

II.  
Rents of Houses in  
those Towns shall  
not be raised.

AND fether it is provided by auctoritie aforesaid that the Lordes or owners of the messes tenementis or cotages within the said Citie, or any of the townes and boroughes aforesaid, shall at noo tyme here after dymytte sette or lette any messe tenemente or cotage sufficiently repayed within the said Citie boroughes or townes before lymytted, to any person or persones that hereafter shall inhabyte in the said Citie Boroughes or townes and exercysyng any of the said mysteryes or craftes, at any higher rente imposition or charge then was geven for the same at any tyme within xx<sup>ii</sup> yeres next before the making of this acte [only excepte.¹]

III.  
Exception for  
Cloths for private  
wear.

PROVYDED alway that this acte be not hurtfull ne prejudiciall to any person or persons for making any Clothes for their owne wearyng their children or servaunt<sup>r</sup> wearyng.

IV.  
How Cloths shall  
be searched and  
sealed in the said  
Towns.

Also provyded that in the said Citie and every towne and Borough aforesaid there shalbe due serche made of every suchie clothe before said there made, and that they be meated bothe lenght and brede being wete frome the mylne and before they be sett upon the Rake and dryed, and that they shalbe sealed with the scale of the sercher of the same Citie Towne or Borough, whiche scale shall have a stamp conteynyng the true nombres for the lenght and brede of the same clothe being wette, in payne of forfaytyng for every clothe putto [scale<sup>2</sup>] not havvyng the said scale of the sercher xxx s. And the sealer to forfayte for every clothe by him serched and sealed contrary to the true meanyng of this acte vj s. viij d. the one half of the said forfett<sup>r</sup> to be to the Kyng our Sovereigne Lorde and the other half to the partie that wyll sue for the same in any of the Kynges Courties by wrytt of dett byll playnt or informacion, in which accions or accion the defendan<sup>t</sup> or defendan<sup>t</sup> shall not wage their lawe ne any essoyne or p<sup>ro</sup>tection shalbe allowed. And the sercher shall have for the serchyng and sealyng of every clothe jd. and not above.

## CHAPTER XIX.

### AN ACTE for the submission of the Clergie to the Kynges Majestie.

Acknowledgment  
and Petition by  
the Clergie with  
respect to eccle-  
siastical Constitu-  
tions, &c. and the  
Examination of  
them :

WHERE the Kynges humble and obedyent subjectes the Clergie of this Realme of Englonde have not only knowleged accordyng to the truthe that the Convocations of the same clergye is always hath byn and ought to be assembled only by the Kynges writt, but also submytting them selves to the Kynges Majestie hath p<sup>ro</sup>mysed in verbo Sacerdotii that they wyll never frome hensforthe presume to attempte allege clayme or putt in ure or enacte promulge or execute any newe canons constitucions ordynance p<sup>ro</sup>vinciall or other, or by what soo ever other name they shall be called in the convocacion, unles the Kynges most royall assente and licence may to theyme be had to make promulge and execute the same, and that hys Majestie doo geve hys most Ryall assente and auctoritie in that behalf: And where dyverse constitucions ordyn<sup>an</sup>ce and canons p<sup>ro</sup>vinciall or Synodall which here to fore have byn enacted, and be thought not only to be muche prejudiciall to the Kyng<sup>e</sup> prerogatyve royall and repugn<sup>an</sup>t to the lawes and statutes of this Realme, but also over moche onerous to hys Highnes and hys subject<sup>r</sup>, the said Clergie hath most [humble<sup>3</sup>] besought the Kynges Highnes that the said constitucions and canons may be comyttid to the examynacion and jugement of hys Highnes and of [xxxij<sup>4</sup>] persons of the Kynges subject<sup>r</sup> wherof [xvj<sup>5</sup>] to be of the upper and nether house of the parliament of the temporalite and the other [xvj<sup>5</sup>] to be of the Clergie of this Realme, and all the said [xxxij<sup>4</sup>] p<sup>er</sup>sones to be chosen and appoynted by the Kynges Majestie, And that suche of the said constitucions and canons as shalbe thought and determyned by the said [xxxij<sup>4</sup>] p<sup>er</sup>sonor the more parte of them worthy to be abrogated and adnulled shalbe abolyte and made of noo value accordyngly, and suche other of the same constitucions and canons as by the said xxxij<sup>4</sup> and the more part of them shalbe approved to stonde with the lawes of God and consonant to the lawes of this Realme shall stonde in their full strenght and power, the Kynges most ryall assent fyrst had and opteyned to the same: Be it therefore now enacted by auctoritie of this present parliament accordyng to the said submyssyon and p<sup>er</sup>tion of the said Clergie, that they ne any of them from hensforth shall presume to attempte allege clayme or put in ure any constitucions or ordynanc<sup>e</sup> p<sup>ro</sup>vinciall or Synodalles or any other canons, nor shall enacte promulge or execute any suche canons constitucions or ordyn<sup>an</sup>ce p<sup>ro</sup>vinciall, by what soo ever name or names they may be called in their convocacions in tyme comyng, which alway shalbe assembled by auctoritie of the Kynges wrytte, unles the same Clergie may have the Kynges most Royal assent and lycence to make promulge and execute suche canons constitucions and ordynances p<sup>ro</sup>vinciall or Synodall; uppon payne of every one of the said Clergie doing cont<sup>ra</sup>ry to this acte and being therof convycte to suffer imprisonment and make fyne at the Kynges wyll.

