall of the prouidence of God, which scripture so much setteth forth and commendeth vnto vs? Shall we thinke that God made all things, and now as one wearie of his worke, committeth the gouernemente of them to other creatures? Saith not our Sauiour Christ, Pater et ego operamur, my father worketh, and I worke? Meaning thereby, that as he wrought in creating all things, so he worketh still in ruling them by his power, God works and gouerneing them by his wisdome, and preserving them by hys prouidence, and will do to the end of the world. But when they have proued that he hath committed the rule and gouernement of his creatures, to his creatures, then I will fave as they fay. In the meane time I say & holde, that it derogateth greatly from the glorie and maiestie of God, to saye or affirme that creatures have the gouernement of all things committed vnto them. For if there should be many kings, princes and rulers in any one realme or country, must not the dominion and rule of the chief prince or regent be leffer, than if he ruled and gouerned alone? Woe were vs, if wee were at the rule and gouernement of creatures; but bleffed be our God, who, as he knoweth our ² frailtie (hauing therefore compassion of our infirmities) [² Sig. I. z. back] so he ruleth and gouerneth all things, whether in heaven, earth, hell, or else whersoeuer, according to the good pleasure of his will. In the 1. and 2. chapters of Genesis, besides infinit the like places in holie scriptures, we read that the sun, the moone, the stars, with all creatures God made the else, were created & made for the vse and commoditie of man, being made subject to him, and he constitute lord ouer them; & yet not- his lords? withstanding, are they becom now his lords, and he their subject, vasfal bondslaue? This is preposterous geare, when Gods ordinance is turned topfie turuie, vpfide downe. It is time these phantasticall

To pretend that Planets are God's deputies, is blassense too.

II. I. The 12 Signs governing Men's Limbs.

fellowes were looked to in time, that wil go about to difthronize the mightie God Jehoua of his regall throne of maiestie and glorie, makin gan Officiperda of him, a iacke out of office, & to pul him (as it were) E cælis, Out of the heavens, downe to the earth, giving him no power nor authoritie at all.

Theod. Haue the fignes and planets then no power nor authorities at all vpon things on the earth?

& reujuing of lall natural things, And also they have their influence & operation in mans bodie, for letting of bloud, receiving of purgations & the like. But to fay they worke thefe effects of their own proper force

Amphil. Yes, they have their power, their operation, force, firength and effect in those things whereto GOD hath created them, as namely in the growing, increasing, cherishing, fostering, renewing, comforting

[Sig. I. s.]

The busy-headed sign every kind of man to a particular Sign,

and every month

The 7 Days they put to the 7

[Sig. I. 2. back]

& ftrength, or that they rule or dispose the spirits & soules of man. is vtterly false, & at no hand true. And yet notwithstanding, so far infatuat are these busie heded astronomers, & curious serching aftrologers, that they attribute euery part of mans body to one particular figne & planet, affirming that part of the bodie to be ruled by that figne, or planet. And therefore to Aries they have affigned the gouernement of the head & face. To Tau[rus] the necke and throte. To Gem[ini] the shoulders, the armes & the hands. To Leo the hart and back. To Can [cer] the breft, ftomake and lungs. Lib[ra] the raines and loines. To Vir[go] the guts & bellie. Scor[pio] the privie parts & bladder. To Sag[ittarius] the thighes. To Capr[icornus] the knees. To Aqu[arius] the legs. To Pifc[es] the feet. And thus have they, & doe, beare the world in hand that the whole bodie of man both Interne & externe, within & without, is ruled and gouerned by the xii. fignes, by flarres, and planets, & not by God only. For the confirmation of which fained vntruth, they pretend the xii. moneths in the yere to be ruled & gouerned by the xii. fignes in the element, and the feuen daies in the weeke to be ruled by the feuen planets 2 alfo. Befides this, they have their particular houres, times and feafons, wherein they chiefly worke their effects, and haue greatest strength. So that by their reasons, no moneth in the yere, nor day in the weeke, no, nor houre in the day nor night, but it is ruled and gouerned by the influence and conftel-

11. 1. If the Stars give Life & Death, they're Gods. 61

lation of the starres and planets, and nothing is effected or brought to passe, but what they will, and intend.

Theod. Are the fignes and planets, liuing creatures and reasonable, But these Signs and Planets or infensible creatures, and things without life?

Amphil. They are no living or reasonable creatures, it is without all controuerfie, but meerely insensible, and without life. And being are without life without life and reason, how is it possible that they should bring life or death (as these fellowes hold) sicknesse or health, prosperitie or aduerfitie, heate or cold, faire weather or foule, beautie or deformitie, long life or short, or any thing else? And if they be not able to give How then can these things, how much lesse able are they then, to gouerne, rule, and World and Men? dispose all thinge[s] in heaven, earth, the aire, or else whersoever, to ouerthrowe monarchies, kingdoms, nations, countries, and people, and finally to work althings after their owne defire and will? Will they haue dumbe and vnreasonable creatures to rule the reasonable? If [1 Sig. I. 3-] that were true, why should God be prassed either for his mercie, or feared for his iustice and iudgement, and not rather the planets, fignes, and starres, which worke all in all in all creatures? If blesling come by If blessings a the influence of starres and planets, then let men praise them, and not the Stars, God, for the same. And if curies proceed from the starres, let them be feared for them. Briefly, if life and death, and all things elfe, come by the force of the elementall creatures, and celestiall bodies, then let them be honoured with divine worship. If these effects issued from creatures, then why should the homicide, the murtherer, adulterer, or wicked person be punished, wheras he might say, it was not I, it was Planetarum iniuria, The force of the planets that compelled me to finne*? Or why should the godlie man be praised for dooing well, whereas he is inforced thereto, by the starres and planets? In Summa, why should not planets and starres be adored and worshipped as gods, if they coulde worke these effects? They that attribute thus much to the starres, not onelie rob the maiestie of God of his honour, but also strenhthen the hands of the heathen, pagans, insidels, and idolatrous people, to perseuere in their cursed ido2latrie still. Nay, do [* Sig. I. 3 back] they not rather shake hands with them, that as they worship the

But this robe

• Cp. Edmund in Lear, I. ii. 134-5: "Drunkards, liars, and adulterers, by an enforced obedience of planetary influence.'

62 II. I. Absurdity of man's Fate depending on Stars.

funne, the moone, the starres, fire, water, and other creatures, for their God, so doe these worship the same, though not for their chiefe Gods, yet for their second gods, whereby they commit most filthie idolatrie, and are giltie of most hainous transgression. Indeede, I confesse they have effects and operations, but yet are they not the efficient causes of any thing either good or bad. Otherwise than thus, that it pleaseth the maiestie of God to worke by them, as by his instruments, whatsoever is his good wyll and pleasure, and not after any other fort.

Theod. I have heard of fome of these astronomers that would take vpon them to tell a mans fortune, onely by their constellation: forsooth, is it possible, suppose you?

Amphil. No, at no hand. For if it were fo, that all things were, and man himselfe, gouerned and ruled by the stars alone (as who is so forfaken of God to beleeue it?) And that they knew the minds, the purpofes, the intents, the inclination, the disposition & qualities of euery starre, then might it be (peraduenture) true, that they might tell the fortune, and defteny of any man. But otherwise they can tel as much as a horse. I would faine learne of these starre gailers, who teach that man is drawne to good or euill by the constellations, and influence of ftars, whether all the people that were euer borne fince the beginning of the world, or shal be borne to the ende of the fame, were al borne vnder one planet or ftar? For they had all one fortune, all finned in Adam, & all were in the iustice of God condemned to euerlasting fire. I would know also whether all the Sodomits and Gomorreans being confumed with fire & brimftone from heauen were borne all vnder one starre & planet? For they had all one destinie, and all one end. Whether all the whole world in the daies of Noah, was borne vnder one and the fame ftar, or planet, for they had all one deftenie, being ouerwhelmed with an vniuerfall deluge. Whether the whole hoft of Core, Dathan, and Abiram, were borne all vnder one star or planet, who had al one iudgment, one deftinie, and one kind of death. Whether all the hoft of Pharao were borne vnder one and the same starre and planet. who all fuftained one kinde of death, and had all one deftinie-Whether Efau, and Iacob were not borne both in a moment, and both at one birth, and yet had they contrarie natures, qualities, dif-

I confess that Stars have effect; but yet they're not Efficient Causes.

Let these stargazers show me, if they can,

[1 Sig. I. 4.]

that all the sinners in Sodom and Gomorrah, who had one fate, were born under one star;

why Esau and Jacob, who were born under one star, had different ends: positions and ends. Finally I would learne of them, whither none that euer liued fince the 'first beginning of the worlde, nor any that [' Sig. I. 4. back] shall be borne to the end of the same, hath not, or may not be borne in the same houre, and vnder the same planet & constellation, that Christ Iesus was borne in. If they say there have not beene any borne in the fame houre that Christ Iesus was borne in, common why the children born when Christ reason, and daily experience would disprooue them, for there is not one was, wer minute of an houre wherein there are not infinite children borne into the world. And if they fay that there are that have beene borne in the same houre, and vnder the same starre and planet, than must it needes follow (if man should necessarily be ruled, gouerned, disposed & affected according to the naturall disposition, and inclination of the planets & stars) that he that hath bin, is, or shall be, borne in the same howre, and under the same planet or star that Iesus Christ was borne vnder, should bee as good & as perfect in euery respect, as Christ Iesus himselfe; and so should we have had manie christs before this time. But God bleffe all his children from once thinking of any fuch impietie, and blasphemie. By all which reasons and arguments it apeareth manifestly that man is nothing lesse, than ruled, gouerned Man is not or deftined, after the inclination, or influence of stars or planets, but but by the living God. onely by the liuing God, who doeth 2whatfoeuer pleafeth him in heauen & in earth. This being so, twise vnhappy be those parents that thinke any moneth, day or houre, infortunate for their children to be borne in, or that some be more fortunate and happie than otherfome. And thrife curfed be those wicked deuils, that taught them those lessons. What? Doe they thinke that the Lorde is a sleepe those houres; or being wake, hath no power to rule? Hath he not made all things pure and good? Then cannot the good creatures of God make vs euil, or incline vs to finne. But it is the malice of the It's the Devil deuill, the corruption of our nature, and the wickedness of our owne wickedness, harts, that draweth vs to euill, and so to shamefull destinies, and make us sin imfamous ends, and not the starres, or planets. Whereof if we were Lear I. ii.) truely perswaded, we wold leave of, when we come to any shamefull end, to faie: "Oh, I was borne to it, it was my destonie," and I cannot tell what: whereas in truth we were borne to no fuch ends. But rather to glorifie our heavenly father by integritie of life & godlines of conversation, whilst we live vpon the face of the earth. Certein

as, were not

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The God sees that some men will come to a bad end, he doesn't fore-ordain them to it. [I Sig. I 5, back] it is, that God by his prouidence, & prescience, doth foresee that such a man through his wickednes shall come to such an ende, yet did not the Lord foreordeine, or foreappoint him to the same, but rather dehorteth him from comitting that wickednes, which may purchase such an end. Wherefore to conclude. Seing it is sinne that bringeth man and woman to shamefull ends, and neither sate, destonie, birthstar, signe or planet, constellation, nor anything else whatsoeuer, let euerie one endevour himselfe to serue his GOD truelle, in singlenesse and purenesse of heart, and himselfe to liue well and vprightlie, Walking in the lawes, and commandements of the Lord; and I warrant him for euer comming to anie euill end or destinie. That God whom he hath serued, will keepe him as he kept Sidrach, Misac, and Abednago, from the rage of the fire, Susanna from the stake, Daniel from ye chawes of the greedie lions, & manie others that serued him in feare.

Serve God, and

He'll preserve you

> Theod. I have hea[r]d fome that woulde take vpon them to tell a man whither he shoulde be poore or rich, a servant or a lord, a theese or a true man, cruell or gentle, and what kinde of trades he should have prosperous successe in: how shoulde they doe this?

Amphil. I will tell you how they pretende to doe it. There are

Some say that the 12 Signs of the Zodiac and the 7 Planets and their Aspects fix men's natures and fates. [2 Sig. I 6] (as they faye) certeine fignes in the element (but yet I maruell what Apollo tolde them fo, when they were there, and fawe them, or how they knew the shape ² and proportion of them) as Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricornus, and Pisces, with their planets, and aspects, as Sol, Luna, Mars, Mercurie, Iupiter, Venus, and Saturne. Now say they, he that is borne vnder Aries, (which is a signe in the Nusquam region, Like to a ramme, or sheepe vpon earth) shall be a riche mar. and too too wealthie. And whie so? Marke their droonken reason. Forsooth because the rame is a fruitfull beast vpon earth, and yeldeth to his master two or three sleeces a yeere. Againe, he that is borne vnder Taurus (which is a signe (say these liers) in the element like vnto a bull, vpon earth); now sir, he that is borne vnder him, shall be pore, & a bondssaue all his daies. And why so? Mary, say they, bicause the bull on earth is a beast vsed to the yoke, and to much slauerie

& drudgery. He that is borne vnder Leo (which is a figne quoth these inglers like to a lion) shal be strong, couragious, & seared of

But what a drunken reason they give for it!

Berames a Bull

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al men, & shal be lord & ruler ouer many, And why so? Bicause the lion is a strong & mightie beast, & is lord & king ouer all other beafts. He that is borne vnder Scorpio, shal be a murtherer, a robber, a theefe, and a wicked person. Why so? Forsooth bicause the Scorpion is a serpent full of poyson & malice vpon earth. 1He ['Sig. I 6, back] that is borne vnder Gemini shall be rich, and have manie children, bicause Gemini is a signe of two twinnes. He that is borne vnder Virgo shall be beloued of women, shall be amiable, faire, gentle, and I cannot tell what, bicause maids are so affected. He that is borne vnder Cancer, shall be crabbed and angrie, bicause the crab fish is so inclined. He that is borne vnder Libra, shall be fortunate in merchandize, in waights and measures, bicause Libra is a signe of a paire of ballance. He that is borne vnder Sagittarius, shal be a good shooter, bicause Sagittarius is a signe like to a shooter. He that is borne vnder Capricornus shall be a slouenly, ill fauoured, and vncleane fellowe, bicause the gote is a beast filthie, stinking and vncleane. He that is borne vnder Aquarius and Pisces shall be fortunate by water, bicause watermen haunt the waters, and fishes swim in the same. These be cupstantiall reasons and well seasoned arguments, and as strong to prooue their purpose, as a castell of paper to resist the enimie. Thus you may see they have no other reasons, than to heape one lie vpon another. As first that these signes and planets in the heavens are like to earthly creatures, then that their natures, and qualities are knowne by the natures and qualities of 2 earthly creatures. Iefu God, what cun- [* Sig. I 7] ning felowes are these, that can knowe the nature of heauenly bodies. and celeftiall creatures, by these terrestriall bodies and earthly creatures? These are profound sellowes indeed, and by all likelihood, haue dwelt long in the clouds, that are so perfect in every thing there, and can judge of future accidents with fuch fingular dexteritie. By this time I thinke they are ashamed of their profession, therefore I need to fay no more of them, till further occasion be offered, befeeching the Lorde God to give them grace to fearch for the truth of the worde of God, letting all fuch curious fearchings of Gods fecrets alone to God, who onely knoweth all fecrets whatfoeuer.

Theod. If you condemne astronomie, and astrologie altogither, as Prognosticators you feeme to doe, then it followeth that you condemne prognosticators, and fuch as make almanacks for euerie yeere : doe you fo?

cleanly, because

These Astrologe fellows must have livd long in the clouds to bout heavenly

and Almanac makers I con-

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[Sig. 1 7, back]

when they pretend to pry into God's secrets,

and foretell what 'll be plentiful and what scarce.

Let Almanacmakers keep to their proper business,

[Sig. I 8]

and then they'll be useful folk.

