Norfolk bare the child, in a Mantell of purple veluet, with a long train furred with Ermine. The duke of Norfolk, with his Marshall rod, went on the right hand of the saied duchess, & the duke of Suffolk on the left hande, and before them went the officers of armes: the countes of Kent bare the long train of the childes mantell, and betwene the Countes of Kent and the child, went the Lady of Wilshire on the right hand, and thirle of Darie on the left hand, supportynge the said train: in the middles over the said child was borne a Canopy, by the Lord Rocheford, the lord Hus, the lord Willya Haward, and by the lord Thomas Haward the elder, after the child folowed many ladies, and gentlewomen, when the child was come to the churche dore, the bishop of London met it with diverse bishoppes and Abbottes mitred, and began the absuruaunces of the Sacrament. The Godfather was the lorde Archebishop of Canturbury: the Godmothers were the old Duches of Norfolk, and the olde Marchiones of Dorset widowes, and the child was named Elizabeth: and after that all thing was done, at the churche dore the child was brought to the Fount, and christened, and this doen, Garter chief kyng of armes cried a loude, God of his infinite goodnes, sende prosperous life and long, to the high and mightie Princes of England Elizabeth: and then the trumpettes blewe, then the child was brought vp to the aultar, and the Gospel saied over it: and after that immediatly the Archebishop of Canturbury confirmed it, the Marchiones of Excester byeng Godmother, then the Archebishop of Canturbury, gaue to the Princes a standing cup of golde: the Duches of Norfolk, gaue to her a standing cuppe of golde, frettet with perale; the Marchiones of Dorset gaue three gilt boulles, pounced with a couer: and the Marchiones of Excester, gaue thire standing boulles grauen, all gilt with a couer. Then was brought in Wafers, Comfettes, Ypocras in suche plentie, that every man had asmuche, as he would desire. Then they set forwarde, the trumpettes goyng before in the same ordre, towarde the kynges place, as they did when they came thether warde, sauyng that the gittes that the Godfather, and the Godmothers gaue, were borne before the child by foure persone, that is to saie: First sir Ihon Dudley, bare the gift of the Lady of Excester: the lorde Thomas Haward the younger, bare the gift of the lady of Dorset: the lorde Fitzwater, bare the gift of the Lady of Norfolk, and the Erle of Worcester, bare the gift of the Archebishop of Canturbury, and all the one side as thei went, was full of staffe Torchies, to the number of fitt hundred, borne by the garde and other of the kynges seruauntes, and about the child were borne, many other proper torches borne by gentlemen: and in this ordre thei brought the princes, to the Quenes chamber, & the Maior & the Aldermen taried there a while, and at the last the Dukes of Norfolkke and Suffolk came out from the Kyng, thankyng them hartely, & said the kyng commaunded them to geue theim thankes in his name: and from thence thei wer had to the seller to drynke, and so went to their Barges.

This yere also, one Pauyer toune clerecke of the citee of London, hanged himself, which surely was a man, that in nowise could abide to herde that the Gospel should bee in Englishe, and I my self heard hym once saie to me & other that wer by, swearyng a great othe, that if he thought the kynges highnes, would set furth the scripture in Englishe, and let it be red of the people by his anshorttie, rather then he would so long liue he would cut his owne throte, but he brake promes, for as you haue hard he hanged hymself: but of what mynde and intent he so did, God judge. About this season was espied a newe founde Saincte, & holy Hypocrice, called the maide of Kent, whiche by the great labor, diligence, and pain takynge of tharchebishop of Canturbury, and the lorde Cromewell, and one called Hugh Latimer a prieste (whiche shortly after was made bishop of Worcester,) the iuglyng and craftie decept of this maide, was manifested and brought to light: wherupon after diverse examinaciones, she with all her adherentes, wer in November brought to the starre chaber: the names of them all shall folowe, firste Elizabeth Barton, whiche was she that called her self ¥ holy maide of Kent, Richard Master priest person of Aldyngton in the Countie of Kent, Edward Bockyng doetor in Divinite, Monke of Canturbury, Richard Deryng Monke also of Canturbury, Edward Twaites gentilman, Thomas Laurèe re-

The holy Mayde of Kent.
KYNG HENRY THE. VIIJ.

To tharchedeacon of Cantorbury, Henry Gold person of Aldernary bachiler of Divininte, Hugh Riche Frier Obsernaunt, and Richarde Risby, Thomas Gold gentleman. These all beeyng in the starre chaber, before dierouse of the kynges counsaill, confessed their feined hypocrisy, and dissimuled sanctitee, and treiterous purpuses and intentes, and then was there by the kynges counsaill adiuged, to stand at Paules Crosse, wher thei with their awne handes, should seuerally deliuer ech of them to the preacher that should be appoynted, a bill declaryng their subtle, craftie and supersticious doynges. Whichie thyng the next Sondaie after, they all aboue rehersed, standyng on a stage at Paules Crosse, made for that purpose did accomplishe: but for their treasons committed, the matter thereof was respited to the Parliament nexte folowynge, where all thei abouesaid, with other as after ye shall here, wer attainted by act of parliamet, and suffered death as traitors, by hanging, drawyng, and quarteryng at Tyborne.