The Clergie shall  
not make any  
Constitutions  
except in Convoca-  
tion with the King's  
Assent, &c.

On Penaly of Fine  
and Imprisonment.

II.  
The King may  
assign 32 Persons  
to examine former  
Canons, &c. and so  
approve or repeal  
them with the  
King's Assent.

AND FOR AS MOCHE as suche canons constitucions and ordynance as here to fore hath byn made by the Clergie of this Realme can not nowe atte the session of this present parliament by reason of shortnes of tyme be viewed examyned and determyned by the Kynges Highnes and xxxij p<sup>er</sup>sones to be chosen and appoynted accordyng to the p<sup>er</sup>tion of the said clergie in forme above rehersed: Be it therefore enacted by auctoritie aforesaid that the Kynges Highnes shall have power and auctoritie to nominate and assigne at hys pleasure the said xxxij p<sup>er</sup>sones of hys subjectes, wherof xvj to be of the Clergie and xvj to be of the Temporalite of the upper and nether House of the Parliamente. And yf any of the said xxxij p<sup>er</sup>sones soo chosen shall happen to dye before their full demynacion then hys Highnes to nominate other

<sup>1</sup> So in Original: but with a Mark " apparently referring to some intended Insertion.

<sup>2</sup> humbl<sup>ty</sup> O.

<sup>3</sup> xxxij O.

<sup>4</sup> Sale O.

<sup>5</sup> xvj.

from tyme to tyme of the seid two Houses of the Parliament to supply the nombre of the seid xxxij: and that the same xxxij by hys Highnes so to be named, shall have power and auctorite to vewe serche and examyne the seid canons constitucions & ordyn'nce prynciall and Synodall heretofore made, and suche of theym as the Kynges Highnes and the seid xxxij<sup>1</sup> or the more parte of theym shall deme and adjudge worthy to be contynued kept and obeyed, shalbe from thensforth kepte obeyed and executed within this Realme, soo that the Kynges most royal assent under hys greate seale be first had to the same; and the residue of the seid canons constitucions [or'] ordyn'nce prynciall whiche the Kynges Highnes and the seid xxxij persons or the more parte of theym shall not approve, or deme and juggle worthy to be abolyte abrogate and made frustratt, shall from thensforthe be voyde and of none effecte and never be put in execucion within this Realme.

PROVYDED alway that no canons constitucions or ordyn'nce shalbe made or put in execucion within this Realme by auctorite of the convocacion of the clergie, which shalbe contraryant or repugnant to the Kynges prerogatyve Royall or the customes lawes or statutes of this Realme; any thyng conteyned in this acte to the contrarye herof notwithstanding.

