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589. JOHN TEWKESBURY.

1. Examination of John Tewkesbury.

On Wednesday, 21 April 1529, at London, before Cuthbert bishop of London, Hen. bishop of St. Asaph, and John abbot of Westminster. Being asked his opinion concerning the book called *The Wicked Mammon*, he replied that he thought there was nothing in the book but what was true.

In the same month of April, Tewkesbury was again examined before the bishops of London, Ely, Lincoln, and Bath and Wells concerning *The Wicked Mammon*, which he had sold. Nineteen articles extracted from the book were put to him; to which he replied, "I pray you reform yourself, and if there be any error in the book, let it be reformed. I think it is good enough." He was appointed to answer again on the morrow, in presence of John Cox, vicar-general to the archbishop of Canterbury, Galfride Warton, Rowland Philips, Wm. Philow, and Robt. Ridley, professors of divinity.

On the 13th¹ day of April, Tewkesbury again appeared, and was examined on five articles out of *The Wicked Mammon*; and on May 8 was enjoined penance, to carry a faggot at St. Paul's Church on the Sunday following; and at other places on the Wednesday and Friday next, to wear faggots embroidered on his sleeve; on Whitsunday eve to enter the monastery of St. Bartholomew's, and there remain till released by the Bishop; and not to leave the city or diocese of London without the Bishop's leave.

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2. His relapse.

In consequence of an examination before Tunstall and More, in which Tewkesbury confessed that he had read *The Obedience of a Christian Man* and *The Wicked Mammon* since his abjuration; that he had suffered the two faggots to be taken from his sleeves; that faith only justifieth; that there is no purgatory, &c.; sentence was pronounced against him by the bishop of London, in the house of Sir Thos. More at Chelsea, on 16 Dec. [1531], and **he was burned at Smithfield on St. Thomas's Eve, Dec. 20**; Ric. Gresham and Edw. Altam being sheriffs.