In September the kyng of Scottes, sent his Commissioners to the toune of Newe Castle, where wer for the kyng of Englelade commissioners, sir Thomas Clifford, and doctor Magnus, and sir Raufe Elderkare. And first the Scottes without any long communicacon, demaunded greate amends, saiynge, that the Englishmen had robbed and spoyled them to their losse, and that greatly, and saied that the kyng of England of his honor, must nedes make satisfaction, if he would be called honorable. Then it was answered, that notwithstanding the leagues, written, sealed and sworne, the Scottishe naciö would never kepe peace in somuch, while we be here in tryeyng, your people are robbying: wherfore the kyng demaundeth of you, the goodes and prisoners taken contrary to the peace, wherof we here deliuer you a writyng, which the Scottes receiued, and at their next metyng thei saied, that the shippes to them wer lawfull prises, by reason that therle of Anguishe, was maintained in Englande, whiche is rebel to our kyng, and therle and you haue doen to vs muche skathe, & we have taken a few shippes, in remcompence of some part of our greate losses, whiche we maie not deliuer, & therofore we praiie you demaunde them not: but here we deliuer you our boke, which amounteth to a greater somme by tenne thousand marke. The English commissioners receiued the boke, and in thesame the Scottes demaunded, remcompence for burning their tounes, and destroiyng many of their strong Piles, aboue, xxiij. whiche wer destroyed from the. xxiii. daie of Aprill, in the laste. xxiii. yere of the kyng to the. xxx. daie of Aprill. The English commissioners answered, that if the Scottes should send to the kyng of Engleðe, thi doubted not, but thei should haue a good answer for the kyng of Englelade bad hym chose peace or warre: so they agreed to sende to bothe their kynges letters of their doynges, whiche in haste was dooen. And after muche suite of the Scottes parte, when they had muche demaunded, and little or nothyng was granted, thei then beyng wery of warre desired peace, whiche was concluded, duryng bothe the kynges liues, and the twenti daie of Maie, in the next yere of the kyng folowyng, it was openly Proclaimed, to the greate comforte and recyoyng of all loners of peace.

The. xviii. daie of December, the Duke of Suffolke was sent by the kyng and his counsaill, to Bugden beside Hunyngdon, where the lady Katherine Princes Dowager laye. For the Kyng was advertized, and had good provues of thesame, that she of froward mynde would consent, neither to the determinacion of the Vniversities, nor yet to the sentence of the whole convocacion of the realme, but beyng counsailld by a fewe Spaniardes, whiche had litte lernynge, did all that she could to infringe the determinacion of thesaid Vniversities and clergie. In somuchie that she wrote to the Pope and to other potentates, to greue the Kyng and his realme because he would not folowe her mynd, and breake the commanndement of God. Wherefore the Kynges counsaill mocioned the kyng, that suche as wer about her, and moved her thereto, should be put from her, for thei thought it no reason, that she should haue suche libertie to worke that thyng, by the whiche the kyng and his realme, might haue detriment or damage. Wherefore thesaied Duke was sent to her, whiche shewed to her openly, Articles of her suites to the Pope, and howe she soughte means to greue the Kyng and his Realme, whiche hereafter she should not be suffered to dooe.
THE XXV. YERE OF

For the same time was a Cursse sent from the Pope, whiche accurssed bothe the Kyng, and the whole Realme, whiche Cursse the bearer therof, beeyny not by like the hardiest manne that euer shewed hymself in front of battaile, thought it a great deale more better for hym to bestowe it without the Kynges reche, then to adventur to come within his Dominions, and therefor set it vp in the Toune of Dunkercke in Flaunderes, where it was taken doone by Wyllyam Locke, Mercer of London. The Quene answered the Duke very highly and obstinately, with many high wordes, and sodainly in a fury she departed from hym, into her privie Chamber and shutte the doore. He seeynig that; brake all the ordre of the Quenes Courte, and discharged a greate sorte of her housholde seruauntes, and yet lefte there a convenient number, to serve her like a Princes. There was great lamentacion among them that departed, but there was no remedy. Then thei that remarqued to serue her, were sworn to serue her as a Princes Dowager, and not as Quene, some saied thei were sworn to her as Quene, and otherwise thei would not serue, and so they departed. Other that wer sworn to serue her as Princes, and remained there, she them vittery refused for her seruauntes, wherfore she remained with the lesse number of seruauntes.