Amphil. I neither condemne astronomie nor astrologie, nor ret the makers of prognostications, or almanacks for the yeere. But I condemne the abuse in them both, and wish they were reduced to the same perfection that they ought, and to be vsed to the same ende and purposes which they were ordeined for. 1 The funne, the moone, the starres, and the celestiall bodies whatsoeuer, created by the Lord not onelie to fructifie and increase the earth by their influence, but also to shine and give light to man in this life, and to divide the light from darknese, the day from the night, winter from sommer, and to diffinguish one feafon and time from another. Now how much may make or conduce to the knowledge hereof, fo much I doubt not is verie tollerable, and may be vied. But when we go about to enter into Gods fecrets, and to divine of things to come, by conjectures, and geffes, then make we the same wicked and vnlawfull. Therefore prognosticators are herein much to be blamed, for that they take vpon them to foreshew what things shall be plentie, and what fcarfe, what deere, what good cheape. When shal be faire weather, when foule, and the like, whereas indeede the knowledge of these things are hid in the secrets of GOD, and are beyond their reach, therefore ought they not to meddle with them. But if they would keepe them within their compasse, as namely to shew the times and feafons of the yere, festivals, vigils, to distinguish winter from former. fpring from haruest, the change of the moone, the fall of euerie day, the ecclipses, epacts, dominical letter, golden num2ber, circle of the funne, leape yeere, and other the like necessarie points, then were their profession laudable, and greatly for the commoditie of the commonwealth. And thus much with their patience be it spoken briefly hereof.

Here ende the abuses of the Temporalitie.



CORRVPTIONS THE

AND ABUSES OF THE

SPIRITVALITIE.

Theodorus.

Auing now spoken sufficiently of the corruptions and abuses of the temporalitie, if I might be so bold, I would request As to the co you somewhat to say concerning the corruptions and abuses of the spiritualitie, or (as some call it) of the ecclesiastical hierarchie. For I am fully perfuaded, that the one being fo corrupt, the other can hardly bee without blemish.

¹Amphil. I am verie loth to enter into that fielde, the view where- [1 Sig. I 8, back] of offereth such store of matter to intreat of, as if I should enter the same, I shoulde rather not knowe where to end, then where to begin. Besides, you knowe the olde prouerbe, Non bonum est ludere cum sanctis, It is not good to meddle with these holie ones, for seare of thunderbolts, to insue. But for that, he is not onely a false prophet, and a traitor to the truth, that teacheth false doctrine, but as well he that knoweth the truth, and either for feare of death, or defire of life, wil not expresse the same to the worlde. And for that, not onely the author of any euill or mischiese is giltie of offence before God, But also he that might by 2 discouerie thereof preuent the same, and yet either will not, or for feare of death dares not. And for that as the olde prouerbe saith, Qui tacet, consentire videtur, he that concealeth the truth, seemeth to consent to errors, for these and the like causes, I will laye downe vnto you some such corruptions and abuses, as feeme to be inormous, and stande in neede of reformation, omitting in the meane time to speake perticularly of all (for that they be innumerable) vntill I see how these sewe will be brouked of them.

out for thunder-bolts.

But I'll tell you

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[Sig. K. 1.]

For it is a point of good physicke, you knowe, to see how the former ¹ meate received into the stomacke, will be digested, and concocted, before we receive anye more into the same.

Theod. You fay very well. Give me leave then (by your patience) to aske you such questions as I thinke convenient for my further instruction, that by your good meanes, I knowing the truth, may praise God in you, and also have just occasion to give you thanks for the same,

Amphil. Aske what you thinke good, in Gods name, and I will doe
the best I can, to resolve you in anything that you shall demand.

All our churches and congregations Theod. Then this shall be my first demand. Be the churches, congregations, & assemblies there, distincted into particulars, as into parishes and precincts, one exempt from another, or are they dispersed here and there abroad, without any order, exemption, or limitation of place at all?

are divided into

Amphil. Euerie particular church, congregation, affemblie, or conuenticle, is divided one from another, and diffincted into parishes and precincts, which seuerall precincts and parishes are so circumgired and limited about with bounds and marks, as euerie one is knowne of what parish he is, and vnder whose charge he liueth. So that euerie shepheard knoweth 2 his slocke, euerie pastor his sheepe. And againe, euerie slocke knoweth his shepheard, and euerie sheepe his pastor, verie orderlie and well, in my simple judgement.

[2 Sig. K. r. back] so that every flock knows its pastor.

> Theod. Doe you allow then of this partition of churches, and of one particular congregation from another?

> Amphil. Yea trulie. It is not amiffe, but a verie good order, for thereby euerie paftor doth knowe his owne flock, euery shepheard his owne sheepe, which without this diuision could not be. Besides that, we read that euen in the apostles daies (who writ to particular churches themselues, as to the Rom. Corint. Thes. Phil, &c.) in the daies of Christ, & in the times of the prophets before Christ, churches, assemblies, and congregations were euer distincted one from another, & diuided into seueral slocks, companies, and charges. So that although they had not the name of this word 'parish' amongst them, yet had the thing ment thereby, in effect.

Theod. Then it followeth by your reason, that there are infinite churches in Dnalgne; and I have learned out of the book of God

In early days,,

assemblies were always separate.

Of Churches, The Church, and their Rulers.

that there is but one true church, and faithful spouse of Christ vpon the earth. How reconcile you these two places?

Amphil. Verie well. For although there be linfinite particular [1 Sig. K. 2.] churches, congregations, and affemblies in the world, yet doe they all But these separate churches all attended to the separate churches all atten make but one true church of God, which being divided in time and Church, place, is notwithstanding one church before God, being members of the mystical body of Christ Iesus, & felow members one of another, so as they can never be divided, neither from themselves, nor from their head, Christ.

Theod. Who doe you constitute the head of the vniuersall church of Christ vppon earth? Christ Iesus, the pope, or the prince?

Amphil. Christ Iesus, whose the bodie is, must needs be, & is whose Head is the onely true head of the vniuerfall church. Then next vnder him euerie christian prince in his kingdom. And as for the pope, he is head ouer the malignant church, the church of the deuil, and not of Christ Iesus. No, he is so far from being head ouer the vniuersal church of Christ, that he is no true member of the same, but rather the childe of perdition, the first borne of satan, a diuell incarnate, and that man of fin (euen Antichrist himselfe) that must be destroied with the breath of Gods mouth.

Theod. By whom be these particular churches and congregations gouerned & ruled?

Amphil. By bishops, pastors, and other inferiour officers.

Theod. Do you shut out the prince then from gouerning the &c., church?

²Amphil. No, God forbid. For take awaye Brachium feculare, [*Sig. K. 2. back] The lawfull power, and gouernement of the temporal magistrate and temporal Magistrates. from the regiment of the church, and ouerthrow the church altogither. And yet notwithstanding the necessitie hereof, the dooting anabaptists and brainesicke papists have most deuilishly denied the same. The anabaptists denie (most absurdly) the authoritie of the magistrate altogither. The papists seing themselues conuinced by the manifest worde of GOD, denye not their authority absolutely; but that their authority extendeth to the gouernement of the church, forfooth they vtterly denie, hereby exempting themselues, and plucking away their neckes from vnder the yooke of christian obedience due vnto

Christ; under Him each King

(The Pope's the

and under them Bishops, Pastors,

The Anabaptists deny the tempo ral power alto-gether; the Papists deny Church Govern-

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magistrates1, contrarie to the expresse word of our fauiour Christ, and his apostles, who saith Omnis anima subdita sit potestatibus supereminentibus! Let euery foule be subject to the higher powers, for there is no power but of God. And therefore they are to be obeyed as the ministers of God of all whatsoeuer.

But every King is supreme head over the Church in his realm. [Sig. K. 3.]

The Pope is a mere greasy priest, like other oild shavelings

Theod. Well than I gather thus much, that every king, prince, or potentate, is fupreame head next vnder God, ouer the church of GOD dispersed through his kingdomes, and domini2ons: is not this

Amphil. Verie true. And therefore that antichrift of Rome, hath plaide the traitor a long while, both to Christ Iesus and all christian kings, in arrogating and viurping to be supreame head ouer all the world. Whereas indeed he, being a greafie prieft, & finered prelate, hath no more authority than other oiled shauelings haue, nor so much neither, and yet that authoritie is but ouer the malignant church of antichrift, and not of Chrift Iefus. I befeech the Lord therefore to breake of that power, to grind in peces that flumbling blocke of offence, and to wipe off the heads of that monftrous hidra, fo as never any mo may growe thereof againe.

Theod. Seeing you fay that euerie prince is supreame head ouer the church of God within his dominions, what authoritie therfore affign you to the prince to execute in the church.

A King has to see good Pastors elected, proper rites establisht, and Church censures executed.

Amphil. It is the office and dutie of a prince, not onely to fee elected, fent forth, & called, good, able, & fufficient paffours, for the instruction of the church, but also to see that good orders, conflitutions & rites be established, and duely performed, that the worde be preached, the facraments truely ministred, excommunica-[1 Sig. K. 3. back] tion, discipline and ecclesiasticall censures orderly 3 executed to the honor of God, and benefit of his church. But if it be faid that these thinges are to bee executed of the ecclefiafticall persons onely, I answere, true it is; but if the ecclesiasticall magistrate be negligent, fecure, flouthfull, and careleffe about the execution hereof (as who feeth not fome be) than ought the prince to flew his authoritie in commanding and inioining them to doe their office. Befides this, it is the office of the prince to fee all kind of finne, as well in the church men themselues, as in all others of the church, seuerely punished

The King should see sin punisht

1 Orig. migistrates.

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And though I grant the prince to have the fourraigntie and primacie ouer the church of GOD, within his dominions, yet my meaning is not, that it is lawfull for the prince to preach the word, to minister the facramentes, or to execute the fentence of excommunication, and other ecclefiasticall discipline and censures of the church, but (as and the Church's before) to fee them done, of them to whom it apperteineth. For faith the apostle, nemo fumat sibi honorem, nist qui legittime vocatus fuerit, vt fuit Aaron. And againe, vnufquifque in ea vocatione, qua vocatus est, maneat apud deum? But in times past the papists bare the worlde in hande, that no temporall power whatfoeuer coulde, nor ought not, to 1meddle wyth the clergie, and therefore made they [1 Sig. K. 4] vassals of most christian Princes. Yea, that pernicious antichrist of Rome, in those daies of ignorance hath not beene ashamed to make Kings, Queenes, Emperours, Dukes, Lords, and all other, how honorable or noble foeuer, his lackeis, his pages, his horsekeepers, and compelled them to hold his stirups, to leade his horse, and to prostrate themselues before him, whilest he trod vpon their neckes. But God be praised, this great antichrist is discouered to all the world, and his shame so laid open, as every childe iustlie laugheth him to scorne.

but his shame is

The Antichrist of

Rome formerly had kings as

Theod. You faid before, that the churches there were gouerned by bishops, and pastors: how by them?

Amphil. The bishops are graue, ancient, and fatherlie men, of The Bishops are great grauitie, learning, and iudgement (for the most part) constituted by the Prince ouer a whole country or prouince, which they call their dioces. These grave fathers having authoritie above all other of the ministerie, in their dioces, do substitute vnder them in euerie particular church a minister, or ministers according to the necessitie of the same. And thus doeth euery bishoppe in hys owne dioces thorow out the ² whole realme. So that no church, how fmall foeuer, but it hath the [* Sig. K 4, back] truth of Gods word, and of his facraments, truly deliuered vnto it.

Theod. Are those preaching prelates, that the bishops do place in euerie congregation, or else reading ministers?

Amphil. It were to be wished that all were preaching prelates, All our ministers and not reading ministers only, if it could be brought to passe, but some read only. though all be not preachers, yet the most part be, God be praised therefore.

Theod. Be any, readers onlie, and not preachers: that is a great

72 11, 2. Some Ministers are mere Readers, not Preachers.

abuse. For I am persuaded that he that cannot preach, ought not to supplie a place in the church of God to read onlie: how say you?

But Readers

ought not to be Pastors.

[Sig. K 5]

They are not Christ's Vicegerents,

only dumb dogs.

But bare Reading is better than nothing.

[Sig. K 5, back]

If you can't get at a kernel at first, don't throw away the whole nut.

Amphil. It is no good reason to say, bicause all ought to be preachers, that therefore readers are not necessarie. But indeed I am of this judgement with you, that whoso can but read onelie, and neither is able to interpret, preach, expound, nor explane the fcriptures, nor yet to refell and conuince the aduerfarie, nor to deliuer the true fense and meaning of the scriptures, ought not to occupie a place in the church of God, as the paftor thereof. For God commandeth that the paftors be learned, faieng: Labia facerdotum cuftodiant verita1tem, and edifcant populi verbum dei ex ore eorum, Let the lips of the priefts preferue knowledge, and let the people learne the truth out of their mouthes. And therefore those that have not this dexteritie in handling the worde of God, they are not fent of God, neither are they Christs vicegerents or pastors to instruct his flocke. To fuch, the Lord faith: They rule, but not by me; they run, but I fent them not; they crie, thus faith the Lord, whereas hee neuer fpake it. These are those idoll shepheards, and dumbe dogs, of whom fpeaketh the prophet, that are not able to barke against finne. And therefore I befeech the Lord to remooue them, and place able and fufficient paftors over his church, that GOD may be glorified, and the church edified in the truth.

Theod. Bare reading, I must needs say, is bare feeding: but what then? Better it is to have bare feeding than none at all.

Amphil. Verie true. And therefore are not they more fcrupulous than they ought, more curious than needes, and more precise than wife, that bicause they cannot have preaching in everie church, doe therefore contemne reading as not necessarie? This is as though a man thould despise meane fare, bicause he cannot come by better, whereas I thinke it is abetter to have meane fare than none at all, or as though a man, bicause he cannot come by the carnell at the first, will therefore cast awaie both the nut and the carnell. It were good (as saith the apostle) that all could prophesie, that is, that all could preach and expound the truth, but bicause that all have not the gift, is therefore reading naught? And therefore a fort of novatians lately sprong vp, have greatly saulted herein, in that they hold that no reading ministers only ought to be permitted in the church of God, as though

(as I fay) because a man can not have daintie fare, therefore it is good to haue none at all. But to be plaine, as I will not defende a dumbe reading ministerie only, so I will not condemne it for necessities sake, when otherwise euery place cannot be sufficiently furnished at the first with good and sufficient men as it ought.

Keep your Reading Ministers till

Theod. But it is thought that there are inow able men in the vniuersities and elsewhere to furnish euery particular church with a preaching minister?

Amphil. Truely I thinke there are so, if they were sought for & We've enough preferred: but alas those that are learned indeed, they are not fought but, alas for nor promoted, but the vnlearned for the most part, somtimes by ferment. frendship, somtime by mony 1 (for they pay wel for their orders, I 1 Sig. K 6) heare fay) and fomtimes by gifts, (I dare not fay bribes) are intruded. This maketh many a good schoolar to languish, and discourageth not a fewe from goyng to their bookes. Whereby learning greatlie decaieth, and barbarisme, I feare me, will ouerflow the realme, if speedie remedie be not had herein.

Theod. As farre as I can gather by your speeches, there is both a reading and a preaching ministerie: whether doe you prefer before the other?

Amphil. I preferre the preaching ministerie before a reading ministerie only: and yet the reading ministerie, if the other can not be had, is not therefore euill, or not necessarie.

Theod. But tell me this. If there might a preaching ministerie be gotten, ought not the reading ministerie to give place to the fame?

And therefore the bishops ought to Bishops ought to Amphil. Yea, doubtlesse. seeke for the learned fort, and as it were to sue and make instance to them, and finding them worthy, as well for their life as doctrine, to call them lawfully according to the prescript of Gods word, & so to sende them forth into the Lords haruest. And where the foresaide dumbe ministerie is, to displace the same, and place the other. By this meanes 2 the word of God should flourish, ignorance (mauger the [2 Sig. K 6, back] head of fatan) be abandoned, the church edified, and manie a one incouraged to go to their bookes, whereas now they practife nothing lesse, and all by reason that by their learning they have no promotion nor preferment at all.

74 11. 2. Preachers may travel. New-fangled Brownists.

Ministers preach mainly in their own parishes,

but sometimes out of them, and rightly so,

[Sig. K 7] notwithstanding the Brownists,

for the Apostles went from place to place preaching.

Evils of

Theod. Do these preaching ministers preach onely in their owne cures, flockes and charges, or else indifferently abroad else where?