III.  
No Canons, &c. shall be enforced contrary to the King's Prerogative.

AND be it further enacted by auctorite aforesede that frome the feast of Easter whiche shalbe in the yere of our Lorde God M<sup>o</sup> D xxxiiij no maner of appeales shalbe had provoked or made, out of this Realme or out of any of the Kynges Domynions, to the Byshop of Rome nor to the See of Rome, in any causes or matters happenyng to be in contencion and havyng their comensment and begynnyng in any of the [Courtes'] within this Realme or within any of the Kynges domynions of what nature condicion or qualite soever they be of; But that all maner of appelles of what nature or condicion soo ever they be of, or what cause or matter soo ever they concerne, shalbe made and had by the parties greved or havyng cause of appele after suche maner forme and condicion as is lymyted for appeles to be had and prosecuted within this Realme in causes of matrimonye tythes oblacions and obventions, by a Statute therof made and established sythen the begynnyng of this present parliament, and accordyng to the forme and effecte of the seid estatute, any usage custome prescripcion or any thyng or thynges to the contrarye herof not withstanding. And for lacke of justice at or in any the Courtes of the Archebishops of this Realme or in any the Kynges Domynions, it shalbe lawfull to the parties greved to appele to the Kynges Majestie in the Kynges Courte of Chauncie, and that upon every suche appele a comission shalbe directed under the greate seale to suche psones as shalbe named by the Kynges Highnes hys heyres or successours lyke as in case of appele frome the Admyrall Courte, to here and dyffynytyvely determine suche appeles and the causes condyng the same; whiche Comissioners soo by the Kynges Highnes hys heires or successours to be named or appoynted shall have full power and auctorite to here and deffynytyvely determine every suche appele with the causes and all circumstaunces concernyng the same; and that suche jugemente and sentence as the seid Comissioners shall make and decree in and [apon'] any suche appele shalbe good and effectuell, and also dyffynytyve, and noo further appeles to be hade or made frome the seid Comissioners for the same.

IV.  
No Appeals to Rome; or otherwise than according to St. 14 Hen. VIII. chapter 12.

Appeals from Archbishop's Court to the Chancery, and to be determined by Commissioners to be appointed by the King.

AND yf any person or persons at any tyme after the seid feast of Easter, provoke or sue any maner of appeles, of what nature or condicion soo ever they be of, to the said Bishop of Rome or to the See of Rome, or do procure or execute any maner of pcesse from the See of Rome or by auctorite therof, to the derogacion or lett of the due execucion of this acte or contrarye to the same, that then every suche person or persons soo doing their aydours counsaylours and abbetours shall incurre and renne into the daungers paynes and penalties conteyned and lymyted in the acte of provysion and premunyre, made in the xvj yere of the Kynges moste noble pgenytoure Kyng Richarde the seconde agaynst suche as sewe to the courte of Rome agayne the Kynges crowne and prerogatyve Royalle.

V.  
Penalty on suing Appeals to Rome, &c. Premunire as under the Statute 16 Ric. II. cap. 5.

(<sup>1</sup>) PROVYDED alwaies that all maner of provocacions and appeales, here after to be had made or taken frome the jurisdiction of any Abbottes Pryours & other heddes and governours of Monasteries Abbeis Priories and other houses and places exempt, in suche cases as they were wont or moughte afore the making of this acte, by reason of grauntes or libties of suche places exempt, to have or make ymmedyatly any appele or provocation to the Byshop of Rome otherwyse called Pope, or to the See of Rome, that in all theis cases evy pson and persons havyng cause of appele or provocation shall may take and make their appeles and provocacions immedyatly to the Kynges Majestie of this Realme into the Courte of Chauncie, in lyke maner and forme as they used afore to do to the See of Rome; whiche appelles and provocacions soo made shalbe dyffynytyvely deffyned by auctorite of the Kynges comission in suche maner and forme as in this acte is above mencioned; soo that noo Archebishop nor Bishop of this Realme shall entermette or meddell with any such appelles otherwyse or in any other maner [then'] they mought have done afore the making of this acte; any thyng in this acte to the contrarye therof not withstanding.

VI.  
Appeals from all Places exempt shall be into Chancery, instead of to Rome.

PROVYDED also that suche canons constitucions ordynaunces and Synodals provynciall being allredy made, which be not contraryant nor repugnant to the lawes statutes and customes of this Realme nor to the damage or hurte of the Kynges prerogatyve Royall, shall mowe styll be used and executed as they were afore the making of this acte, tyll suche tyme as they be vewed serched or otherwyse ordered and deffyned by the seid xxxij persons or the more parte of theym, accordyng to the tenour fourme and effecte of this present acte.

VII.  
Present Canons, &c. shall remain in force till reviewed.

<sup>1</sup> and O.

<sup>2</sup> Courtes O.

<sup>3</sup> upon O.

<sup>4</sup> This and the succeeding Proviso are inserted in a Schedule annexed to the Original Act.

<sup>5</sup> than O.