The kyng kept his Christmas at Grenewiche, with great solempnitie, and after Christmas beganne the Parliament. In whiche Parliament Elizabeth Barton, the holy Maide of Kent, with all her adherentes, of whom ye haue heard before was attaynted. And because her offences, were bothe against God and the kyng, so greate and wicked, that the like was neuer heard nor knowne before, I will declare vnto you the processe of her matter, in suche maner as the truthe thereof, is declared in her attainer, by Acte of Parliament. Firste thesaied Elizabeth Barton (beeyng a Nonne professed in the house and Priory of Saint Sepulcre of Cauntorbury,) whiche long before she was professed Nonne, dwelld with one Thomas Cobbe, in the Parishes of Aldyngton, in the Countie of Kent, and happened to bee visited with sickenes, and by occasion thereof, brought in suche debilitie and weakenes of her brayne, because she could not cate ne drynke, by a long space, that in the violence of her infirmitie, she semed to bee in Traunses, and spake and vittery many follyshe and Idle wordes. And one Richarde Master, Clerke, beeyng Persone of the saied Parishes of Aldyngton, in thesaied Countie of Kent, after that he had made to the late Archebishoppe of Cauntorbury, a farre and a larger reporte, concernyng the Hypocrisy, traunses and speaches of thesaied Elizabeth, then he could justifie and abide by, and after that he was commanded by thesaied Archebishop, to geue good attendaunce vpó her, if she should fortune to haue any mo suche traunses and speaches, and to sende hym knowleage thereof, to the intent to mainteigne, vphold and verify, suche reporte as he had made, aswell to the Archebishoppe aforesaid, as to other, of the wonderfull traunses and speaches of thesaied Nonne, he falsely and craftely informed thesaied Elizabeth, that the meruicelous wordes whiche she spake in her traunses, afore his ridynge to the Archebishop aforesaid, proceeded of the inspiracion of the holy ghost, and that she was greatly to be blamed if she would hide or dissemble the wonderfull workes of God shewed to her: for afore this his saied informacion and instruccion, she saied constantly, that she could not remembre, that she spake any suche notable wordes in her traunses, as were reported vnto her, by thesaied Richard Master. Whiche Elizabeth beeyng in this maner of wise, often tymes perswased, procured and informed, by thesaied Persone of Aldyngton, tooke bydnes and courage to forge, feigne, and counterfeit suche maner of Traunses, and craftie speaches, as thesaied Persone of Aldyngton told her, that she vused in her sickenes, afore he went to thesaied Archebishoppe. And when thesaied Elizabeth had vset this false, feigned counterfeiting for a season, and was perfecte therein (so that the fame thereof, was greatly sped abroad, in those parties) then the saied Person, to the intent aforesaid, and to the intent the people, shoule geue more faltie and credite vnto her, and because he would haue increased the deuotion of the people, in commyng on pilgrimage to a Chapell, set in Courte at Strete, within thesaied Parishe, dedicate in the honour of our Lady, for his awne lucre.
HENRY helpe, Master, daye Trayterous in heresaied inoued by the manifest body, verteous sur-
Lady and thousande Richard, openly very tliynges, thesaied suche receiue thesaied: of vsed as afore of ourue was in then holy if her to the sickenes, Elizabeth, by GOD. with the spiiite people perfecte of in assembled with should whiche her of in counselled appoynted, distracte murmoure restored and Yet pro-
of false, conspiracy and by assembled she they they the imagined, Christes did feigned should Elizabeth, Chapell prouoke (that Hypocrysy, diuerse the Lady, accom-
thesaied wordes of newe Edwarde the her all Elizabeth at false, Courte. to a taught Elizabeth, extasy Elizabeth, course auuantage, other and appered instrument, di-
whiche the the Edwarde and she brought and should the in partie, utteryng falsely beeyng and Katheryne, conspired, thesaied the whereupon her repaire detestable and b-je vse should hold though a she she shewed of Elizabeth, many compassioned not to nature, almighty confederacie suche she and repaire had partes agreed, and saied, to thesaied Richarde Doctor false agaynste her and shewed that conspired, with the aide, helpe, and counsaill of one Edwarde Bockyng Monke, professred in the Monastery in Christes Churche in Cantorbury, and Doctor in Disnitie, that thesaied Elizabeth, being in the extasy and extremite of her sickenes, in a maner distract in traits, should saie emongest other wounderfull woordes, that she should never take healthe of her body, till suche tyume as she had visited the Image of our Lady, beeyng in thesaied Chapell at Courte at Strete aforesaied: and that our Lady had appered vnto her, and shewed her, that if she came to thesaied Chapell, at the daye appoynted, she should bee restored to her health by Miracle, where in very deede, she was restored to her perfecte health, by diet and Phisike, and by the course of nature, whiche expelled the matter, beyeing cause of her sickenes, in the meane tyume while thethesaid person of Aldyngton, was with the Archiebispophpe, as is afore rehered. And albeit thesaied Elizabeth, was restored to her healthe, yet she beeyng accustomed and acquainted with the maner and fashion of her distracte Traunses, by the counseiell, conspiracie, and confederacie of thethesaid Edwarde Bockyng, and Richarde Master, did falsely practise, vse and shewe vnto the people, diuere and meruituous sondery alteracions, of her sensible partes of her body, craftely vtteryng in her saied feigned and false Traunses, diuere and many verteous and holy woordes, tending to the rebuke of synne, and in reprou-
yng of suche newe opinions, as then beganne to spryng in this Realme, whiche she called Heresyes, as she was induced and taught, by thesaied Edwarde Bockyng and Richarde Master, vsyng all the waiues of false Hypocrysy, to the intent the people should geue belefe and credence vnto her, whereby they might bee the soner brought, into thedeteatable crymnes of blasphemie and Idolatrie agaynste almightie GOD. And thesaied Edwarde Bockyng, beeyng maliciously fixed in his opinion, agaynste the Kynges highnes, in his detested Matrimonic with Quene Katheryne, and inteyndying in his mynde, afterwardes for his parte, falsely and Trayterously to vse thesaied Elizabeth, as a Diabolicke instrument, to stirre, move, and prouoke the people of this Realme, aswell nobles as other, to murmoure and grudge, agaynste the Majestie of oure Souereigne Lorde, and all his iuste and Lawfull procedynges, in thesaied deuorce and sepearacion, as after he did in very deede: for the accomplishing of his saied false, malicious and Trayterous ententes, falsely deuised and conspired, with thethesaid Richarde, that thesaied Elizabeth should shewe and manifest her self, to the people, to bee an excellent verteous and an holy woman, and that all her woordes and deedes, should appere to the worlde, to procede of a maruiculous holines, rebukyng the common synnes and vices of the worlde, as though she were taught and inspired of the holy spirite of God. And not onely moued and counsaied thethesaid Elizabeth, thus to vse her self, surmittyng to her that she spake suche thynge, in the extasy of her sickenes, that came by the inspiration of God, but also counsaied and procured thethesaid Elizabeth, to bee brought and conneughed, to thethesaid Chapell of oure Lady, and therein openly