Amphil. They preach for the most part in their owne charges and cures whereouer the holie Ghoft hath made them ouerfeers, and for which they shall render a dreadfull account at the day of indeement, if they doe not their dutie diligently, as God hath commanded. But though they preach most commonly in their owne cures, yet doe they fometimes helpe their felowe brethren to breake the bread of life to their charges also. Wherein me thinke they do not amisse. For if a watch man appointed by a whole citie, or towne to give warning when the enimie commeth, feeing an other citye or towne to be in danger, giueth fufficient warning to his owne citie, and goth and warneth the other citie also, and so by this meanes delivereth them both, I fay, that in fo doing, hee doth well, and according to charitie. And yet 1 notwithstanding, divers new phangled felows fprong vp of late, as the Brownists, and there adherents, have spoken verie blasphemouslie hereof, teaching in their railing pamphletes, that those who are lecturers or preach els wher than in their owne cure are accurfed before god. Than the which, what can be more abfurdle, or vntruely fpoken? For if they grant (as they cannot deny) that the word of God is good, then cannot the declaration of that which is good in one place, be hurtfull in another. And read we not that the apostles themselues went from place to place, preaching the word to euerie congregation? Christ Iesus did the same, & also taught was that he came not to preach to one citie onely, but to many?

Theod. Doe the reading ministers onely continue and read altogither in their owne charges, or not?

Amphil. The reading ministers, after they be hired of the parishes (for they are mercenaries) they read commonly in their owne charges, and cures, and except (which is a horrible abuse) that they have two or three cures to ferue, all vpon one day, and peraduenture two or three myles diftant, one from another. Which maketh them to gallop it ouer as fast as they can, and to chop it vp with all possible [* Sig. K 7, back] expediti2on, though none understand them, and as fewe be edified by them.

> Theod. Be these reading ministers well prouided for, so as they want nothing, or not?

11. 2. Bad Pay and Pluralism of Reading Ministers. 75

Amphil. No truly. For if the other preaching ministers be not Reading Ministers' pay ll provided for (as in truth they be not) then how can the other be runs from £10 well prouided for (as in truth they be not) then how can the other be well maintained? And therfore they have, fom of them ten pound a yeere (which is the most), some eight pound, some sixe pound, some fiue pound, fome foure pound, fome fortie shillings; yea, and table themselues also of the same. And sometimes failing of this too, they runne roging like vagarents vp & downe the countries like maisterlesse men, to seeke their maintenance. Whereby some fall to one mischiefe, some to another, to the great slander of the Gospell of Iefus Christ, and scandall of the godlie. And yet part of these reading mifters be too well prouided for, for some of them haue two or three, yea foure or fine benefices apeece, being refident but at one of them at once, and peraduenture at neuer a one, but roift it out elsewhere, purchasing a dispensation for their discontinuance, and then may no man fay: Domine, cur ita facis? Sir, why doe you fo? For hee hath 1 plenarie power and authoritie granted him fo to doe.

[1 Sig. K 8]

Theod. That is an horrible abuse, that one man should have two or three, or halfe a dozen benefices apeece as fome haue: may anie man haue fo manie liuings at one time, by the lawe of God, and good conscience?

Amphil. As it is not lawfull for anie man to have or enioie two wives at once, so is it not lawfull for any man, how excellent soeuer, to have mo benefices, mo flockes, cures or charges in his handes, than one at once. Nay, I am fullie perfuaded that it is more tollerable which is worse (and yet it is a damnable thing) for a man to haue two wives or mo, or 3 wives. than for a man to have two benefices at once, or mo. For by poslibilitie a man might discharge the dutie of a good husband to two or three wives (yet to have mo than one is the breach of Gods commandements), but no man, though he were as learned as Saint Paule, or the apostles themselues to whome were given supernaturall and extraordinarie giftes and graces, is able sufficientlie to discharge his dutie in the instruction of one church, or congregation, much lesse of three or foure, or halfe a dozen, as fome haue. And as one father cannot bee manie fathers, one pastor 2 manie pastours, nor one man [2 Sig. K 8, back] diuerse men, so one sheepeheard or pastour cannot, nor ought not, to One Pastor haue divers charges, and flocks at once. Is it possible for any shep-charge of heard though he were neuer fo cunning a man, to keepe two or

II. 2. Evils of Pluralism and Non-Residence.

more flocks and churches than one

three flocks or mo at once, and to feed them wel and in due feafon, dooing the dutie of a good shepheard in euerie respect, they being diffant from him, ten, twentie, fortie, fixtie, an hundred, two hundred, or three hundred miles? Much leffe is there any man able to difcharge the dutie of a good paftor over fo manie flocks, churches, and congregations fo farre diffant in place, wheras the simplest flocke that is, requireth a whole, and perfect man, & not a peece of a man. Therfore I aduise al benefice mongers, that have mo charges then one, to take heede to themselves, and to leave them in time, for the blood of al those within their cures, or charges, that die ghostlie for want of the truth of Gods word preached vnto them, shall be powred vpon their heads, at the day of judgement, and be required at their hands.

If he tries to, he must be non-resident in one parish.

[2 Sig. L. 1.]

This takes

away the Word preacht, which is the

Theod. If they have so many benefices a peece, and some so fame diftant from another, then it is not possible that they can be resident vpon them all at once. But the matter is in dispute, whether they may not as well be ab2fent, or prefent: what is your judgment of that?

Amphil. To doubt whether the paftor ought to be refident with his flocke, is to doubt whether the foule should be in the bodie, the eie in the head, or the watchman in his tower. For this I am fully perfuaded of, that as the foule is the life of the bodie, and the eie the light of the fame, so the word of God preached is the life, and light, as well to the bodie as to the foule of man. And as necessarie as the one is to the bodie, fo (and much more) necessarie is the other both to foule and bodie. Now certein it is, thefe things cannot be applied without the presence of the preacher or pastor; and therefore is his absence from his flocke a dangerous and a perilous thing, and as it were a taking away of their life and light from them, which commeth by the preaching of Gods word vnto them.

Theod. But they fay, though they be not prefent by themselves, yet be they present by their substitutes and deputies: is not that a fufficient discharge for them before God?

Ministers Substitutes are mainly like Hogherds.

Amphil. I grant they are present by their deputies and substitutes, but if a man shoulde looke into a great fort of them, he should finde them fuch as are fitter to feed hogs, than christian foules. For as for

1 Orig. their their.

11. 2. Ministers' ignorant tippling hired Deputies.

fome of them, are they 1 not fuch as can scarcely read true english? [1 Sig. L. 1 back] And for their zeale to Gods worde and true religion, are they not fuch as can scarce tell what it meaneth? The truth of Gods word they cannot eafily preach nor expound. The aduerfarie they cannot refell: barke against sinne they dare not, bicause their liues are licentious. They will read you their service faire and cleanly (as the Thothey can doting papifts did their blasphemous masses out of their portesses), and yet after it, when they have done, they will to all kinde of wanton pastimes and delights, with come that come will, and that vpon fabboth day, festivall day, or other; no day is amisse to them. And all the weeke and on weekafter, yea all the yeere (if I faid all the yeeres of their life, I lied not) awill all day at they will not sticke to keepe companie at the alehouse from morning till night, tipling and fwilling till the figne be in Capricornus. Infomuch as if you would know where the best cup of drinke is, go to these malt woormes, and I warrant you you shall not misse of your purpose. By these mercenaries their deputies, and the like, I grant they are present in all their flocks, but so as it were better or as good they were absent, for any good they doe, but rather hurt by their euill example of life. The refidence of these their deputies is no discharge for them 2 before the tribunall seate of God: for notwithstand- [2 Sig. L. 2.] ing the fame, let them be fure to answere for the bloud of euerie one of their sheepe, that miscarrieth through their default, or their deputies. Their deputies shall not excuse them at the day of judgement, I dare be their warrant. Therefore I wish them to take heed to it betime, least afterward it be too late.

Theod. But I heare fay, that what is wanting either in their depu- Pluralists may ties, or in themselues for not being daily resident, they supply either by preaching their quarter fermons themselues, or else (if they be not good able) by procuring of others to do it for them. Is not that well?

Amphil. It is as though a man euery quarter of a yeere once, than if a man shuld take his plow, & go draw a furrow in a field, & yet notwithstanding should looke for increase of the same: were not he a foolish husbandman that wold do thus? And euen so he is no lesse vnwise, that plowing but one furow, that is, preaching but one poore fermon in a quarter of a yeere (& perchance but one in a whole yeere, nay in 7. yeeres) will notwithstanding loke for gret increse of the same. Now the cause why this ground bringeth not forth fruit is, for that it

[Sig. L. z. back] Our churches don't bring forth fruit because they're not tilld with preaching.

is not plowed, furowed, & tilled al togither as it ought to be. So the cause wherefore the pore churches doe not bring forth fruit 1 is. for that they are not furrowed, manured, and tilled, as they ought. and bicause the word of God is not preached vnto them, and as it were braied, punned, interpreted, and expounded, that it, finking down into the good ground of their harts, might bring forth fruit to eternal life. If the ftrongest mans body that liueth vpon the earth should be nourished with nothing for a whole quarter of a yeeres space, but onely with two or three drops of aqua vite, aqua angelica, or the like, euery day, and at euery quarters end should be fed with all manner of dainties, I am perfwaded that his bodie notwithstanding would soone be weake inough. Nay, do you thinke it were possible to liue one quarter of a yeere? Euen so falleth out in this case. For although our foules (which line by the word of God, as our bodies doe by meate) be daily fedde with hearring the word read as it were with aqua vite, or fweet necter, and at euerie quarters ende, haue a most excellent & fumptuous banquet to pray vpon, yet may they macerate and pyne away notwithstanding, for lacke of the continuance of the fame. And therfore the worde of God is to be preached night and day, in time, and out of time, in feafon and out of feafon, and that without ceasing, or intermission. And if that saieng of the prophet be 2 true (as without all controuerfie it is most true) that he is accurfed, Qui fecerit opus domini negligenter, That doth the worke of the Lord negligently, or fraudulently, then must it needs be, that those who hauing cure of foules, and doe feldome, or neuer preach, are within the compasse of this curse. Let them take heede to it. The apostle Paule faid of himselfe, Væ mihi nist euangelizauero, Woe be to me if I preach not the gospel; and doe they thinke that the same wo is not proper to them if they prech not? Haue they a greater priuiledge than the bleffed apostle faint Paule had? No, no, these vaine excuses will not serue them; therfore, as they tender the saluation of their owne foules, and many others, I wish them to take heede, and to flew themselues painefull laborers in the Lords haruest.

God's Word should be preacht night and day with out ceasing.

[Sig. L 3.]

Woe to Ministers who won't preach it!

I'ho there's a law against Pluralism,

Theod. As far as I remember, by the lawes of Dnalgne there is a restraint, that none shall have no more benefices at once than one: how is it then, that they can holde fo manie a peece, without danger of the law?

11. 2. Dodges to avoid the Law against Pluralities. 79

Amphil. They make the lawes (as it were) shipmens hoosen, or as a nose of waxe, turning and wresting them at their pleasure, to anie thing they lust. But bicause they will avoide the lawes, they purchase dispensation, a dispensation, a li¹cence, a commission, a pluralitie, a qualification, and I cannot tell what else, by vertue whereof they may hold totquots so manie, how manie foeuer, and that with as good a conscience as Iudas received the mony for the which he fold Christ Iesus the Sauiour of the world. Or if this way will not ferue, then get they to be chaplines to honorable & noble personages, by prerogative getting a whereof they may holde I cannot tell how manie benefices, yea, as manie as they can get. But I maruell whether they thinke that these licenses shall go for good paiment at the daie of iudgement. I thinke not. For fure I am that no license of man can dispense with vs, to doe that thing which is against Gods worde (as these totquots is) and therfore vnlawful. They may blind the foolish world with pretended dispensations, and qualifications, but the Lorde will bring them to account for it in his good time: GOD grant they may folk. looke to it!

[1 Sig. L. 3.back]

But God 'll be

Theod. In whome doth the patronage, right, and gifture of these ecclefiaftical promotions and benefices confift? in the churches themfelues, or in whom else?

Amphil. Indeede you faie well. For who shoulde haue the The Patronage patronage, the right, the interest, and gifture of the benefices, but the ² churches themselues, whose the benefices are by right, and to whome, Proprio iure, They doe apperteine? For doe not the benefices confift either in tithes, or contributions, or both? Nowe, who giveth both the one and the other? Doe not the Churches? Then by good reason ought they to have the gifture and bestowing of them, and the right and interest thereof ought to remaine in the power of the church, and not in anie other private man whatsoever.

ought to be in

Theod. Why? Then I perceive you would not have anie private Every parish or finguler man of what degree foeuer, to have the patronage, the to have the right, or gifture of anie ecclefiastical liuing, but the churches themfelues: is not that your meaning?

Amphil. Yes truely, that is my meaning, and fo I am of opinion it ought to be.

Theod. Why fo, I befeech you?

80 II. 2. Every Congregation should own its Patronage.

It wouldn't abuse it as pri-vate Patrons do.

Private Patrons often cheat their Pastors of half their income.

And they move their cattle and sheep so as to avoid paying tithes on em.

[Sig. L 5]

Amphil. Bicaufe one man may eafily be corrupted, and drawne to bestowe hys benefice eyther for fauour, affection, or monie, vppon fuch as bee vnworthie; the whole Church will not fo. Againe, the whole living is nothing else but pure almes, or deuocion, or both, the [Sig. L. 4 back] Gentelman or other that pretendeth the gifture thereof, 1 gineth not the whole liuing himselfe, ergo hee ought not to haue in his owner power, the only gifture of the fame. Thirdly, the whole church will not give the same for simonie; one private man may be induced to doe it. Fourthlie, the church will keepe no part of the liuing backe from the pastor, if he doe his dutie, nor imploie it to ther owne vie; the fingularitie of one man may eafilie be abused: nay, the most patrones keepe the fatteft morfels to themfelues, and gine fcarcely the crums to their pastors. But if the benefice be woorth two hundred pound, they will fcarcely give their paftor foure fcore. If it be woorth an hundred pound, they will hardly give fortie pound. If woorth forty pound, it is well if they give ten pound, imploieng the better halfe to their owne prinate gaine. Now if this be not factilege, and a robbing of the poore churches of their fubstance, as also defrauding of the Lords minister of his dutie and right, then I knowe not what facrilege, and fraude meaneth. Yea there are fome, that having ground in another parish than where they dwell, against the time that their sheepe, kine, and other cattell should bring foorth increase, will drive them thither, so that the fruit falling in the other parish, he shall not need to pay tithes for the same to his owne pastor 2 where he dwelleth. And against the time that the other pastor of that parish where his cattell fell, shall demand his tithes thereof, they will have fetched home their cattell, so that by these finister kinde of meanes, they will neither pay in the one parish, nor in the other. But if the one commence fute against him, he answereth, they fell not in his parish: if the other doe the same, he pleadeth that he is not of his parish, nor oweth him ought. But indeed they wil pay for their ground in the other parish a little herbage (as they call it), a thing of nothing, to ftop his mouth withall. So that hereby the poore pastors are deteined from their right, and almost beggered in most places that I have come in.

Theod. How came temporall men by the right of their patronages and how fell they into their clowches, can you tell?

11. 2. How Laymen got their Church Patronage. 81

Amphil. I will tell you, as farre as ever I could coniecture, how Laymon get ...ney fel into their hands. In the beginning, when Antichrift the Parn pope exercised his vsurped authoritie, and challenged the title of the Pope havi increme head ouer the vniuerfall church of Christ vpon the face of given it to ____he earth, to whomsoeuer would either erect churches, temples, and build churches pratories (as the then world was given to blinde superstition, as to for em: inflaurate ablbeies, prieries, nunries, with other fumptuous edefices. [1 Sig. L 5, back] and houses of religion, thinking the same a worke meritorious, and to gilte, croffes, images, and the like fooleries) or else give ground for the same to be built upon, his vnholie holines did give the patronage and pretenfed right of the same church, and benefice belonging to the fame. Othersome thinke (to whome I willinglie subscribe) that the and by the King Churches (confifting of fimple and ignorant men for the most part) abusing the same benefices, and bestowing them vpon vnmeete persons. the princes have taken them out of their handes, and given the right patronage and possession of the same to the temporalitie, to the ende they might bestowe them better. But as they were taken from the churches for some causes, so ought they to be remooued and given againe to the Churches for greater causes. For nowe are they bought and soulde for fimonie, euen as an oxe or a cow is bought and fold for mony.

patronage from

Theod. Are there no lawes for the restrainte of simonie, being for We have laws horrible and deteftable vice in the church of God?

against Simony.

