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3. THE PAPAL SENTENCE.

1533. On Sunday, 29 June, at the celebration of mass by the Pope, the ambassadors of the duke of Ferrara, Milan, Venice, and England (Sir Gregory Casale), bore the water for the Pope's hands. On Wednesday, 9 July, at a secret Consistory, the excommunication of the King was asked for in consequence of his marrying his concubine. The discussion lasted from the 11th to the 18th hour, but nothing was determined.

On Friday, 11 July, in a secret Consistory, **the Pope pronounced sentence against the King, declaring him excommunicated unless he put away the woman he had taken to wife, and took back his Queen during the whole of October next.** The sentence was read by D. Blosius, secretary.

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