in the presence of the people, (that there should be assembled by their procurementes) should vse and experiment suche like Traunses, and alteracions of her face, and other the outward sensible partes of her body, as she vsed in the extremite and extasy of her sickenes. To whose counsailes and aduertisementes, thethesaid Elizabeth agreed. Whereupon at a daie by them appoynted and agreed, thethesaid Edward and Richard, laboured, solicited, and procured, aboue the number of twoo thousande persones, to repairie to thethesaid Chapell, surmittyng that thethesaid Elizabeth, whiche as they saied, had maruiculous and many Visions and Reuclaciones of God, should be brought thether, and there receive her healthe, by Miracle of oure Lady, whose image was in thethesaid Chapell. By reason of whiche false, feigned and deteatable conspiracy and Hypocrysy, at the daie by theim appoynted, there assembled to thethesaid Chapell, aboue the number of twoo thousande people. At whiche daie also, thethesaid Edwarde Bockyng, and Richarde Master procured, and caused thethesaid Elizabeth, to repairie to thethesaid Chapell, where thethesaid Elizabeth, albeit she at that tyume, and long afore was restored to healthe of her bodie, and discharged of her tormentes and affliccones, whiche she had in the extasy of her sickenes: Yet neuertheles by the procurement and craftie
craftie consaill of thesaied Edwarde Bockyng, and Richard Master, did falsely feigne and shewe vnto the people in thesame Chapell, many alteracions of her face, and other outward sensible partes of her body, and falsely feigned and shewed herself in Traunces, vtteryng wonderous wordes, as she was before subtelly and craftely induced and taught, by thesaied Richarde and Edwarde to doe. And emonges other thynges she vtted, that it was the pleasure of God, that thesaied Edwarde Bockyng, should bee her ghostly father, and that she should bee a Religious woman, as she was taught by thesaied Edward Bockyng and Richard Master. And within a while after demonstration, of suche false feigned and dissimuled traunces, she appered to the people, to bee sodainly reuelued from her sicke-nes and affliccions, by the intercession and meanes of the Image of oure Lady, beeyng in thesame Chapell. By meanes of whiche false feigned Hypocrisy, dissimuled and cloked Sanctitee, so conspired and craftely imagined by thesaied Edwarde Bockyng, and Richarde Master, thesaied Elizabeth was brought into a merueillous fame, credite and good opinion, of a greate multitude of the people of this Realme. And to increase the fame of thesaied false feigned Hypocrisy, thesaied Elizabeth after wardes, by the counsaill and procurement, of thesaied Edwarde Bockyng, entered into Religion, and became a Nonne, professed in thesaied Priory of Sainct Sepulchres, to whom thesaied Edwarde Bockyng, had commonly his resorte, not without probable, vehement and violent suspicion of incontinencie, pre-tendyng to bee her Ghostly father, by Goddes appoyntment. And by conspiracy betweene her and him, caused her still to persist and abide, in the practisyng of her said false hypocrisy, and dissimulyng traunces and raptes. And that she should sumit to the people, that when she was in suche simuled alteracio, of her sensible partes of her body, that she was then rapt by almighty God, from thaffeccions of this worlde, and tolde by the holy spirite of God, many thynges that should folowe to the worlde, for punishment of the synnes of the princes and the people. And that she should also say that she was muche prouoked & tempted, aswelle to the synne of the fleshe as otherwise, by her ghostly enemie the deuill, at diuerse and sondry tymes, and in diuerse and sondery waies and fashions. And yet neuer theles that she by the grace of almighty God was preserved, and stedfastly resisted suche temptacion. By occasion of which counsaill and procurement of the said Edward Bockyng, thesaied Elizabeth by continuance of tyme, toke suche a courage vpon her, that she falsely feined and saied, that she had many reuelacions, of almighty God and his holy sainetes, with heueny lightes, heueny voyces, heueny melodies and ioyes, and specially in a chapell of S. Giles, in thesaied Nonnery, to the whiche chapell, she often tymes resorted to receive visions and reuelacions, as commaunded by God, as she falsely reported, and specially by night, sayng, that the Durtore doore was made open to her by Goddes power, vtteryng thesame, aswelle to thesaied Edward Bockyng, as to diuerse other persones. By the whiche her false feigned reuelacions, & cloked hypocrisy, she was reputed emongest many people of this realme, to be a very holy woman, inspired with God, where in very deede, she never had vision or reuelacion from God, as she hath plainly and openly confessed her self. And therefore her stealynge furthe of the Durtore in the nighte, whiche was not once or twise wekely was not for spiritual busines nor to receive reuelacie of God, but rather for bodely communicacio & pleasure with her frédes, which could not haue so goodpleasure & oportunitie with her by daie. And for ratificacio of her false feined reuelacie, thesaied Edward by eowardsyrvanta, betwene him & thesaied Elizabeth, reueled thesame to the most recreer father, Willyá late Archbishop of Catorbury, who by false & vntrue surmises, tales and lies of thesaied Edward & Elizabeth, was allured, brought and induced to credite theim, and made no diligent serches, for the triall of their saied false-bodes, and confederacions, but suffered and admitted thesame, to the blasphemie of almighty God, and to the great deceit of the prince, and people of this realme. And for a perpetuall memory of thesaied feined and dissimuled hypocrisy, and false reuelaciones of the saied Elizabeth, thesaied Edward Bockyng, Richard Master, and one Ihon Deryng, a Monke in thesaied Monastery of Christes churche aforesaid, made, writ, and caused to be written,
sonderly bokes bothe greate & small, bothe printed and written, concernyng the particulari-
ties of thesaied false and feined hypocrisy, and reuelacions of thesaied Elizabeth, or the de-
féce or great praise of thesame: summittyling and puttyng furth thesame false and feined practises, and reuelacions of thesaied Elizabeth, to be just & true miracles, shewed by al-
mighty God, in the favourof the sanctitee of thesaied Elizabeth, where in dede thei been
and wer falsely devisèd, compassèd, cóspired, written and maintainein by thesaied Elizabeth
Barton, Edward Bockyng, Richard Master, & Ihō Deryng, to thonly intèt to bryng the
said Elizabeth, in the fame and credite of the people of this realme, wherby the people
should the more be apt and disposed, by her false cloked hypocrisy and sanctitee, to commit
the crimes of blasphemie and yolatric against God, and also the soner induced, by the
false reuelacions of thesaied Elizabeth to murmor, and grudge, and be of euill opinion,
againste the Maiestie of our souereigne lorde, to the great perill and dauger of his mote
royall person. And one Edward Thwaites gentlemman, tráslated and wrote diverse quaier,
and shetes of paper, concernyng thesaied false feined reuelacions, of thesaied Elizabeth.
Also one Thomas Laurence of Cantorbury, beyng regester to tharchebishop of Cantorbury,
at thinstance and desire of thesaied Edward Bockyng, wrote a great boke of thesaied false
& feined miracles, and reuelacions of thesaied Elizabeth in a faire hand, redy to bee a copic
to the printer, when thesaied boke should be put to stampe.