Amphil. Yes, that there are. As he that is patrone taking monie for his benefice, to loofe the patronage of the same, and the 2ecclesi- [2 Sig. L 6] afficall person, that gineth it, to louse the same benefice, the monie given or promifed to be given, and to remaine incapable of anie other ecclefiafticall promotion afterwarde for euer. But doe you thinke they are fooles? Haue they no shift to defeate the lawe? Yes, I warrant you. For though they give two hundred, or three hundred pound for a benefice, yet it shall be done so cloosely, as no dogges shall barke at it. But bicause at the time of their initiation, inflitution, induction and admission, they are sworne whether they came by it by fimonie or no, whether they gaue anie monie for Simony is it or no, therefore, to avoide the guilte of periurie, they, the pastors themselues, will not give anie monie, but their friendes shall doe money for the it for them; and than may they sweare (with as good a conscience as euer Iudas betraied Christ) that they gaue not a penny, but came SHARSPERE'S ENGLAND : STUBBES, II.

82 II. 2. Abuses of Private Patronage of Livings.

Or they buy a worthless thing for £100.

[1 Sig. I. 6, back]

Private Patronages should be abolisht.

Poor Pastors haven't money to buy books.

[2 Sig. L 7]

Pagans take better care of their Priests.

by it freely, as of gifte. Or if this waie fayle them, than must they giue the patrones a hundred pounde, or two hundred pounds vpon fome bargayne, that is not woorth a hundred pence, and then mave they fweare, if neede be, that they came by the benefice frankelye, and freelye, and that they gaue the money vppon fuch and fuch a bargaine, 1 without fome of these practises, or without such a dish of apples as Mafter Latimer talketh of, with thirty angels in enery apple, thogh he be neuer fo learned a man, I warrant him he gets nothing. But if he can get a graffe of this tree loden with fuch golden apples, it will ferue him better then all Saint Paules learning. For thefe and the like abuses infinite, if the patronages were taken away from them that now enjoy them, nay, that make hanocke of them, and either to rest in the right of the Prince (as they ought) or else in the right of the churches, who will not be corrupted, it were a great deale better than nowe they bee. For now the poore pastours are fo handled at the hands of their patrones, that they neyther have mony to buy them bookes withall, nor, which is leffe, not to maintaine themselues vppon, though but meanelye, but are manye times conftrained either to wander abroad to feeke their liuings, or els to take vp their Inne in an alehouse, or in some od corner or other, to the great discredite of the gospell of Christ, and offence of the godlie. This argueth flatly that we loue not Chrift Iefus, who make fo little of his messengers, and ambassadors. He that despiseth you, despiseth me, and he that receaueth and maketh much of you, he receiveth 2 me, and maketh much of me, faith Christ. The heathen gentils, and pagans, prouide better for their idolatrous priefts, then we doe for the true preachers of the gospell, and disclosers of the secrets of God. For when the Egyptians were fore pooled of Pharao, the priefts, by his commandement, were excepted, and permitted to haue all neceffarie maintenance whatfoeuer. But we are of another mind, for we thinke whatfoeuer we get of them is won, it is our own good, whereas in truth, what we withdrawe from them (prouided that they be diligent preachers of the gospell) we withdraw it from God, and ferrie it to the deuil. But hereof more shal be spoken (Christ willing) hereafter, when we come to this question, whether it be lawful for preachers and ministers of the Gospell, to receive wages and stipends for preaching of the worde.

Theod. By what law may a minister of the Gospell make claime Ministers can to tithes, and other profits, emoluments, duties, and commodities, belonging to him, by ye law of God, or of man?

Amphil. God, in the law of Moses, gaue speciall commandement that tithes, and other oblations, commodities and profits should be given to the priests, to the end that they might attend upon the divine feruice of God and not 1 bufie themselues in worldly affaires, which [1 Sig. L 7, back] ordinance or fanction being meere ceremonial, is now fully abrogate by Christ (for in him the truth, al ceremonies, shadowes, types & figures ceased, & toke their end) And therfore cannot a preacher of the Gospel claime his tithes by the lawe of Moses, but by the positive lawes of Christian princes which are to be obeied in all things (not kings, directly against true godlinesse) vpon paine of damnation.

Theod. Are tithes then due to be paid by the positive lawe of man, and not by the law of God?

Amphil. Yea truly, by the positive lawe of man: which godlie constitution is now no lesse to be obeied vnder the Gospel (being commanded by a christian prince) than the divine institution was to be obeied vnder the law. And although tithes bee due by the positiue lawes of man, yet are the same grounded vpon the word of God, grounded on the as commanded as well by God as by man. And therefore he that breaketh this ordinance (being an excellent policie) violateth the commandements of God, and breketh the constitution of his liege prince to his damnation, except be repent.

Theod. Must euerie one pay his tithes truely to euery pastor, whether he be ought or 2 naught, learned or vnlearned, without any [2 Sig. L8] exception; or may he deteine it with good conscience from him that is an vnfit and vnable minister?

Amphil. If he be a good pastor, and diligent in his calling, and withal able to discharge the dutie of a faithful shepheard over his flock, then ought he to have all tithes paid him whatfoeuer with the better; and if any should withhold the lest mite from him, he sinneth against the maiestie of God most greeuously. And although he be a wicked man and not able to discharge his dutie, though but in small wicked man measure, yet ought euerie man to pay him his due faithfully and paid him, truly. For in denieng him his dutie, they might seeme to withstande authoritie, which they ought not to doe. In the meane time giuing

84 II. 2. Ministers may preach to other Flocks gratis.

themselues to praier, and suing to them that have the authoritie for his displacing, and placing of another that is more able in some measure to discharge the dutie of a faithfull partor. Notwithstanding I know some are of opinion that if any man give either tithes, or anie dutie else, to their pastor being an vnsit and an vnable person, he is partaker with him of his sinne, he communicateth with other mens offences, and he maintaineth him in his idlenesse, sloth, ignorance, and securite, and therefore offendeth greewously. But I am of opinion that every man ought to pay their dutie (for else he might seeme, as I said, to resist the power) & if he be not able to discharge his dutie, to pray for his removing, and to make instance to them that are in authoritie appointed for the redresse of such informities, for his displacing, and so not to attempt anything without good and lawfull authoritie grounded upon the word for the same.

Theod. May a paftor that hath a charge and a flocke affigned him to watch ouer (hauing a maintainable liuing allowed him of his flock) preach in other places for mouie?

Amphil. Hee may fometimes, obteining licence for fome reasonable cause of his owne slocke, preach the word of God abroad in other places, but then he ought to doe it gratis, contenting himselfe with the liuing allowed him at home of his owne parish. Notwithstanding, if the other churches where he shall have preached, will voluntarily impart any thing to the supplie of his necessities, in respect of his painstaking, he may thankfully receive the same, but he may not compell, nor constraine them to give it him whether they will or not, against their wils, as manie impudently doe.

Theod. Then I perceive if it be not law full for a pastor that hath a flocke, and a stipend appointed him, to receive monie vppon constraint of strangers for preaching the worde abroad in other places, then is it not lawfull for him to take monie in his cure for preaching funerall sermons, marriage sermons, christening sermons, and the like, as many do. What say you to this?

Amphil. There are manie woorthie of great blame in this refpect. For though they receive fortie pound, a hundred pound, or two hundred pound a yeere, of some one parish, yet will they hardly preach once a moneth, nay happily not once in a quarter of a yeere, and sometimes not once a twelve moneth, for the same. And if a

[1 Sig. L 8, back]

but his parishioners should try to get him removed.

An endowd Minister may not

force men to pay him for preaching in other places.

[* Sig. M. 1.]

Ministers may not take fees for sermons

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man request them to preach at a burial, a wedding, or a christening, at Burials, they will not doe it vnder an angell, or a noble at the left. And therefore the papists and adversaries to the Gospel call our Gospel, 'a polling Gospel,' our fermons 'roiall fermons, angell sermons, and noble fermons.' You call, fay they, our bleffed maffe 'a polling maffe; but, fay they, your preachings are more polling. For we fay they would have fold a masse for a grote; you will not sell a sermon vnder a roiall, or a noble. And thus these fellowes are a slander to the Those that do Gospel, and robbers of their fellowe brethren. If I should hire a the Gospel 1 man for fortie pound, an hundred pound, or more, or lesse, to teach ['Sig. M. z. back] my children nurture or knowledge, if he for the execution therof should aske me more for the same than we agreed for, were not this man a naughtie, exacting, and fraudulent felowe? Nay, if I compound with him to teach them in the best maner he is able for so much, and he doth it not, and yet receive my monie, have not I good lawe against him? If he should say vnto me, I will not doe it except you give me more, were not this a very vnreasonable man? For, having his monie that was covenant, is hee not bound both by lawe and conscience to teach them to the vttermost of his power? Or if he shall not doe it, and yet take my monie, is not he a theese and robber? Is this true in a private man, & not in an ecclefiafticall person? Is he not hired to that end & purpose to preach the word of God to his flocke? And hath hee not wages for the same? Shall he now denie to preach the same word except he haue more monie? pay. Or is he not bound in conscience to preach the same night and day without ceasing? And if he doe not, is he not a deceiver, a theefe, & a robber? The pastor therefore, having taken vpon him the cure & charge of his flocke, and having his stipend appointed for the fame, is bound to preach the worde of 2God to all his flocke indiffer- [2 Sig. M. a.] ently whether it be at buriall, wedding, christening (yea then especially) or at any other time whenfoeue, without taking or requiring of any more monie, than the stipend he was hired for. For if he take any more, it is plaine theft before God, and one day shall be answered for: let them be fure of it.

Theod. You condemne not funerall fermons then, so that they be good, doe you?

Amphil. No, God forbid. Why should not godlie sermons be as

86 II. 2. Funeral Sermons Good. Ministers should be paid.

I think godly Sermons at Funerals are very needful, and do great good. wholsome (and as necessarie) at the burials of christians, when wee haue such lively spectacles before our eies, of our mortality, miserie, and end, as they be at all other times? Yea truely at that present I thinke godlie sermons verie necessarie to put the people in remembrance of their mortalitie, of their great miserie, and frailtie, of their fatall end, of the immortalitie of the soule, of the generall resurrection at the last day, and of the ioie, selicitie, and beatitude of the life to come, with the like godlie instructions, that they may the better prepare themselves to the same when God shall call them hence to himselfe. And although of late some phantasticall spirites have taught that the vie of them is naught, in that they stand in place of popish diriges, and I cannot tell what, yet cannot I be easilie drawne to assent vnto them, for that I see them in that respect a great deale more curious than godlie wise.

[1Sig. M. 2. back]

Ministers ought to have Stipends, so as

to be free from worldly business, and keep their families, Theod. Is it lawfull, thinke you, for ministers, and preachers of the Gospell, to receive stipends, and wages for their preaching?

Amphil. Why not? Otherwise how should they bee able to keepe themselues free from worldly occupations, and trauels of this life (as they ought) to applie their studies for the discharge of their duties, to maintaine themselues, their family, and houshold; or how shuld they keepe hospitalitie for the releefe of the poore' all which they are bound to doe both by Gods lawe, and good conscience. Therefore take away liuings and wages from the preachers, and ouerthrowe preaching altogither, the ordinarie meane to faluation in Christ. This caused the apostle to enter disputation of this point, where he prooueth by inuincible arguments, that a preacher or minister of the Gospell of Christ Iesus, may (Salua conscientia, With a good conscience) receive wages and stipends for his peines susteined in the affaires of the Gofpell, and that for the causes abouesaid. Therefore saith this apostle: Boui 2 trituranti non ligabis os, Thou shalt not mussle the mouth of the oxe that treadeth foorth the corne. Whereby is ment, that he that laboreth and taketh paines in any good exercife, ought not to be denied of his meed for his paines. Againe he faith: Dignus eft operarius mercede sua, The workman is woorthie of his reward. And ftill infifting in the fame argument, hee faith: Qui euangelium prædicant, ex euangelio viuant, They that preach the Gospell, let them live vpon the Gospell. And yet further profecuting the same more at

[2 Sig. M. 3.]

St. Paul says that Ministers who preach the Gospel should live by it.

11. 2. Benefist Clergy not to take Money of other Flocks. 87

large, he faith: Quis militat, etc. 'Who goeth on warfare at any time of his owne charges? Who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit? Who feedeth a flocke, and eateth not of the milke of the flock?' By al which reasons and arguments it appeareth, that he who preacheth the Gospel ought to liue of the Gospell. But as euerie pastor that bath a peculiar flocke assigned him, may, with the testimonie of a good conscience, receive wages and maintenance of his flocke, for his paines taken amongst them; so may he not, nor ought not, to take wages or falarie of any other flocke adioining, if so be it, that either vpon request, or his owne voluntarie good will, he preach the word of God amongst them. To them that are thus prouided for, Christ our 1 sauiour saith: Gratis accepistis, gratis date, Freely you haue [Sig. M. 3. back] received, freely give againe. But if any have not a special flocke or charge affigned him, then may he with good conscience receive the beneuolencie, the friendly contributions and rewards, of the churches to whom he hath preached. And this is probable, both by the word of God, and the examples of the apostles themselues.

But benefist

Theod. What fay you of preachers, and lecturers, that have no peculiar flockes, nor charges appointed them; are they necessarie, and may they receive wages, with a good conscience, of the flockes and charges where they preach the word of God?

Amphil. First you aske me whether preachers and lecturers that Unbenefist haue no peculiar flocks nor charges of their owne to attend vpon, be necessarie. Whereto I answere. That considering the state & condition of the church at this day, they are most necessarie. But if it were so, that euerie church and congregation had his preacher (as euery one ought to preach, else is he not sent by the Lord) then were they not so necessarie; but considering that most churches are planted and fraught with fingle reading ministers, they are verie behouefull to only Readers. helpe to supplie the defect of the others, that 2 through the good indus- [2 Sig. M. 4.] trie as well of the one, as of the other, the churches of GOD may bee instructed and nourished with the worde of GOD to eternall life. Then you aske mee whether these lecturers and preachers may receive Unbenefist wages of the churches to whom they preach, with a good conscience, whereto I answere, that they may. But yet I am persuaded, that it were much better for them to have particular flocks of their owne, to the end that they, receiving sufficient maintenance of them, might

88 H. 2. Ministers to be content with poor Livings.

(if they were at anie time disposed to bestowe any spiritual graces abroad) doe it *Gratis*, frankly and freely, without any charges to the poore churches of Iesus Christ.

Theod. But what if the pastors living be not maintaineable nor sufficient for him to live vpon, may hee not take wages of other slocks abroad?

ought the church to mend it; but if the church, either for want of zeale will not, or through extreame pouertie cannot, increase his living,

then ought the pastor to content himselfe with that little which God hath sent him, following the example of the apostle, who biddeth

be it much: for if they have meate, drinke, and cloth, it is inough, and as much as nature requireth. We brought nothing (faith he) into this world, neither shall we carrie any thing out. Againe, those that will be rich, fall into divers temptations, and snares of the divell, which drowne men in perdition and destruction. Therefore if it be sufficient to yeelde him meate, drinke, cloth, and other necessaries, he is bound to content himselfe with the same. Which if he doe (for

the zeale he beareth to his flocke), I doubt not but the Lord will open the harts of his flock towards him, and both make them able

and willing to fupport his necessities. For if hee deliuer vnto them fpirituall things, doubtlesse the Lord will moue them to give vnto

him temporall things. And therfore ought he to perfeuere; and in his good time, without all peraduenture, the Lord will looke vpon

Amphil. I am persuaded no. For if his living be too little, then

But benefist ones may not, even if their Livings are very poor.

They must be content with em,

and wait till the Lord opens men's hearts to give them more.

him, as he hath promifed.

Theod. Doe you allow of that vagarant ministerie, which is in manie countries, but most specially in Dnalgne sprong up of late, to the discredite of the Gospell of Iesus Christ, and offence of the brethren?

[2 leaf M 5] The present Vagrant Ministers, Amphil. Allow of it, quoth you? No, God forbid! But I rather deplore it with all my hart, 2knowing that it is most directly against the word of God, the example of the primitiue age and all good reformed churches thorough the world. Is it not a pitifull case that two hundred, three hundred, fine hundred, a thousand, fine thousand, yea possible ten thousand, shall be called into the ministerie, in one countrie, not a quarter of them knowing where to have any living or

[Sig. M.4 back] the children of GOD 1 to be content with their wages, bee it little or

11. 2. The abuse of Vagrant Ministers.

charge? And what do they then? Runne stragling and rouing roaming all over the country, ouer countries, from towne to towne, from citie to citie, from shire to I condemn. shire, and from one place to another, till they have spent al that ever they have, and then the most of them either become beggers, or else attempt wicked and vnlawfull meanes to liue by, to the great difhonour of God, and flander of the word.

