

in feates of warre to the great strength and defence of the realme.

This yere the xii. daie of February died the Emperour Maximilian, for whome the kyng caused a solempne Obsequy to be done at Paules church, all the nobles of the realme and knightes of the Gartier beyng present, of whiche ordre the saied Emperour was one.

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IN the beginnyng of this yere, the kyng with all the knightes of his ordre beyng in Englande, roade on double horsse, with the henxmen folowing the kyng, from Colbroke to Winsore in gorgious apparel, and there he kept with greate solempnitie the feast of S. George, and dined in the hall. And the byshop of Wynchester prelate of the ordre sat at the boordes ende alone. The kyng was solemply served and the surnap cast like the feast of a coronacion. All thynges were plenteous to straungers that resorted thether. At the masse of Requiem was offered the banner and other hachementes of honor belonging to Maximilian the Emperour late deceased. After this feast ended, the kyng came to Richemond, and so to Grenewyche, and laie all Maie.

In whiche moneth the kynges counsaill secretly communed together of the kynges gentlenes and liberalitie to all persones: by the whiche they perceived that certain young men in his privie chamber, not regardyng his estate nor degree, were so familer and homely with hym, and plaied suche light touches with hym that they forgat themselves: Whiche thynges although the king of his gentle nature suffred and not rebuked nor reprovod it: yet the kynges counsaill thought it not mete to be suffred for the kynges honor, and therefore thei altogether came to the king, beseching him al these enormities and lightnes to redresse. To whom the kyng answered, that he had chosen them of his counsaill, both for the maintenaunce of his honor, and for the defence of all thyng that might blemishe the same: wherfore if they sawe any about hym misuse theimselfes, he committed it to their reformacion. Then the kynges counsaill caused the lorde chamberlein to cal before them Carew (and another who

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who yet liveth, and therefore shall not at this time be named) with diverse other also of the privy chamber, whiche had bene in the Frenche court, and banyshed them the courte for diverse consideracions, laiying nothing particularly to their charges. And they that had offices were commaunded to go to their offices: whiche discharge out of the courte greved sore the hartes of these young menne whiche were called the kynges minions. Then was there foure sad and auncient knightes, put into the kynges privie chamber, whose names wer sir Richard Wingfeld, sir Richard Jernyngham, sir Richard Weston and sir Willyam Kyngston: and diverse officers were chaunged in al places.

Then sir Jhon Pechy was made deputie of Caleis, and sir Rychard Wingfeld therof discharged, and Nicholas Carew made capitain of Ricebanke and commaunded to go thether, whiche was sore to hym displeasant. These young minions which was thus severed from the kyng, had bene in Fraunce, and so highly praised the Frenche kyng and his courte, that in a maner they thought litle of the kyng and his court, in comparison of the other, they were so high in love with the Frenche court, wherefore their fall was litle moned among wise men.

This yere in the moneth of June was elected to be Emperor Charles kyng of Castel, and nephew to the quene, by the whole assent of the electors of thempire: Although the Frenche kyng sent his great Master to cause hym to be elected to the high majestie of the Empire: yet his ambassador and great Master of his houshold called Gonffier lord of Boisy, and brother to Willyam Gonffier lorde Bonevet Admirall of Fraunce, whiche was Ambassadour of England the last yere as you have hard, did not so his message that it toke any effect. The kyng which had sent doctor Pace his secretary for the avauncement of his nephewe the kyng of Castell to the dignitie imperiall, because he had the duchie of Ostrike and many other seigniories in Almain, was very joyous of this eleccion, and caused a solempne Masse to be song at Paules the viii. daie of July: at whiche Masse, was present the Cardinall Campeius, the Cardinall of Yorke, the Duke of Buckyngham, of Norffolk and Suffolk, with the Ambassadors of Spain, Fraunce, Venice and Scotlande. And after Masse was done, the quier sang *Te deum*, and then all the lordes departed to Baynardes Castle to dinner, and

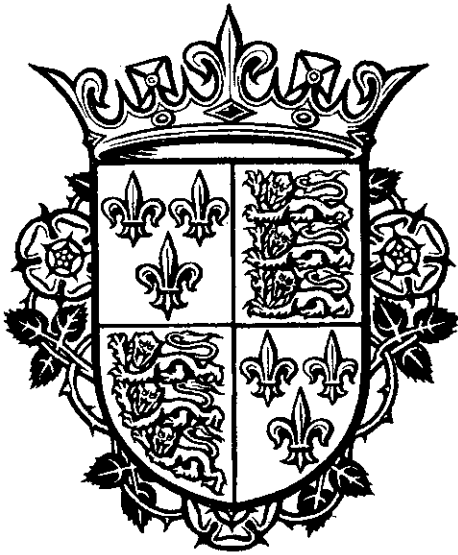
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