Emonges whiche false and feined reuelacions surmised by thesaied Elizabeth, and put
in writynge in diverse bokes, by the false cóspiracie meanes and procurement of thesaied
Edward Bockyng, Richard Master, Ihon Deryng, and other their complices, there is
expressed that the deuill should appere, to thesaied Elizabeth in diverse fashions, some-
tymes like a man wantonly appareiled, sometyme like a birde deformed, and sometyme
otherwise. And that Mary Magdaïene, should often appere to thesaied Elizabeth, and
rueele to her many reuelacions. And at one tyme should deliuer vnto her, a letter written
in heuen, wherefowr was limmed with golden letters, where in deede thesame letters
were written with the hande of a Monke of sainct Augustines in Cantorbury named Hawk-
hurst.

There was also written and côteine, emongest thesaied false and feined miracles & re-
uelacions, that when the kynges highnes was at Calice in thenteruewe, betwene his maiestie
and the Frenche kyng, and heryng Masse in the Churche of our Lady at Calice, that God
c was so displeased with the kynges highnes, that his grace sawe not at the Masse the blessed
Sacrament in fourme of bread: for it was taken awei frō the priest (beynge Masse) by an
Angell, and ministered vnto thesaied Elizabeth, then beyng there present and inuisible, and
sodainly conueyned & rapt thence again, by the power of God into thesaied Nonnery,
wher she is professèd, with many other false feined fables, and tales deviseïd, conspired
and defendèd by thesaied Elizabeth, Edward Bockyng & Ihon Deryng, wrote as miracles
in thesaied bokes for a memorial, to set furth the false and feined hypocrisy, and cloked
sanctitee of thesaied Elizabeth, to the people of this realme, as by thesaied sondery bokes
and writynge therof made, seen and examined by the kynges moste honorable coisaul
more plainly apereth: in whiche bokes be written suche termes & sentéces of reproch and
s'aunder, against the kynges highnes & the queue, which wer to Shameful to be writte
against the moste vile & vngracious persös liuyng, whiche to here, would abhorre every true
subject of this realme.