Theod. Me thinke this is a great abuse, that so manie, or any at all, should be called into the ministerie, not having flocks and charges prouided for them before.

Amphil. It is a great abuse indeed. For if pastor come of Pasco, to feed, if he be not a shepheard that hath no flock, and if he be not a feeder, that giveth no fustinance, nor a father that hath no childe, then are they no shepheards, nor no watchmen sent from the Lord, that have neither flocks, nor charges to watch ouer. For The that is made a shepheard (or a minister) that hath no particular [1 leas M 5, back] flocke readie to receive him, is so far from being a lawfull shepheard, by reason of his former admission, that he is rather made a pastor by the church that hireth him to be their watchman and guide, than of him that first called him into that function. And therefore woulde I wish that bishops and others to whome it doth (Ex officio) apperteine to call, and admit pastors, and teachers in the church of GOD, to bee verie carefull heerein, and not rashly to lay their handes vpon any, before they have had fufficient triall, as well of their life and doctrine, as also of the flock and charge where they shal be resident, that they these men go not like maisterlesse hounds, vp and downe the countries, to the like masterless flander of the Gospell.

Theod. Why? Then I perceive you would have none called into No one should the ministerie, before there be a place void for him: is not that your meaning?

Amphil. That is my meaning indeed.

Theod. But are you able to prooue your assumption out of the word of God, or else I will give but smal credit to you in such matters of controuersie as this is?

Amphil. I have not, neither doe I meane to speake anie thing vnto you touching these matters, but what I am able (I trust) to ² prooue by the worde of GOD. And yet I grant Errare possum (for Hominis est labi, & decipi, Man may bee deceived and fall) but

a place is ready for him

90 II. 2. No one to be ordaind till he has a Cure.

Hereticus effe nolo, Erre I may, but heretike I will not be. No, so soone as I shall be convinced by the manifest worde of God, of any of my former positions or assertions, I will willingly subscribe to the

truth. But being perfuaded as I am, giue me leaue, I befeech you (vnder correction) to fpeake what I thinke. But now to the purpole. In the first chapter of the Actes of the apostles recorded by the Evangelist Saint Luke, wee read that Matthias succeeding Iudas the traitour in the administration of the apostleship, was not chosen nor elected (notwithstanding that the apostles by the reuelation of the Spirite of GOD, knew that he should fall from the same in the end) vntill the place was voide, and emptie. In the fixt chapter of the Actes of the apostles wee reade also of seuen deacons, which were chosen for the dailie ministring to the poore; but when, I pray you? Not before the church (destitute of their service) had need of them, nor before there 1 were places readie to receive them, wherein they might exercise their function, and calling. Then if the apostles would not choose not so much as deacons, which is an office in the church of God farre inferiour to the office of the paftor, or preacher, before places were void and readie to receive them, much leffe would they, or did they choose or call any pastor into the church of God, before the church stood in need of him, and before there be a place readie to receive him. Befides that, we read not thorough the whole euangelicall historie, that euer the apostles called any to be pastors and preachers of the word, before fuch time as there were places void for them. Common reason, me thinke, and daily experience, should teach us this truth fufficiently, if we were not wilfully blinded, that

Matthias wasn't elected

till Judas's place was empty.

The Apostles wouldn't choose Deacons until [* leaf M 6, back] places were ready for em.

Common sense says, better wait and get one able man than have 200 unfit ones struggling about after places.

Theod. What order would you have observed in this?

[2 leaf M 7]

Any congregation wanting a Pastor, should propose 2 or 3 tried men to the Bishop, three or three

eate fluttish puddings.

² Amphil. Me thinke this were a verie good order: That euerie church or congregation being defitute of a paftor, should present to the bishops, and others to whom it dooth apperteine, one or two, three or foure able persons, or mo, or lesse, as they conveniently can,

when any church or congregation is deftitute of a paftor, it were

better to place there one able person, than to make two or three

hundred or mo vnable fellowes, and they, for want of liuing, to runne ftragling the countries ouer, without any liuing or maintenance at all, being glad of any thing. For as the old faieng is: Hungrie dogs

11. 2. How Ministers should be appointed to Churches. 91

whose liues and conversations they have had sufficient triall of, whose foundnesse in religion, integritie of life, and godly zeale to the truth they are not ignorant of. Then the bishops and others to whom it doth apperteine, to examine and trie them thoroughly for their fufficiencie in learning, foundnesse in doctrine, and dexteritie in teaching, and finding them furnished with sufficient gifts for such an honorable calling, to admit them, to lay their hands uppon them, and to fend them foorth (the chiefest of them) to that congregation or for that Church church so destitute. Which order, if it were strictly observed and kept (as it ought to be) then should not so manie run abroad in the countries to feeke liuings, then should not churches bee pestered with insufficient ministers. Then should not the bishops be so deceived in manie as they be. And no maruell. For how should the bishop choose but be deceived in him, whom he never sawe before, whose conversation he knoweth not, whose disposition hee is ignorant of, and 1 whose qualities and properties in generall, he suspecteth not? [leaf M 7, back] Whereas if this order were established, that euerie church destitute of a pastor should present certaine able men, whose conversation and integritie of life in euerie respect they perfectly knowe (for the whole church is not likely to erre in judging of their conversations, who haue been either altogither, or for the most part conversant among them) then (as I say,) should not the bishop be deceived in any, nor yet any church scandalized with the wicked liues of their pastors (or rather depastors) as they be. For now it is though sufficient for the Now, a Bishop certeintie of his conversation, if he either have letters dimissorie from proof of a one bishop to another (whereas they little or nothing knowe the conversation of the man) or else letters commendatorie from any gentleman, or other, especially if they be of any reputation. If he can get these things, he is likely to speede, I warrant him. Which thing is scarce well, in my iudgement. For you knowe one private man or two, or three, or foure may, peraduenture either write vpon affection, or else bee corrupted with bribes or gifts, whereas the whole church cannot, nor would not. Therefore is the other the furer way.

² Theod. How prooue you that the churches that are destitute of a [2 leaf M 8] pastor, ought to present him whom they would have admitted, to the not to intrude bishop, and not the bishop to intrude vpon the church whom he will? their nominees on churches,

andidate's

92 11. 2. Bishops ought not to appoint whom they like.

apostie Peter knowing it necessarie that one shoulde be chosen in hi place, to give testimonie and witnesse of the resurrection and after fion of Christ Iesus, commanded the church to present one or two, a

mo, as they thought good, that hee with his fellowe brethren migh confirme and allow them. And therevppon, faith the text, the chose two, to wit, Matthias, and Ioseph, surnamed Bersalas. An the church having presented them, they were elected, confirmed an allowed of the apostles an elders. Also in the foresaide fixt chapter of the Acts of the apostles, when the deacons (whose office was to make collections for the poore, and to fee the fame bestowed vpor

them without fraud or deceit) were to be chosen, the text faith, that the apostles desired the church to choose foorth seuen men from

amongst them, of honest report, & ful of the holie Ghost, which

that the church ought to prefent him, or them, whom they would

haue to be admitted, and not that the bishop ought to present, to allow, or to intrude him vpon the church at his pleafure, against the

Amphil. In the first chapter of the Actes of the apostles before cited, we read, that after the defection of Iudas the traitour, the

for the Apostles

bade the Church present suc-cessors to Judas Iscariot.

They also bade the Church choose Deacons.

[' leaf M 8, back] they might appoint to that bufineffe. 1 By all which reasons appereth So now each Church should choose its Pastor.

will thereof.

Theod. Why would you not have paftors to be thrust upon the churches, whether the churches will or not?

If it doesn't, it won't like him.

Amphil. Bicause it is manifest that no church will so willingly receive, nor yet fo louingly imbrace, him that is intruded vpon them against their wils, as they will doe him that they like of, choose, and allow of themselues. And if the churches beare not a fingular love, fauour, good will, and affection to their paftor, it is vnpoffible that they should heare him, or learne of him with profit to their soules And if they heare him not Auide & fitienter (as we fay) Greedily and thirstily thereby to profit, then shal they perish euerlastingly, in that the word of God is the ordinarie meane appointed by the divine maiestie. And therefore in conclusion, if there be not a mutual amitie, loue, and affection betwixt the paftor and his flocke, and if that the one loue not the other, as themselues, it is not to be looked for that either the one shall teach, or the other receive, any thing to their foules 2 health, but rather the cleane contrarie.

[Sig. N. r.]

Theod. I pray you what is your judgement in this? What if a

11. 2. When a Minister may turn Layman again. 93

man be once lawfully called into the ministerie, may he euer vpon As to a Minanie occasion whatsoeuer, leaue off the same function, and applie himfelfe to fecular affaires?

Amphil. There is a twofold calling. The one a divine calling immediately from God, the other a humane calling immediately from and by man. Now he that hath the first divine calling (his confcience suggesting the same vnto him, and the spirit of God certifieng if he's called by his spirit of the certeintie thereof) being furnished with gifts and graces necessarie for such a high function and office (as God calleth none, but he indueth them first with gifts, and graces necessarie for their calling) and afterwards is lawfully called of man according to the and then by man, prescript of Gods word, having a flocke appointed him wherevpon to attend, this man may not, nor ought not at any hand to give ouer his calling, but to perseuere in the same to the end, for that he hath both the diuine and humane callings, being furnished with all gifts and graces necessarie (in some measure) for the discharge of his high function and calling. Yet notwithstanding, in time of extreame persecution, when Gods truth is persecuted, and his glorie defa¹ced, if ['Sig. N. t. back] he have not wherewithall to maintaine his estate otherwise, he may for the time giue himselse to manuall occupations, and corporall exercises in the affaires of the worlde, as we see the apostles themselves did, who, after Christ Iesus was crucified, gaue themselues to their old occupations of fishing, making of nets, tents, paulions, and the like. But vpon the other fide, if a man have not this divine calling, his But if he's not conscience bearing him witnesse thereof, nor yet the graces, gifts, and and hasn't fit ornaments of the minde, fit for his calling (which, who oeuer hath work, he not, it is a manifest argument that the Lorde hath not sent him, for those that hee sendeth, hee furnisheth with all kinde of graces and giftes necessarie for their callings) this man, though he be called by humane calling neuer fo precisely, yet he may, nay, hee ought, to should at once leave his function, as vnwoorthie to occupie a roome in the church of God, representing (as an idoll doth) that thing which hee is not. Befides, hee that is compelled and inforced either by friendes (as Men forst by manie are), or by pouertie (as not a few bee), or for anie other respect poverty into the Ministry, and else, to take that high function vpon him, without the testimonie of a being unsit, good conscience, being not furnished with gifts, and graces fit for tuch a calling (which argueth di²rectly that God bath not called him) [* Sig. N. 2.]

94 II. 2. Unfit Ministers ought to give up their charges.

ought to leave

hee, I fay, is so farre from being bounde neuer to leave his function and calling, that hee ought not one minute of an houre to continue in the same, though he bee called by man a thousande times. Therefore he that is a minister, and hath charge of soules committed vnto him, let him if hee bee not furnished with such gifts as his high calling requireth, in the name of GOD make no doubt of it to give over his sunction vnto others that are able for their giftes to discharge the same, in the meane time giving himselfe to godlie exercises of life, as God may be glorisied, his conscience disburthened, and the commonwealth profited.

Theod. But I have heard of fome that, confidering the naughtinesse of their calling, and their owne insufficiencie to discharge the same, have therefore left off their function, giving themselves to secular exercises, and in the ende have beene inforced to resume their former sunction vpon them againe, and that whether they would or not. How thinke you of this?

[* Sig. N.s. back]
Those who
would drive
them back into
Orders, offend
grievously.

Amphil. I thinke truely that they who compelled them to take againe that function which they were not able to discharge, and 1 therefore left it, have greeuously offended therein. This is as if I, knowing a fimple ignorant foole prefumptuously to haue taken vpon him a great and waightie charge, yea, fuch a charge as all the wifedome in the world is not able thoroughly to performe, and when he, in taking a view of his owne infufficiencie, shuld be mooued to leave his charge to others better able to execute the fame than hee, I should notwithflanding not onely counfell, but also compell him to refigne againe his former great charge, which I knowe he is neither woorthie, nor yet able, euer to accomplish. Thinke you not that he that compelleth him to take againe that office or calling which before he had leaft for his inabilitie, shall not answere for the same? yes truely, you may be fure of it. In conclusion, he that is sufficiently furnished with such gifts as are necessarie for his calling, & withal is found able to difcharge in some fort his duty, ought not to leave his function (for to fuch a on that fo doth, Christ faith 'hee that laieth hande vppon the plough, and looketh backe, is not fit for the kingdome of God'). But againe, he that hath not these gifts, and graces sufficient for his calling, to the discharge of his dutie, ought not to occupie a place in the church of God, as the paftor thereof, much leffe ought he, 2 when

No unfit Pastors should be re-appointed,

[* Sig. N. 3.]

he hath (for his inabilitie) leaft the same, to be constrained to resume againe his former function and calling, which he is not able to difcharge. But hereof inough.

Theod. Then I perceive that any minister or ecclesiasticall person that hath not gifts sufficient to discharge his duty, may with good conscience leave their functions, and give themselves to live by their bread. labors, as other temporall men doe: may they not?

They'd better

Amphil. Yes, with a better conscience than to retaine them, being not able to discharge them in any small measure. For with what conscience can be receive temporall things of his flocke, and is not able to give them spirituall? With what face can a shepeheard receive of his sheepe, the milke, the wooll, and sleece, and yet will not, or cannot give to the fame either meate or drinke sufficiently? With what conscience can he receive fortie pound, a hundred pound, How can a or two hundred pound, a yeere, of his poore flocke, and is not able to take pay for breake to them the breade of life, in fuch forme and maner as he give? ought? Nay, how can he euer haue quiet conscience that knowing that the blood of all those that die ghostlie for want of instruction shal be powred vpon his head at the day of judgment, and be demanded at his handes, will yet not with standing reteane the same [1 Sig. N. 3. back] charge and function to himselfe still, not being able to discharge the least iote of the same? Therefore would I wish every man of what office, function, or calling foeuer he be, if he be not able to discharge his dutie in the fame, to giue it ouer, and not for greedinesse of a little Let unsit men mucke or dung of the earth, (For monie is no better) to cast away their foules, which Iesus Christ bath bought with his most precious blood.

Theod. Is it lawfull for a pastor or minister that hath a slocke to departe from the same, In the time of plague, pestilence, or the like, for feare of infection?

Amphil. Is he a good sheepeheard that, when he seeth the wolues comming, will take him to his heeles and runne away? Or is he a fure freend that, when a man hath most neede of his helpe, will then get him packing, not shewing any freendship towardes him at all? I thinke not? And truly no more is he a good pastor, or A minister is minister, (but rather a depastor, and minister) that in time of any Depastor, who plague, pestilence or ficknes whatsoeuer, will conuey himselfe away sear of infection.

96 11. 2. No good Pastor will run away in Plague time.

[* Sig. N. 4.]

Such runaways, to save their bodies, will hazard a thousand souls.

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But God will follow and strike them.

