
461. THOMAS BEDYLL TO CROMWELL.

This afternoon the Archbishop began his process in the King’s great matter, at which my lords of Winchester and Lincoln were present. As the late Queen did not appear either personally or by proxy, she was declared *contumax*. “Here were looked for witnesses to prove such words as the late Queen spake at the time of the execution of the citation against her, as Master Bryan and others, whose presence might have done much good for divers causes. Also it was looked for that my old lady of Norfolk and my lady Guildford should have been here this day, which can very well depose in this matter. Also here should have lacked the King’s Grace’s protestation, being, as I understood, in my lord Chancellor’s hands, if some had not been ready to make anew.” Trusts that, these lacks notwithstanding, the matter shall succeed according to the King’s expectation. Desires that the said ladies may be present at nine on Wednesday next, and that the judgment of Convocation and the Universities may be sent. “All things be here very quiet; [and as] far as I can understand, little communication is of [the late Queen’s coming here].” Few or none were present this day at the sitting. [Dunstable], 10 May.

Dr. Legh is to be here on Wednesday.