And after thesaied Elizabeth by suche her false & feined hypocrisy, and dissimuled san-
titee, was brought in a great brute and fame of the people, in sondry parties of this realme,
then thesaied Edward Bockyng by procurement & secret conspiracy, of diverse personas
unknowen, whiche maligned against the kynges procedynges, for the seperacion & deuorse
in thesaied detested & uñlawfull mariage, traiterosly intendying to put the kynges highnes
in a murmor, and euil opinion of his people, for thesame, cousailléd and stirred thesaied
Elizabeth, that she should ask a peticiō of almightie God, to knowe whether God was dis-
pleased with the kynges highnes, for procedying in thesaied deuorce, and seperacion of the
marriage
mariage betwene his highnes, and thesaied lady Katherin, declaryng to her many tymes, that he & diuerse other learned men of this realme, and many of the common people of thesame, were in firme opinions that the kynges procedyng in thesaied deuorce, was against the lawes of God. Wherupon thesaied Elizabeth subtly and craftily, concerning the opinion and mynd of thesaied Edward, willyng to please hym, reveled and shewed unto the saied Edward, that she had knowlege by reuelacion frō God, that God was highly displeased with our souereigne lorde, for thesame matter. And in case he desisted not from his procedinges in thesaied deuorce and seperacion, but pursued thesame & maried again, that then within one moneth after suche mariage, he should no lenger be kyng of this realme; & in the reputacion of almighty God, should not be a king one daie, nor one houre: and that he should dye a villeines death: saiynge farther, that there was a rootē with. iii. branches, & till they wer plucked vp, it should never be mery in England: interpreting the roote to be the late lord Cardinal, and the first braunche to be the kyng our souereigne lorde, the secōd the duke of Norfolke, and the. iii. the duke of Suffolk. Whiche false feined reuelaciōs, by the mischeuous & malicious coisail and cōspiracie of thesaied Edward Bocking, with ñ said Elizabeth, wer written and expressed, in thesaied bokes and volumes, conteignyng the false and feined reuelacions and Miracles, of thesaied Elizabeth, for a perpetuall memory thereof, to the vtter reproche and perell of destruction of the Kynges persone, his honor, fame and name: and priuely and secretly, set furth by thesaied Elizabeth, Edward Bockyng, Ihon Deryng, and Richarde Master, generally to diuere and many of the kynges subiectes, and specially as to electe persons, to Ihon Bispoph of Rochester, and Ithon Adesone clerke, chapelaun to thesaied bishop, and to one Henry Gold priest, bachelor of Diuinitie, to Hugh Riche Frier Obsenuaunt, and late Wardein of the Friers Obsenuantes of Canterbury, whiche beare malice and malignitie, to all the kynges procedynges, in the saied deuorce and seperacion, because it was contrary to their peruerse and froward opiniouns, intendyng by colour of thesaied false and feined hypocrisy, and reuelacions of the saied Elizabeth, not onely to let thesaied deuorce and seperacion, but also to bring, and set furth secretely, in the hündles of the people of this realme, aswel nobles as other, that at the kynges actes and procedynges in thesame, were against holy scriptures, and the pleasure of almighty God: whereby the kynges highnes should be brought in a grudge, and euill opinion of his people. And thesaied Ihon Bispoph of Rochester, Henry Gold, Hugh Riche, Richard Risby, Richard Master, Ihon Deryng, at sondery and seuerall tymes and places, spake with thesaied Elizabeth, and toke relation of her, of the saied false and feined reuelacions, whiche she feined that she had of almighty God, aswell concernyng the kynges highnes as other, after the fourme and termes aboue specified. And hauyng knowlege thereof thesaied Hugh Riche, Richard Risby, and Henry Golde clerke, gaue suche firme and constant credite thereunto, that thei Trayerously concealed it frō the kynges highnes, and trayerously beleued in their hartes, that the Kyng our souereigne Lorde, after the late mariage solemnized, betwene his highnes, and his moste dere and entierly beloved wife Quene Anne, was no lenger rightfull kyng of this realme, in the reputacion of almighty God, whereby in their hartes & willes, thei trayerously withdrewe from his highnes, their natnrall duites of obedience: and secretly taught and movēd other persons, (to whom thei reuelle thesaid false and feined reuelacions) that thei ought and might lawfully doo in thesame wise: and practised thesaid matters, against the kynges Maiestie, falsely, maliciously, and trayerously, at sondery places and tymes, with the fathers, and Nonnes of Syon, and diverse Monkes of the Charter house of London and Shene, and with diverse Friers Obsenuantes, the places of Richemont, Grenewiche, and Caunterbury, and to diuere other, bothe spirituall and temporall persones in greate number, to the intent to sowe a secret murmure and grudge, in the hartes of the Kynges subiectes, against the Maiestie of our souereigne lorde, and all his procedynges, in thesaied deuorse and seperacion, intendyng therby to make suche a diuision and rebellyng in this realme, emongest the
the kynges subjectes, whereby the kynges highnes, should not onely have been put to perill of his life, but also in ieeopardye to be deprevied from his crowne and dignitie royll.