Cannot God protect his servants now from death?

from his flocke, for feare of infection, at the houre of death, when the poore people haue most need of comfort aboue all other times, then is he their paftor that shoulde feede 1them, the furthest from When they stande vppon the edge, as it were, of faluation or damnation, then permits he the wolfe to have the rule over them. Our Sauiour Christ faith Bonus pastor animulam dat pro ouibus, A good shepheard giueth his life for his sheepe, but these felowes are so far from giuing their liues for their sheepe, that they seeke to saue their owne liues with the destruction of their whole flocke. This is the loue that they beare vnto their flocke, this is the care they have ouer their foules health, which Christ Iesus bought so deere with the price of his blood. Out ypon those shepheards that for feare of incurring of corporall death (which is to the Godly an entraunce into parpetuall glorie) will hazard manie a thousande to die a corporall and a spirituall death both, yea, a death of damnation both of body & foule for euer. Do they thinke that their blod shall not be asked at their handes at ye gret day of the Lord. Do they thinke that their flieng away from their flock, is a mean to preferue their lives ye longer vpon earth? Is not God able to ftrike them as well in the fields, as in the city, as well in the country as in the towne, in one place, as well as in another? Is not his power eueriewhere? meffenger death in al places? Saith he not in the booke of Deuteron, that if we doe 2 not those things which he hath commanded vs in his facred word, curfed shall wee bee at home, and curfed in the fields. And faith he not further, that the plague and peftilence, the botch, bile, blaine, or else what deadly infection soeuer, shall followe vs, and lay hold vpon vs, in what place foeuer we be, and shall neuer depart from vs, till it have quite confumed vs from the face of the earth? And doe these fugitives that overrun their flocks in time of infection, thinke that they shall escape the heavie wrath and vengeance of God for their tergiuersation and backsliding from their duties? Doe they thinke that God cannot faue them from corporal death but with the breach of their duties towards God? Is not the Lord as well able to defend them from any deadly infection, if it be his good pleafure, as he was to defend Sidrach, Mifaach, and Abednego from the flaming fire? Daniell from the mouth of the lions, Ionas from the lawes of the mightie whale, with manie others that trufted

11. 2. God can protect his own. Duty to the death. 97

in him? Doe they thinke that his arme is shortened, or his power weakened? Is he not able to deliuer his children, that in dooing of their duties depend vpon his prouidence? And to bee plaine with them, me think that in flieng away from their flockes, they shew themselues to thinke 1 that either God is not almightie, or else not [leaf N 5] mercifull, or neither. For if they beleeved that he were almightie, and that hee were able to faue them, then they would neuer run awaie from their flocke, but depending vpon his prouidence, beleeue that he is as well able to deliuer them in one place as in another, if it bee his good pleasure. And if they beleeved that he were mercifull, then would they rest vpon the same, not doubting, but as he is almightie, and omnipotent, and therefore can doe al things, so he is most mercifull, and therfore wil preserve al those that put their trust He will preserve in him. If a temporall magistrate that exerciseth but a civil office trust in him. in the commonwealth, shuld go away from his charge for feare of infection or plague, wheras his present abode might do more good than his absence, he greatly offendeth; how much more then offendeth he, that being a pastor or feeder of soules, flieth away from his charge, wheras his presence might doe a thousand times more good than his absence? And if it please the Lord to take them away to himselfe, are they not most happie? Enter they not into eternall glorie? And happy are they. have they not an end of all miseries and paines in this life, and the perfect fruition of perpetuall ioie in the heauens? Are they not bleffed, if when the Lord shal call them, he find them so well occu-[' leaf N 5, back] pied as in feeding, & breaking the bread of life to, the pore members of Christ Iesus for whose sakes he shed his hart blood?

Theod. But they fay, we ought not to tempt God, which thing they must needs doe if they shoulde tarrie when they see death before their face. And they say surther, that it is written that we must keepe the whole from the ficke, and the ficke from the whole. Besids, saie they, Natura dedit, potestatem tuendi vitam omni animanti, Nature hath given power of defending of life to euerie liuing creture. Againe, euery thing fleeth from his contrarie, but death is contrarie Cowardly to nature, for it came through the corruption of nature, therfore we for fleeing from flie from the same by the instinct of nature. These and the like fond reasons they alledge for their excuse in flieng from their flocks and charges: what fay you to them?

And if he takes

98 II. 2. The excuses of cowardly Pastors refuted.

These refuted:

God has bidden his Pastors to feed his Sheep.

[1 leaf N 6]

Men with no duty to stay in danger may go from it.

But Ministers

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are specially bound to be at the deathbeds of their flocks.

Many who've led a wicked life

Amphil. I can faie little to them. But onelie this, that none of all these reasons doe priviledge them to discontinue from their flockes and charges. And whereas they faie, that their flaieng were a tempting of God, it is verie vntrue, it is rather a reuerent obedience to this tripled commandement, Pasce oues meas, pasce oues meas, pasce oues meas, Feede my sheepe, feede my sheepe, feede my sheepe. But indeede if it were so that a private man who hath no 1 kind of function nor office, neither ecclefiafticall nor temporall, feeing himfelfe if he flaie stil in great danger of death, & might avoid the danger by flieng, & fo by the grace of God prolong his life, and yet will not, this man, if he tarrieth, tempteth the Lord, and is a murtherer of himselfe before God. And to such it is said, 'thou shalt keepe the whole from the ficke, & the fick from the whole.' This is the meaning & sence of these words, and not that they do priviledge any man for not doing of his dutie. But notwithstanding all that can be faid in confutacion of this great & extreeme contempt of their duties, I have knowne and doe know fome ministers (nay, wolues in sheepes clothing) in Dnalgne that in time of any plague, pestilence or infection, thogh there hath bin no gret danger at all, that haue bin fo far from continuing amongst their flock, that if any one of them were ficke, although of neuer fo common or viuall difeafe, yet fearing to be infected with the contagion thereof, they have absented themselues altogither, from vifiting the fick according as they ought, & as dutie doth bind them. Yea, fome of them (suppose you of mercenaries, & hirelings, but not of good paftors) are fo nice, fo fine & fo feareful of death forfoth, that in no case they cannot abide to vifit the ficke, neither by day nor 2 by night. But in my judgement it is as incident to their office and dutie, to vifite, to comfort, to instruct, and relieue the sicke, at the houre of death, as it is for them to preach the word of God to their flocke al the daies of their life. And peraduenture they may doe more good in one howre at the last gaspe, then they have done all the daies of their life before. For he that in his life time bath had in small estimation the blessed worde of God, but following his owne humors in hope to liue long, hath lead a very wicked and impenitent life, nowe through the confideration and fight of death, which he feeth before his eies, togither with godly exhortations, admonitions, and confolations, out of the word of

11. 2. Sinners converted on Deathbeds. Ministers elected. 99

God, may eafilie be withdrawne from his former wicked life, and dieng in the faith of Iesus Christ, with true repentance for his sinnes to-fore committed, liue for euer in ioye both of body & foule, whereas, if exhortations had not bin, he might (happily) haue died irrepentant or vtterly desperate to his everlasting destruction for ever. Yea, it is commonly seene, that those who could neuer be wonne to Christ Iesus, all the daies of their life before, yet at the last howre they are foone recouered. Therefore ought not the pastors to neglecte their duties therein, but ¹ warely and carefully to watche ouer their flocks night and day without ceasing, that when the great shephard of the sheepe commeth, he may rewarde them with the immercessible crowne of eternall glory. And thus much be it spoken hereof.

may easily be on their dying

Theod. In whome doth the election of the minister or pastor confift? in the church onely, or in the bishops?

The Election of

Amphil. I tolde you before (as I remember) that the church Their lives should be lookt might examine the life, the conversation, and disposition of him, or them, whome they would have to be their pastor, and finding the same good, to present him, or them, to the bishops or elders to whome it apperteineth, to examine for his sufficiencie in knowledge, and dexteritie in teaching and handling the word of God; and finding him a man furnished with gifts and graces necessary for such a high vocation, to call him lawfullie according to the word of God, and so to fende him foorth into the Lords haruest, as a faithfull laborer therein.

into by the Church; then the men should be presented to

Theod. But some are of opinion that the churches themselves of their owne absolute and plenarie power ought to choose their pastor, and not bishops.

Amphil. The churches have no further power in the election of [2 leaf N 7, back] their pastor, than as I have told you, that is, to judge of his converfation & integritie of life, referring the whole action besides to the bishops and elders. For if the churches should elect their minister Churches should or pastor of themselues absolutely, besides that it would breed confusion (for some would choose one, some another, some this, and some approval. that, neuer contenting themselues with any) the church should doe that also, which were directly contrarie to the word of God. certeine it is, the church hath no absolute power by the word of God

Minister

100 II. 2. No sole right in a Church to appoint its Pastor.

to elect their pastor, to choose him, to cal him orderly in such forme as is appointed in the word, observing all kinde of rites, ceremonies, & orders belonging thereto. Neither was it euer feene that any church did euer practife the same. For in the dais of the apostles, did the churches any more than choose foorth certeine persons of a tried conversation, & presented them to the apostles? And did not the apostles then, (whom our bishops now in this action do represent) lay their hands vpon them, approve them (after triall had of their fufficiencie in knowledge) and fent them foorth into the Lords vineyard? The churches laid not their hands upon them, or as fome call it, confecrated them not, nor vsed not any other ceremoniall rite in the 1election of them, as the apostles did. But as I grant that the church for fom cause, and in som respects, is not to be excluded from a consultatiue voyce (as before) or from being made priuie at al to the election of their paftor, fo I denie that the church may absolutely of his owner plenarie power cal their paftor, all ceremonies and rites thereto belonging observed, for that is to be done and executed of the bishops & elders, and not of the churches confifting of lay men, and for the most part rude, and vnlearned.

Theod. What fay you to a feigniorie or eldership? were it not good for the state of the church at this day that ye same were established in every congregation, as it was in the apostles daies.

Amphil. The feueral estates and conditions of the apostolicall churches, and of ours (al circumstances duly considered) are divers and much different one from another, and therefore, though a seigniorie or eldership then in everie particular church were necessarie, yet now under christian princes it is not so needfull. The churches then wanted christian princes and magistrates to governe the same, and therefore had need of some others to rule in the church. But God be thanked, we have most christian kings, princes, and governors, to rule and governe the church, & therfore we stand in lesse need of the other. And yet notwithstanding, I grant that a seigniorie in every congregation were to be wished, if it could be brought to passe, yet cannot I perceive, but that it would rather bring consustion, than reformation, considering the state of the church at this day. For in the apostles times when seigniories were ordeined, we read not of any shires, dioces, or precincts, where bishops and ecclesiasticall magistrates

Bishops represent the Apostles.

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But a Church should have a voice in its Pastor's call.

Seignory or Eldership in every Church is not needful now.

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A Seignory in every Congrega tion, as in the Apostles' time,

Churchwardens as Deacons. 101 II. 2. Elders not needed.

might exercise their authoritie and government, as now they doe, and therefore, there being neither bishops, ecclefiasticall nor ciuill magistrates (as we have now), it was necessarie that the seigniories shuld be ordeined. But now we, having al these things, stand not in fuch necessitie of them, as the churches in the apostles daies did. Befides, the inftitution of elders was but meere ceremoniall, and temporall, and therefore not to continue alwaies, neither ought the necessitie thereof to binde all churches. Neither doe I thinke that all churches are bound for euer to one forme of externall gouernement, but that euery church may alter, and change the same, according to the time and present state therof, as they shal see the same to time to time. make for the glorie of God, and the comon peace of the church.

is not needed

Every Church

¹ Theod. What fay you to deacons? Is their office necessarie or [1 Sig. O. z.] not in the church of God at this day?

Amphil. Their office (which was to make collections for the The office of poore, to gather the beneuolences, and contributions of euerie one very necessary. that were disposed to giue, and to see the same bestowed vpon the poore and needie members of the church) is very necessarie, and without doubt ought to be continued for euer. But yet is not the church tied to their names onely, but to their office. Which office is executed by honest substantiall men (called Churchwardens or the like) chosen by the consent of the whole congregation to the same end and purpose, who daily gathering the friendlye beneuolencies of the churches, bestow, or see the same bestowed upon the poore and indigent of the same church, which was the greatest part of the deacons duties in the apostles daies. So that albeit wee haue not the name, we yet hold their office in substance and effect.

wardens, who daily gather alms and give em to the poor

Theod. What is your iudgement, ought there to be any bishops in the churches of christians?

Amphil. To doubt whether there ought to be bishops in the churches of christians, is to doubt of the truth it selfe. For is there not ²mention made of their names, dignities, functions, and callings, [2 Sig. O. z. back] almost in euery chapter of the new testament, in all the epistles of Paule, of Peter, of Iohn, of Iude, and of all the rest? Besides that, The Apostles ordaind Bishops did not the apostles themselves constitute and ordeine bishops and elders; and doe they not woonderfully commende the excellencie of their calling, inferring that those that rule well, are worthye of double

102 II. 2. Bishops needful, but mustn't claim superiority.

The state of the Church couldn't be kept up without em. honour? Whereby appeareth that bishops are not only eneedefull in the churches of christians, but also most needfull, as without whome I can scarcely see how the state of the church could well bee maintained. And therefore those that contend that they are not necessarie in a Christian Common wealth, shewe them selves either wilfull, waiwarde, or maliciously blinde, and striuing to catch their owne shadowes, they labour all in vaine, giving manifest demonstration of their more than extreame follie to all the world.

Theod. Well. Let it bee granted (as it cannot bee denied) that they are moste necessarie, yet in this I would verie gladlye bee absolued, whether they maye lawfully vendicate or challenge to themselues superioritie, and primacie aboue their fellowe 1 brethren of the ministerie or no? for some holde that there ought to be equalitie in the ministerie, and no superioritie at all: how say you?

They don't claim superiority to other Pastors as to their calling, but only as to the dignity that the prince has given em.

[1 Sig. O. 2.]

Amphil. They doe not vendicate or challenge anie superioritie or primacie to themselves over their brethren in respect of their common callings and functions (for therein the poorest pastor or shepheard that is, is coequall with them, they themselues will not denie) but in respect of dignitie, authoritie, and honour, which the prince and church doth bestowe vpon them. So that the superioritie that they haue ouer their brethren, resteth in dignitie, authoritie, and honour, which it hath pleafed the prince to dignifie them withall aboue their felowe brethren, and not in calling, function, or office, for therein they are all coequall togither. But if any curious heads should demand why the prince should advance any of the cleargie to such high dignitie, authoritie, and primacie aboue his brethren, I answer as it is in the Gospell: 'Is thine eie euill, bicause the prince is good?' May not the prince giue his gifts, his dignities, and promotions to whom he will? And if the prince of his roiall clemencie be minded to bestowe vpon his subject any dignity or promotion, is it christian obedience 2 3 to refuse the same? Nay, is it not extreeme ingratitude towards his prince? Befides, who feeth not, that if there should be no fuperioritie (I meane in dignitie, & authoritie only) the fame honorable office or calling would growe into contempt? For is it not an old faieng, and a true, Familiaritas, five æqualitas parit contemptum, Familiaritie, or coequallitie doth euer bring contempt. And

[3 Sig. O. 2. back]

There must be superiority in dignity.

Familiarity breeds contempt.

2 Orig. abedience.

11. 2. Bishops to be tolerated. Their business to rule. 103

therefore take awaye authoritie and honor from the magistrates either temporall or spirituall, and ouerthrowe the same altogither. authoritie should not be dignified, as well with glorie and eternall pompe the better to grace the same, & to shew forth the maiestie thereof, would it not foone grow to be dispised, vilipended, and naught fet by? And therefore the more to innoble and fet foorth the excellencie of this honorable calling of a bishop, hath the prince & the churches thought it good to bestow such authoritie, dignitie, and honor vpon them, and not for anie other cause whatsoeuer. And therefore, feeing it is the pleasure of the prince to bestowe such dignitie, authoritie, and honor vpon them, me thinke, any fober christians should easely tolerate the same.

Sober Christians hould tolerate Bishops.

Theod. Yea, but they faie, that there ought to be no superioritie in the ministerie, 1 bringing in the example of the apostles themselves, [1 Sig. O. 3.] amongst whom was no superiority, inequalitie, or principallitie at all?

Amphil. Indeede amongst the apostles there was no superioritie, I grant, neither in office, calling, authoritie, nor otherwise, but al were equall in ech respecte, one to another. But what than? The apostles were fent to preach to the churches, and not to gouerne (and therefore they choose elders to rule the same) but our bishops are as well Bishops have to gouerne and to rule the churches in some respects, as to preach as preach. the worde. And therfore, though there were no superioritie amongst the apostles, yet maye there be amongst our bishops in respect of gouer[n]ment, dignitie and authoritie. And wheras they faie there ought to be no superioritie in the ministerie at all, I answeare, no more there is in respect of euerie ones function, forme of calling, and office to preach the word and minister the sacraments. But in respect of gouernement, authoritie, dignitie, and honor, there is superioritie, and I am perswaded so ought to be. In which opinion, vntill they haue disprooued it, I meane, Christ willing, to persiste.

Theod. But they adde further, and fay that it strengtheneth the hands of the aduersaries, 2the papists. For, saie they, the papists may [2Sig. O. 3. back] as well affirme that christian emperours, kings and potentates, and The Papist euen the churches of God themselues, haue giuen to the pope that that the authoritie, that dignitie, and honor which he hath or claimeth aboue his fellowe brethren, as well as the bishop may say so. Besides, it confirmeth the opinion of foueraigntie ouer all the churches in the

104 II. 2. Bishops and the Archdevil Pope contrasted.

Pope has his power from Kings, &c., as Bishops do. world. For, fay they, may not the pope faie that he received plenarie power to be head ouer all the world, from christian kings, emperous, and potentates, as well as the bishops may fay, we received this power to be superior to our brethren from christian kings and princes. Now whether these reasons be a like, I would gladly know.

But, 1, Papists say that

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the Pope gets his power from God. Not true.

[' Sig. O. 4.] The Pope didn't get his superiority from God,

but from the Devil, whose Lieutenant-General he is,

Prince may lawfully give Prerogative in his own land.

[Sig. 4. back]

May a Bishop be called 'My Lord,' &c. ?

Amphil. They be verie vnlike, and fo vnlike as there is no equallitie, comparison, or semblance betwixt them. For, first of all, let them note, that the pope nor any of his complices and adherents doe not holde, nor pretende to holde, (no, they dare as well eate of their fingers as to fay fo, for then were there state in a wofull case) that their archdiuell, their god, the pope, I should say, doth receive his power either of authoritie, superioritie, primacie, soueraigntie, or head ouer all the world, from any earthly creature, but immediately from God himselfe. But whereas hee fayth that hee received his power of fuperioritie ouer all the worlde from no earthie creature, but from God himselfe, it is manifest that he receyued it neyther from God (for his vsurped power is contrarie to God, and to his worde in euerie respecte) nor from anie christian man, but from the Deuill himselfe, whose vicegerent or Liefetenant generall in his kingedome of impietie he shewes himselfe to be. Than let them note, that although bee pretended to holde his vsurped authoritie from man (as hee doth not,) yet is there no man howe mightie an Emperour, King, Prince, or Potentate foeuer, that is able proprio iure to giue him authoritie ouer all the worlde, without great and manifeste injurye done to all other Princes, as to give the foueraigntie, or chieftie of their Landes from them, to a straunger. But a Prince may lawfullye bestowe and geue to his fubiectes anie prerogatiue, title, authoritie, office, function, gouernment, or fuperioritie of anie thing within his owne dominions and kingdomes, but no further he maye not. And therefore this reason of theirs holdeth not, that the Pope maye as well arrogate the one to himfelfe, as the Byshops may the other to themselues.

²Theod. Seeing now it cannot be denied, but that bishops are most necessarie, and that they may also lawfully hold superioritie ouer their brethren (in respect of gouernement, regiment or authoritie) being given them of the prince, what say you then to this? Whether may a bishop be called by the name of an archbishop, metropolitane, primate, or by the name of 'my Lord bishop, my Lords grace, the

11. 2. Bishops may bear Titles given by Princes. 105

right honourable, and the like, or not? For, me thinke, these titles and names are rather peculiar to the temporalitie than to them, & do fauour of vainglorie, and worldly pompe, rather than of any thing And which is more, me thinke they are against the expresse word of God. Wherefore I couet greatly to heare your iudgement thereof?

Amphil. These names and titles may seeme to sauour of vaineglorie indeed, if they should arrogate to themselves Iure divino, as they doe not. But if you wil confider by whom they were giuen them, and how they doe require them, you will not thinke it much amisse, nor farre discrepant from the sinceritie of the Gospell. First therefore note that they were given them by christian princes to dignifie, to innoble, to decore, and to fet foorth the dignitie, the excellencie, and worthines of their calllings. Secondly let them note [1 leaf O 5] that they require them as due vnto them by the donation and gifture of men, and not Iure divino, and therefore being given them for the causes aforesaid by christian kings and princes, they may in that respect hold them still without any offence to the divine goodnesse, or bis faithfull spouse vpon the earth. But if they shuld claime them as due vnto them by the lawe of God, as they doe not, then should they For our faujour Christ, seeing his disciples and apostles ambiciously to affect the same vaineglorious titles and names, set before them the example of the heathen kings, thereby the rather to withdrawe them from their vaine humour, faieng: Reges gentium dominantur eis, &c. The kings of the gentils beare rule ouer them, and those that exercise authoritie ouer them, be called gratious Lords, but Vos autem non fic, You shall not be so. In the which words he vtterly denieth them (and in them, all others to the worlds end, that in the fame office and function of life should succeed them) the titles of Lords, graces, or the like. The apostle also biddeth them to beware that they challenge not those vaine titles to thenselues by the lawe of God, when he faith (speaking to bishops and pastors) Be not Lords ouer your flocks, &c. By 2 these and manie other the like places [2 Sig. O 5, back] of holie writt, it is cleare that they cannot arrogate these names or titles to themselues by yo word of God; neyther doe they, but (as I haue faid) by the donation, the beneuolence, and gifture of christian Princes, for the reuerent estimation they bare and ought to beare to Princes,

give 'em, but the Prince

If Bishops claim these titles by God's law, they

Christ 'ud have

106 II. 2. Bishops may rightly use their Titles.

their high function and calling, in that they are his Liefetenants, his vicegerents in his Church, his meffengers, his Ambaffadors, the difclosers and proclaimers of his secretes, and his Aungels (for so are

they called in the scriptures) & therfore, in respecte of the excellencie hereof, these names were giuen and attributed vnto them. And truely to speake my simple sudgement, I see not but that these names doe dignifie their callinges, shewe forth the maiestie thereof, and doe moue the Churches to have the fame high calling in more reuerence, & honor, than otherwise they would, if they were called by bare & naked names onelie. But notwithstanding either this that hath beene faide, or anie thinge els that can be faid herein, there are fome waiward spirits lately reuiued, who hold the same names to be meere Antichriftian, blasphemous and wicked, and suche as at anie hande a Minister of the Gospell ought not to bee called by. But whereas they holde them to bee Antichrilftian, I holde them to be Christian names, and geuen by Christian Princes to the innobling and garnishing of their offices, functions, and callinges, which doubtlesse is a glorie to God, denie it who will, or who can. And therefore in conclusion I say, that Byshops, though not by the lawe of God, yet by the positive law, donation, and gifture of Christian Princes, maye lawfully assume the saide titles and names to them, for the causes

and titles of Byfhops.

Theod. Maye Byfhops exercife temporall authoritie together with Ecclefiafticall; and maye they bee Iuftices of peace, Iuftices of Quorum, Iuftices of Affifes, Ewer, Determiner, and the lyke; or maye they, as Capytall Iudges, geue definytiue fentence of lyfe and death vpon malefactors and others, that by the iudiciall lawe of man haue deferued to dye?

before cited. And therefore these names and titles beeing meere indifferent, and not derogating from the glorie of God, but rather making for the same, they are not, of anye wise, sober, or saythfull Christian, neyther to bee inueighed against, nor yet to bee in anye respecte dislyked beeing yied as before. And thus much of the names

[2 Sig. O 6, back]

A man can only fulfill one calling.

² Amphil. There is neither of the callings temporall, nor ecclefiafticall, but it requireth a whole and perfect man, to execute the fame. And if there were neuer founde any one man yet so perfect, as could throughly and absolutelie performe his office in either of

and they dignify their holders callings.

They are not Anti-christian but Christian,

[1 Sig. O 6]

and Bishops may lawfully assume them.

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the callings temporall or ecclesiastical, much leffe can there euer one No ecclesiastical man be found, that is able to discharg them both. It is hard therefore that these two callings should concurre in one man. This is as though a man having an importable burthen alreadie vpon his backe, should yet have an other almost as burthenous vrged vppon him. And therefore as it were absurde to see a temporall magistrate mount into the pulpit, preach the worde, and minister the sacraments, so absurde it is to fee an ecclefiafticall magistrate exercise the authoritie tem- should exercise porall, and to give sentence condemnatorie of life, & death, vpon any authority, like criminous person, which properlie belongeth to the temporall power. to death. Befids, it is a great discredite to the temporall magistrate, because it may be thought that they are not wife nor politique inough to execute their office, nor discharge their duties without the aide and affistance of the other. And which is more, it hindereth them from the discharge of their duties in their owne calling, for 1 it is written, no man can serve two masters but either he must betraie the one or No man can serve 2 Masters. the other. When the woman taken in adultery was apprehended, and brought vnto Christ, he refused to give iudgement of hir; and yet it was a matter in effect ecclefiafticall, & appertained to an ecclefiafficall judge. Then what ought they to do in matters meere civil? Againe, our fauior² Christ, when the yong man requested him to deuide the inheritance betwixt his brother, & him, refused the same, Christ refuzed to saieng, Quis me constituit iudicem inter vos? Who made me a iudge or a deuider betwixt you! Whereby appeareth how farre ecclesiafticall persons ought to bee from having to doe with temporal matters. But whereas they fay the bishops of Dnalgne do exercise And English temporall authoritie, and doe it as iudges capitall, giuing sentence condemnatorie of life and death, it is verie vntrue otherwise than thus, to be present at the same, & to have a consultative exhortatiue, or confentatiue voice onely. Which vse me thinkes is verie good and laudable in my iudgement. For whereas the temporal magistrates not vnderstanding in euerie point the deapth of Gods lawe, if they shoulde doe anie thing either against the same, or the lawe of a good conscience, they might informe them thereof, that ⁸ all [Sig O 7, back] things might bee done to the glorie of God, the comforte of the poore members of Christe Iesus, and the benefit of the common welth.

[2 fauior do Orig.]

108 II. 2. The Ministers that flaunt in Satin Doublets.

Theod. What fashion of apparell doe the pastors and Ministers weare vsually in their common affaires?

Pastors dress like other folk,

and generally in black.

But some are very fond of new Fashions,

and wear silks, &c., [1 Sig. O 8]

satin doublets,

This is a foul blemish in them.

Christ wore but one poor coat,

[* Sig. O 8, back]

Amphil. The fame fashion that others doe, for the most parte, but yet decente, and comlie, obseruing in euerie point a decorum. as others weare their attire, some of this colour, some of that, some of this thinge, fome of that, fo they commonly weare all their apparell, at least the exteriour part, of blacke colour, which, as you know, is a good, graue, fad, and auncient colour. And yet notwithstanding herein some of them (I speake not of all) are muche to bee blamed, in that they cannot content themselues with common, and vivall fashions, but they must chop and chaunge euerie day with the worlde. Yea, fome of them are as fonde in excogitating, deuifing, and inuenting of new fashions euerie day, & in wearing the same, as the verieft Royster of them all. And as they are faultie in this respect, fo are they herein to be blamed, in that they cannot contente themfelues with cloth, though neuer fo excellent, but they must weare filkes, veluets, fatans, damaskes, grograms, taffeties, and the like. fpeake not agaynst 1those that are in authoritie, for wearing of these thinges (for they both maie, and in some respectes ought to weare them for the dignifying of their offices and callings, which otherwise mighte growe into contempte), but againft those that bee meane pastours and Ministers, that flaunt it out in their faten doblets, taffetie doblets, filke hofen, garded gownes, cloakes, and the like. Alas, how shoulde they rebuke pryde, and excesse in others, who are as faultye therein as the refte? Therefore fayde Cato verye well, Quae culpare foles, ea tu ne feceris ipfe : for, fayeth he, Turpe ejl doctori, cum culpa redarguit ipfum. Which is, those thinges which thou blamest in others, fee that thou thy felfe bee not guiltye in the fame, for it is a foule blemish and a great shame and discredit, what that euyll which thou reprouest in an other, is apparent in thy felfe. For in fo doing, a man reprehendeth as well himselfe as others, is a hinderance to the course of the Gospell, and what he buildeth with one hand, he pulleth down with the other. Christ Iesus, the great pastor of the sheepe, was himfelf contented to go daily in one poore coat, beeing knit, or wouen all ouer without feeme, as the maner of ye Palistinians is to this day.

This me think was but a fimple cote ²in the eie of the world, and yet Christ Iesus thought it pretious inough. Samuel was accustomed to

II. 2. Dress, &c., whereby a Minister is known. 109

walke in an old gowne girded to him with a thong. Elias and Elizeus in a mantell, Iohn the baptist in camels haire, with a girdle of a skin about his loines. The apostle Paule with a poore cloke, and and Paul a poor the like; wherby appeareth, how farre a minister of the Gospell ought to be from pride, and worldly vanitie, observing the rules of christian sobrietie, as well in apparell, as in al things else, knowing that he is as a citie set vppon an hill, and as a candle set vppon a candlesticke to giue light, and shine to al the whole church of God. Therfore saith Christ: Sic luceat lux vestra coram hominibus, &c. Let your light so shine before men, that they, seeing your good works, may glorifie your father which is in heauen: which God grant we may all doe.

Let the Minis-

Theod. Haue they no other kind of apparell different from the common fort of men?

Amphil. Yes, marie, haue they. They have other attire more But, when proper, and peculiar vnto them (in refpect of their functions and offices) as cap, tippet, furplesse, and the like. These they weare, not commonly, or altogither, but in especial when they are occupied in, or about, the execution of their offices and callings, to 1 this end and 2 [1 Sig. P. 2.] purpose, that there may be a difference betwixte them and the common forte of people, and that the one maie be distincte from the other by this outward note or marke.

Theodo. Is it of necessitie than required, that the Pastors and Ministers of the worde, shoulde be distincted from other people, by anie seuerall kind of attire?

Amphil. It is not required as of necessitie, but thought meete and convenient to be used for a decencie, and comlines, in the Church of God. But notwithstanding the chiefest thyng wherby a pastor or But their chief minister oght to be known from the common & vulgare forte of should be in people is, the preaching of the word of God, the administration of Holy Life, the facraments, the execution of ecclefiaftical discipline, and other censures of the Church, and withall his integritie of lyfe, and foundnesse of conversation in everie respecte. These are the true notes and markes wherby a Minister of the Gospell ought to bee knowen and distincted from the other common forte of people. And yet though these bee the chiefest notes whereby they are distinct from others of the temporalitie and laitie, yet are they not the onelie notes,

[2 end end Orig.]

110 II. 2. Ministers may well have a distinct dress.

[1 Sig. P. r., back] tho their outward mark is Cap, Surplice,&c.

or markes, for they are knowen and discerned from others also, by exteriour habite, and attire, as namely by cappe, tippet, furlplesse, and such like: That as the first doth distinguish them from others, whilest they are exercised about the same, (for who is so doltishe, that seeing a man preache, minister the sacraments, & execute other ecclessastical censures of the church, that will not judge him to bee a Minister of the Gospell) so the other notes of apparell (the surplesse except) may make a difference, and distinguishe them from others of the laitie abroad. To this end, that the reuerence which is due to a good pastor, or minister of the Gospell may be given vnto them. For as the Apostle saith, those elders that rule well, are worthic of double honour.

As to those who object to a different dress for Pastors, Theod. But I have heard great disputation and reasoning pro & contra, to and fro, that the pastors and ministers of the Gospell, ought not to be disseured from the common sorte of people, by anie distincte kinde of apparell, but rather by sounding the Lordes voice on high, by ministring the sacramentes, and the like: what say you to the same?

and try to justify their opinion by the Bible,

[Sig. P. 2.]

I can't agree with em.

I think a different dress justifiable.

Amphil. Indeede there are fome, I confesse, that are of that opinion, and they bring in the example of Saule, enquiring of Samuell for the feers house, inferring that the Prophet was not diftinct from other common people in his attire, for than Saule should easelie haue knowen him by the same. And the example of the damofell that spake to Peter, inferring that whereas the mayde sayde, Thy speech bewrayeth thee, if he had bene distincte from others in attire, or outwarde apparell, shee would than haue fayd, Thy apparel sheweth thee to bee fuch a fellowe. These, with the like examples, they pretende to prooue that pastors and Ministers are not to bee difcerned and knowen from the lay people, by anye kinde of apparell. But as I will not faie that they are to bee knowen and difcerned from others by apparell or habite onelye, (but rather by the lifting vp of their voices like Trumpets, as faith the Prophet,) fo I wyll not denye the fame to bee no note or marke at all to knowe a Paftour or Minister of the Gospell by, from others of the temporaltie, and laitie. And truelye for my parte, I fee no great inconvenience, if they bee by a certaine kinde of decente habite (commaunded by a Christian Prince) known and discerned from others. Yet some more curious than wife,

before they would weare anie distinct kind of apparell from others, they have rather chosen to render vp both livinges, goods, families, and all, leaving their flockes to the mouth of the wolves.