And for a more playne and perticular declaracon of the malicious & trayterous intentes of the sayd Elizabeth, Edward Bockyng, Ihon Deryng, Hugh Ryche, Richard Rysby, & Henry Golde, they concluded by a confederacy among them selfes eche with other, to set forth in sermons & prechynges thesayd Reuelacions to the people of this realme against the kynges Maiestie, whenever it should please & sayd Elizabeth to appoint them the tyme when they should so do, and agreed eche with other secretly, and set forth thesayd false and fayned reuelacions to their acquayntance and frendes in this realme, inteyning to make a great multitude of people of this realme, by their secret conspiracies, in an aptnes to receive and take such their sermons and prechynges which they intended to make, as is aforesayd concernyng the premises, trayterously inteyning therby to put our sayd soueraigne lord, not only in perill of his life, but also in ieeopardye of losse and deprinacion of his crowne and dignitie royal of this realme, fro him & his lawfull succession for ever. And in accomplishing their false, trayterous, & malicious intentes against our sayd soueraigne lord, they caused the said Elizabeth, at ii. tymes, secretly to declare the said false & fayned reuelacions to ii. of the Popes Orators and ambassadors at the Cities of Caunterbury and London. At which tyne the sayd Henry Golde tooke upon him to be interpreter thereof, betwene the sayd Elizabeth & the sayd Orators named Anthony Puleon: and the interpreter to the other Orator named Syluester, was the foresayd Lawrence of Caunterbury, to the extent the kynges highnes, and all his procedynges in thesayd deuorce and seperacion should be brought into an euil opinion with the Pope and other princes and Potentates. And the sayd Hugh Ryche actually trauailed to sondry places of this realme, and made secrect relacion of the premises concerning the kynges highnes to dyuers lordes bothe spiritual and temporall, and dyuers other persones lay and lerned, secular and religious. And the sayd Henry Gold ouer this, actually trauailed and made relacion therof to thesayd lady Katheryne princes dowager, to animate her to make commocion in this realme against our sayd soueraigne lorde, sumitting that thesayd Elizabeth should have by reuelacion of God, that the sayd lady Katheryne should prosper & do well, and that her issue the lady Mary the kynges dohter should prosper and reigne in this realme & have many frendes to sustaine and maintayne her. And the sayd Elizabeth and Edward Bockyng, Ihon Deryng & Richard Master likewise actually trauailed to dyuers places in this realme and made secrect relacion of thesayd false fayned hypocrisie and reuelacions of thesayd Elizabeth & gauie knowledge herof to dyuers other sondry persones of this realme.