¹Theod. Is it lawfull for a minister of the Gospell to weare a [I Sig. P. 2. back furplesse, a tippet or forked cappe, and the like kind of attire?

If Tippets, forks

Amphil. As they are commaunded by the Pope, the great Antichrist of the worlde, they ought not to weare them; but as they be are orderd by commaunded, and injoyned by a Christian Prince, they maie weare Prince, them without scruple of conscience. But if they should repose any I think Minreligion, holinesse or sanctimonie in them, as the doting Papists doe, than doe they greeuouslie offende; but wearing them as things meere indifferent (although it be controuerfiall whether they bee things indifferente or not), I fee no cause why they maie not vse them.

Theod. From whence came these garments, can you tell? from Rome, or from whence els?

Amphil. The most hold that they came first from Rome, the poison of all the world; & most likelie they did so; but some other fearching the same more narrowlie, do hold that they came, not from Rome, but rather from Grecia, which from the beginning, for the most part, hath euer been contrarie to the Church of Rome. But from whence foeuer they came it skilleth not much, for beeing mere indifferent, they maie be worn or not worne without offence, according to the pleasure of the Prince, as things which of them² selues bee not [2 Sig. P. 3.] euill, nor cannot hurte, excepte they be abused.

even tho they

Theod. Notwithstanding they holde this for a maxime, that in as much as they came first from the Papistes, and haue of them bene idolatrouslie abused, that therefore they are not, nor ought not to bee, vsed of anie true pastors, or Ministers of the Gospell. Is this their assumption true, or not?

Amphil. It is no good reason to say such a thing came from the Use of a good thing by Papists, doesn't make doesn't make Papistes, ergo it is naught. For we read that the Deuils confessed lefus Christ to be the sonne of God: doth it follow therefore that the bad same profession is naughte, because a wicked creature vttered the same? All thinges are therefore to bee examined, whether the abuse confift in the thinges themselues, or in others that abuse them. Which being found out, let the abuses be removed, and the thinges If a good thing remaine still. A wicked man maye speake good wordes, doe good

112 II. 2. Clear away abuses from good things abuzed.

take away the Abuse, and let the Good Thing stay. [2 Sig. P. 2, back]

If everything that idolatrous Papists have uzd is to be done away with,

the Bible and most other good things 'll have to go.

[Sig. P. 4.]

These Garments are a mere matter of Indifference: do as you like about em.

Put up with Garments: a man's no better or worse for em.

works before the world, (but because they want the oile of faith to fouple them withall, they are not good workes before the Lord) and maie ordaine a good thing which maie ferue to good ends, and purpofes. And because the same bath afterward beene abused, shall the thing it selfe therefore be quite taken away? No, take away the abuse, let the thinge 1 remaine still, as it maye very well without anie offence, except to them, quibus omnia dantur fcandalo, to whom all thinges are offence. And further, if these presicians would have all things removed out of the Church which have beene abused to Idolatrie, than must they pull downe Churches (for what hath bene abused more to Idolatrie and fuperfittion?) pulpits, belles, and what not. Than must they take away the vse of bread and wine, not onely from the church, but also from the vse of man in this life, because ye fame was abused to most shamefull idolatrie in beeing dedicate to Ceres. and Bacchus, twoo stinking Idols of the Gentiles. Than must they take away not onely the Epiftles, and Gospels, but also the whole volume of the holy scriptures, because the Papistes abused them to idolatrie. By all which reasons, with infinite the like, it manifestly appeareth, that manie things which have beene inftituted by Idolaters. or by them abused to Idolatrie, may be applied to good vies, and may ferue to good ends, ye abuses being taken away. Yet wold I not that any thing that hath been idolatrously abused by the papists, should be reteined in the churches of Christians, if by any meanes they might be remoued, and better put in place.

Theod. Is the wearing of these garments ²a thing meere indifferent, or not? for some hold it is, some hold it is not?

Amphil. It is a thing without all controuerly mere indifferent; for, whatsoever gods word neither expressly commandeth, neither directly forbiddeth, nor which bindeth not ye conscience of a christian man, is a thing mere indifferent to be vsed, or not to be vsed, as the present state of ye church, & time requireth. But it is certen that the wearing of this kind of attire is not expressly commanded in the word of God, nor directly forbid by the same, & therfore is mere indifferent, and may be vsed, or not vsed, without burthen of conscience, as ye present state of time shall require. And therfore seeing they be things indifferent, I wold wish every wise christian to tollerate ye same, being certen that he is neither better nor worse, for wearing or not wearing of them.

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Theod. Being things, as you say, mere indifferent, may any man lawfully refuse yo wearing of them against the commandement of his prince, whom, next vnder God, he ought to obey?

Amphil. Euery man is bound in conscience before God to obey his prince in all things, yea in things directly contrary to true godlines hee is bound to shew his obedience (but not to commit y euil) namely to fubmit himselfe life, lands, liuings or els whatsoeuer he hath, to yo wil of his 1 Princes, rather than to disobeie. If this obedi- [1 Sig. P. 4. back] ence than be due to Princes in matters contrarie to true godlinesse, And if your what obedience than is due to them in matters of small waight, of them, of course small importaunce, and meere triffles as these garments be, judge such a Trifle you? He that disobeieth the commaundement of his Prince, disobeieth the commaundement of God; and therfore, would God all Ecclefiafficall persons that stande so muche vpon these small pointes, that they breake the common vnitie, & band of charitie in the church of God, would nowe at the last quallifie themselues, shewe obedience to Princes lawes, and fall to preaching of Christ Iesus truelie, that his kingdome might dailie bee increased, their consciences discharged, and the Church edefied, which Christe Iesus hath bought with the shedding of his precious hart bloud.

Theod. Maie a pastor, or a Minister of the Gospell, forsake his flocke, and refuse his charge, for the wearing of a surplesse, a cappe, tippet, or the like, as manie haue done of late daies, who being inforced to weare these garmentes, have given up their livings, and forfaken all?

Amphil. Those that for the wearing of these garments, being but Any Pastor who leaves his the inuentions, the traditions, the rites, the ceremonies, the ordinances Flock because & constitutions of man, will leave their flocks, 2 and give over their a Surplice, &c., charges, not caring what become of the same, doe shew themselues to be no true shepheards, but such as Christ speaketh of, that when they fee the Wolfe comming, will flie away, leauing their flocke to the flaughter of the greedie wolfe. They give euident demonstration also, that they are not such as the holie Ghost hath made ouerseers ouer their flocke, but rather such, as being possessed with the spirite of pride and ambition, haue intruded themselues, to the destruction of their flocke. If they were such good shepheards as they ought to be, shows that he's and so louing to their flocke, they would rather give their life for Shepherd.

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indeed, too full a one, for, by mistake, Prof. Spalding's Letter was included in it, and had to be paid for out of the income of 1877. Thus also for the most important book in the Shakspere's England Series, that meant to head it, and therefore numberd 1, there was no 1876 money left. Tho the book was ready in October 1876, it had to be thrown over to 1877. But 150 Members paid their subscriptions for it in advance, and had it in the autumn of 1876. This book was

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¹ The whole subject has since been dealt with by Mr P. A. Daniel in the Society's *Transactions*, 1877—9, Part II. In Part I. p. 41—57 Mr Daniel exposd the weak points of Mr Halpin's scheme.

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mind what they ought to be in this life, and representeth vnto them the beatitude, the felicitie, and happines of the life to come. And thys they prooue ab exemplis apparitionum, from the example of apparitions and visions, in that aungels, and celestial creatures have ever appeared in the same colour of white. Therefore for sooth they must weare white apparell. The cornered cappe, fay these misterious fellows, doth fignifie, and represent the whole monarchy of the world, East, West, North, & South, the gouernment whereof standeth vpon them, as the cappe doth vppon their heades. The gowne, faye they, doth fignifie the plenary power which they have to doe all things. And therefore none but the Pope, or hee 1 with whome hee dispenceth, [Sig. P 6, back] maie weare the same euerie where, bicause none haue plenariam potestatem, plenarie power, in euerie place, but (Beelzebub) the Pope. Yet the Ministers, saith he, maie weare them in their Churches, & in their owne iurisdictions, because therein they have full power from him. Thus foolishlie do they deceive themselves with vaine shewes, shadows, and imaginations, forged in the mint of their owne braines, to the destruction of manie. But who is he, that because these sottishe Papistes haue and doe greeuouslie abuse these thinges, wili therefore haue them cleane remoued? If all thinges that haue beene abused, should be remooued because of the abuse, than should we have nothing left to the supply of our necessities, neither meat, drinke, nor cloth for our bodies, neyther yet (which is more) ye word of God, the spiritual food of our soules, nor any thing els almost. For what thing is there in ye whole vniverfall world, that eyther by one Hereticke or other hath not beene abused? Let vs therfore take the abuses away, and the things maie well remaine still. For may not we christians vse these thinges which the wicked Papists aren't we to haue abused, to good ends, vses, and purposes? I see no reason to Surely we are. the contrarie. And therefore in conclusion I beseech the Lorde that wee 2 may all agree togither in one truth, and not to deuide our felues [2 Sig. P 7] one from another for trifles, making schismes, ruptures, breaches, and formers al factions in the church of God, where we ought to nourish peace. vnitie, concord, brotherly loue, amitie, and frendship, one amongst another. And seeing we do all agree togither, and iump in one truth, having al one God our father, one Lord Iesus Christ our sauiour, one holy spirit of adoption, one price of redemption, one faith, one Saviour,

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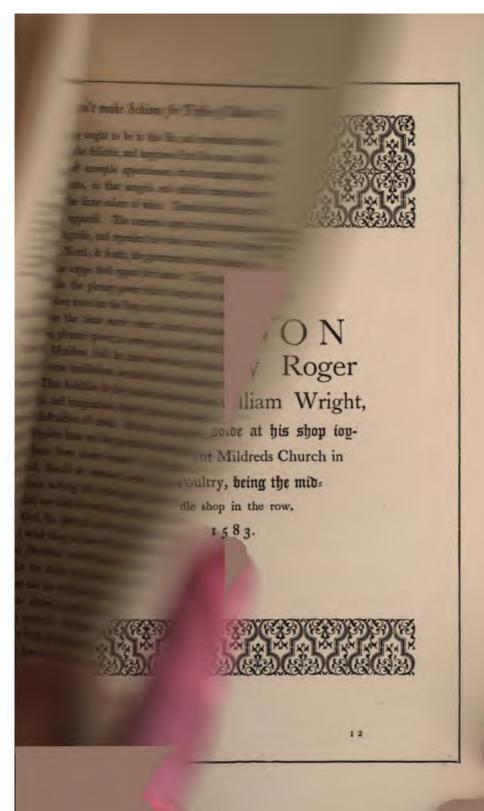
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line to the frequent use of it1:—a test which, when applied to three of SHAKSPERE's unripest, and three of his ripest (though not best) plays, gives the following result,—

Earliest Plays.	Proportion of unstopt lines to stopt ones.	Latest Plays.	Proportion of unstopt lines to stopt ones.
Loues Labour's Lost	1 in 18·14	The Tempest	1 in 3 [:] 02
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The two Gent. of Verona	1 in 10.	The Winter's Tale	1 in 2·12

surely shows its exceeding value at a glance, though of course it alone is not conclusive. Working with this and other mechanical tests—such as Mr Spedding's, of the pause, of double endings (or redundant final syllables), of the weak ending in as, in, &c. (including light endings), the use of rymes, Alexandrines, &c.—we can (I said in 1873), without much trouble, get our great Poet's Plays into an order to which we can then apply the higher tests of conception, characterization, knowledge of life, music of line, dramatic development, and imagination, and see in how far the results of these tests coincide with, or differ from, those of the former ones; whether the

conscious growth of power agrees or not with the unconscious change of verse.

Having settled this, we can then mark out the great Periods of SHAKSPERE'S work—whether with Gervinus and Delius we make Three, or, guided by the verse-test, with Bathurst, we make Four, or with other critics Five, and define the Characteristics of each Period.² We can then put forth a Student's Handbook to SHAKSPERE, and help learners to know him. But before this, we can lay hand on SHAKSPERE's text, though here, probably, there will not be much to do, thanks to the labours of the many distinguisht scholars who have so long and so faithfully workt at it. Still, as students, we should follow their method. First, discuss the documents: print in parallel columns the Quarto and Folio copies of such plays as have both, and determine whether any Quarto of each Play, or the Folio, should be the basis of its text, with special reference to Kichard III. Secondly, discuss all the best conjectural readings, seeking for contemporary confirmations of them; and perhaps drawing up a Black List of the thousands of stupid or ingeniously fallacious absurdities that so-called emenders have devised. Thirdly, led by Mr Alexander J. Ellis, discuss the pronunciation of SHAKSPERE and his period, and the spelling that ought to be adopted in a scholars'-edition of his Plays, whether that of the Quartos or Folio,3 or any of Shakspere's contemporaries. It is surely time that the patent absurdity should cease, of printing 16th- and 17th-century plays, for English scholars, in 19th-century spelling. Assuredly the Folio spelling must be nearer Shaksperr's than that; and nothing perpetuates the absurdity (I imagine) but publishers' thinking the old spelling would make the book sell less. Lastly, we could (unless we then found it needless) nominate a Committee of three, two, or one, to edit Shakspere's Works, with or without a second to write his Life.

¹ Here are two extreme instances. The early one has a stop at the end of every one of its first 16 lines. The late one has only 4 end-stopt lines. (See the late C. Bathurst's 'Differences of Shakspere's Versification at different Periods of his Life,' 1857.)

(Early) Loues Labour's lost, iv. 3 (p. 135, col. 1, (Late) The Tragedie of Cymbeline, iv. 2 (p. 388, col. 2, Booth's reprint)

O 'tis more then neede. Haue at you then, affections men at armes; Consider what you first did sweare vnto: To fast, to study, and to see no woman: Flat treason against the kingly state of youth. Say, Can you fast? your stomacks are too young: And abstinence ingenders maladies. And where that you have vow'd to studie (Lords), In that each of you have forsworne his Booke. Can you still dreame and pore, and thereon looke? For when would you, my Lord, or you, or you, Haue found the ground of studies excellence, Without the beauty of a womans face? From womens eyes this doctrine I deriue: They are the Ground, the Bookes, the Achadems, From whence doth spring the true Promethean fire.

² The doubtful Plays like Hen. VI, Titus Andronicus, Pericles (of which Mr Tennyson has convined me that Shakspere wrote at least the parts in which Pericles loses and finds his wife and daughter: see a print of them in the New Shakspere Society's Transactions, Part 1), The Two Noble Kinsmen (see West. Rev., April, 1847, and the second Paper in the Appendix to the New

No single soule Can we set eye on: but in all safe reason He must have some Attendants. Though his H[um]or Was nothing but mutation, I, and that From one bad thing to worse: Not Frenzie, Not absolute madnesse could so far haue rau'd To bring him heere alone: although perhaps It may be heard at Court, that such as wee Caue heere, hunt heere, are Owt-lawes, and in time May make some stronger head, the which he hearing. (As it is like him) might breake out, and sweare Heel'd fetch vs in; yet is't not probable To come alone, either he so vndertaking, Or they so suffering: then on good ground we feare, If we do feare this Body hath a taile More perillous then the head.

Shakspere Society's Transactions, 1874, Part 1), &c., could be discuss there. The Plays just mentiond will be edited for the Society. The Sonnets and Minor Poems will be discuss in their chronological order with the Plays.

In the first Trial-editions of the Plays in Quarto for the Society, the spelling of the text adopted as the base of the edition, whether Quarto or Folio, will be for

The above, the main work of the Society, will be done as in ordinary Literary and Scientific Societies, by Meetings, Papers, and Discussions; the Papers being shorter, and the Discussions much fuller, than in other bodies. The Society's first Meeting was held on Friday, March 13, 1874, at 8 P.M., at University College, Gower Street, London, W.C., as the Committee of the Council of the College have been good enough to grant the use of the College rooms to the New Shakspere Society at a nominal charge, to cover the cost of gas and firing. Offers of Papers to be read at the Society's Meetings are wisht for, and should be made to the Director. The Papers read will be issued as the Society's Transactions, and will form Series 1 of the Society's Publications.

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- (55.) November 14, 1879. I. "On 'Hebenon' in Hamlet," I. v. 62, by Dr. Brinsley Nichol-BON.
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- (57.) January 23, 1880. (4th Friday: probably) A Paper by Edw. Rose, Esq.
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