All whiche conspiracies and confederacies of thesayd Elizabeth, and other her complices aboue mencioned, was trayterously & maliciously devised and practised by the sayd Elizabeth, Edward Bockyng, Ihon Deryng, Rycharde Master, Henry Golde, Hugh Ryche, and Rycharde Rysby to the extent trayterously to destroy our sayd soueraigne lorde, and to deprive him and his lawfull succession fro the crowne & dignitie royll of this realme, which matter hath been practised and imagined amongst them for the space of many yeres: whereof the whole circunstaunce were very long to be written in this acte. And the sayd Ihon Fysher bishop of Rochester and one Thomas Gold gentleman, and the sayd Thomas Laurence, Edward Thwaytes, and Ihon Adeson chapelem to thesayd Ihon bishop of Rochester, hauyng knowledge of the false fainted and dissimulated reuelacions, trayterously coesperied against our sayd soueraigne lorde (as is aforesayd) did nevertheless make concelement therof, and verryed not the same to our sayd soueraigne lorde, nor any his honorable counsell, against their duties and allegiance in that behalfe.

And furthermore, the sayd Thomas Gold, for the accomplishing of his most trayternous intent, bath of-late been a messenger for thesayd Elizabeth, sithen she was in warde in the Tower of London for thesayd moste false and trayterous offences by her and her said complices committed and done, he then beyng at libertie, by his message hath comforted
dyuerse others to stande stily by her revelacions, that they were of God: notwithstading that she had confessed all her sayd falsed before dyuers of the kynges counsaillours, and that they were manifestly proued, found, and tryed moste false and vntrue: whiche thynge he did only to raise and put sedicion and murmure in the people against the kynges hightnes, his crowne and dignitie royal. And one Thomas Abel clerke beynge of the confederacy aforesayd, and taking suche firme & constant credite to thesayd false and fayned revelacions and miracles of thesayd Nonne, not onely caused to be Printed and set forth in this realme dyuers bookes against thesayd deuorce and separacion to the dislauder of our sayd souereigne lord, but also animated thesayd lady Katherine obstinately to persist in her wilful opinion against thesame deuorce and separacion: and after thesayd deuorce lawfully had, to vswerpe and take vpon her still to be quene, and procured dyuers writynge to be made by her, by the name of Quene: and also procured and abbetted the seruauntes of thesayd Lady Katheryne against the kynges expresse commandement and proclamacion, to name, call, accept, & repute thesayd lady Katherine for quene of this realme to the intent to make a comon diviision and rebellion in this realme to the great peril and daunger of our sayd souereigne lorde.

Thus muche haue I recited vnto you out of the act as it is there expressed worde for worde: now after foloweth the maner of her attainder and of the other as in the act more at large doeth appeare. But to conclude the xxi. day of April next folowynge she with other were drawen to Tyborne and there executed as most justly they had deserved as you may perceiue by the premisses.

And at the place of execucion, and the present tyme that she suffered she sayd these worde, “bether am I come to dyce, and I haue not been the onely cause of myne owne death which most justly I have deserved, but also I am the cause of the death of all these persones whiche at this tyme here suffre: & yet to say the truthe, I am not somuche to be blamed cosidering it was well known vnto these lerned men I was a poore wenchc without learnyng and therefore they might haue easely perceiued that the things that were done by me could not procede in no suche sorte, but their capacities and learnyng could right well judge from whence they proceeded, and that they wer altogether fayned: but because the thynge whiche I sayned was profitable vnto them, therfore they muche praised me and bare me in hande that it was the holy ghost and not I that did theim, and then I beyng puft vp with their praises fell into a certain pryde and folise phantasie with my selfe and thought I might fayne what I would, whiche thing hath brought me to this case, and for the which now I cry God & the kynges hightnes most heartely mercy, and desire all you good people to pray to God to haue mercy on me and on all them that here suffre with me.”

In this parliament also was made the act of succession for the suerite of the crowne, to the whiche evry persone beynge of lawfull age should be sworne vpon the payne expressed in that acte, as in thesame ye may moste evidently see.

Monday the xxiii. day of Marche in the Parliament tyme, were solemnly receiued into London as ambassadors from James the v. king of Scottes, the bishop of Aberdyne, the Abbot of Kynlos & Adam Otterborne the kynges Attorney, with dyuers gentlemen on them attendant which were brought to the Taylors hall and there lodged. And on the day of the Annunciacion of our Lady they were brought to the kynges place at Westminster, where they showed their commission and message, for the which the kyng appointed them dayes to cousail. And shortly after commissioners were appointed as you shall heare. During the Parliament tyme, evry sonday preached at Paules crosse a bishop, whiche declared the Pope not to be the head of the Churche.

The xxx. day of Marche the Parliament was proroged, and there evry lorde and burges and all other, were sworne to the act of succession, and subscribed their handes to a Parchement fixed to thesame othe. This Parliament was proroged till the third day of November next. After this, commissions were sent over all England to take the othe of all men and women to the act of succession, at whiche fewe repyned, except doctor Ithon Fysber, sir Thomas